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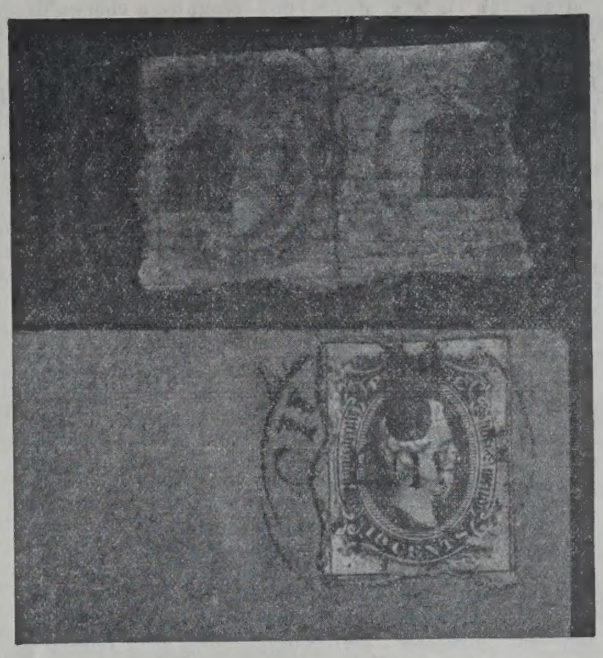

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210	2c, brown	.01	..	..
211	4c, green	.12	.10	.07
212	2c, green	.01	..	..
213	3c, vermilion	..	.40	.25
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COIL STAMPS OF THE UNITED STATES.

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CHAPTER XIII.

Statistical Notes.

Before closing this monograph on the official government coil stamps, statistical notes gleaned from the reports of the Director of the Bureau of Engraving & Printing and the Third Assistant Postmaster General will be of interest. In going over these figures, it must be remembered that when the report shows that certain stamps were issued in a certain year, it does not necessarily follow that the stamps so issued were actually produced during that current year. In fact, the Bureau always issues its oldest stock on hand, and when you read that so many 4c coils were issued in such a year, it does not follow that they must be the stamps then current. It must also be borne in mind, that when the reports specify stamps of a certain issue, they refer to the design only for the Bureau in keeping its records does not recognize a change in perforation or a change in watermark as a new series.

In these notes, two sets of figures are shown for the 1c coils for the years 1912 to 1913. The upper figures refer to the number issued of the 1908 design, while the lower figures are the 1911 design. All of these values since 1913, are of the latter design. During 1912, in addition to those specified, four coils of 500 stamps each of the 1c denomination design of 1912, were turned over to the National Museum for the official collection:—

Year ending June. 30.	1c DESIGN OF 1908. Coils.	Sheets.	Stamps.	2c DESIGN OF 1908. Coils.	Sheets.	Stamps.
1910*	20,605	109,065	10,906,500	42,032	219,685	21,968,500
1911	71,612	379,400	37,940,000	203,883	1,066,350	106,635,000
1912	76,301	410,675	41,067,500	234,801	1,255,025	125,502,500
	32,122	174,660	17,466,000	113,733	597,395	59,739,500
1913	8,785	43,930	4,393,000	368	3,590	359,000
	192,648	1,147,530	114,753,000	557,873	3,077,595	307,759,500
1914	319,348	1,944,960	194,496,000	881,695	4,961,890	496,189,000
1915	417,391	2,285,049	242,744,500	1,157,467	5,398,193	655,428,000
1916	465,828	1,616,912	267,376,500	1,442,005	4,867,777	814,561,000
1917	496,433	1,668,952	281,407,500	1,675,177	5,579,268	940,985,000
1918	526,193	1,753,741	296,068,000	849,434	2,848,917	481,338,000
1919	672,287	2,305,895	388,828,500	851,237	2,810,990	475,167,000
1920	760,126	2,584,881	437,404,030	2,538,022	8,525,647	1,445,553,000

Year ending June. 30.	3c DESIGN OF 1908. Coils.	Sheets.	Stamps.	4c DESIGN OF 1908. Coils.	Sheets.	Stamps.
1910				312	2,560	256,000
1911	297	2,235	223,500	292	1,610	161,000
1912	1,366	10,080	1,008,000	803	4,515	451,500
1913	2,248	12,270	1,227,000	2,032	10,540	1,054,000
1914	3,794	19,975	1,997,500	5,034	26,175	2,617,500
1915	5,897	29,460	2,946,000	7,466	37,615	3,761,500
1916	4,392	17,319	2,196,000	9,720	38,956	4,860,000
1917	6,677	19,638	3,338,500	12,113	35,774	6,081,500
1918	1,058,658	3,557,395	600,432,500	9,033	26,568	4,516,500
1919	982,101	3,314,768	561,246,000	4,420	13,000	2,210,000
1920	3,489	10,266	1,744,500	16,895	51,015	8,672,500

Year ending June. 30.	5c DESIGN OF 1908. Coils.	Sheets.	Stamps.	TOTAL COILS. All denominations.	PER CENT Increase.
1910	374	2,870	287,000	63,323*	
1911	201	1,005	100,500	276,285	557.13%
1912	78	390	39,000	459,204	71.54%
1913	2,076	10,390	1,039,000	766,030	72.44%
1914	2,412	12,160	1,216,000	1,212,283	58. %
1915	3,241	16,280	1,628,000	1,591,462	31. %
1916	2,963	12,572	1,486,500	1,924,908	21. %
1917	4,768	14,023	2,384,000	2,195,168	14. %
1918	6,710	19,735	3,355,000	2,450,028	11.61%
1919	7,429	21,850	3,714,500	2,517,474	2.73%
1920	12,196	35,871	6,098,000	3,330,728	32.30%

During 1908-09 the coil stamps were classified as ordinary stamps and no separate record kept.

* These figures are from the Director's report. The 3rd Assistant Postmaster General gives 42,144, as their records started with March 22d.

CHAPTER XIV.

Fakes and Other Oddities.

The fakes that were actually made in imitation of the government coil varieties to deceive the collector have been practically limited to the first issue, that is, the 1902 to 1903 design as well as to the 10c coil of the second issue. There have been numerous bogus copies of the so-called coil of 1908, 3c perforated 12, double line watermark, coiled both sidewise and endwise, but as the government never issued such a variety and as the stamp has been deleted from all responsible lists, we can forget this variety. As for the fakes of the first issue, these have been made by either trimming perforated copies or perforating the unperforated stamps. I have also seen some excellent fakes made from the booklet panes of these issues, for it will be recalled that these booklet panes from certain positions of the sheets had guide lines between the stamps and with the straight edge on one side of a strip the other side could be readily trimmed, and gives us what appears to be a line strip. These can be readily told for the booklet stamps of these issues had a double line watermark sidewise, whereas, the watermarks on the coils are always either straight or inverted. I have never seen a faked strip made from the unperforated stamp that could not be readily told by the peculiarities to be found in the government perforations due to the methods used in perforating sheets. I gave quite a few details regarding the distinguishing of the official work in a previous chapter, and will not go further into it at the present time. As for trimmed copies these are more difficult to distinguish,

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especially in the case of single copies, and I maintain that no one can definitely tell the good from the bad in single copies, consequently, if the strip does not show a guide line, it is necessary to know its antecedents in order to arrive at the conclusion as to its genuineness. Of course a line strip could not be made by trimming perforated copies, for it is at the guide line that the sheet stamps are cut apart.

I have seen fake stamps of all the varieties of the first series, the 10c of the 1908 series and the 1c and 2c of the 1910 varieties. There are on the market quite a few of these earlier varieties perforated 11½ and 12½ but these must not be confused with the official varieties which are one and all, in the case of the earlier issues, perforated 12.

Gibbons' *Stamp Circular* for February, 1918, mentions the 2c design of 1912, perforated 12, but this can be nothing more than a trimmed strip or one made from the unperforated sheet as the machines for perforating coils were changed from 12 to 8½ long before the die for the 1912 issue was even made.

The philatelic papers during the latter part of 1918, mention a pair of the 50c perf. 10 coiled sidewise cancelled St. Paul. I knew before I had the pleasure of inspecting this pair that it could not be a coil variety, for the government has never issued any other varieties than those mentioned in this article. A close inspection of the pair, however, showed that it was a straight edge pair trimmed at the bottom. I simply mention these two varieties in passing, for it is quite possible that they may come to light again at some future date.

Another fake that deserves more than passing mention is the 1c single line watermark, perforated 12, between every other pair. The *American Philatelist* for April 15, 1916, Vol. XXIX, No. 14, page 162, in speaking of this as a government issue says "Early in 1916, it was discovered that coils of the 1c No. 338b has been issued to a mailing firm in the West in imperforate pairs. About 630 stamps or 315 pairs, representing one and one-fourth coils, were offered to a dealer as the remnant of the lot issued to this mailing firm, the remainder having been used for business purposes. The writer has not been able to ascertain whether they were issued on order or through error in perforating. These imperforates have the usual guide line and joint every twenty stamps."

When this variety was first offered by two well known dealers I obtained a strip and sent it to the Bureau well knowing that such a coil could not have been made through error, and that if it was made by the Bureau, which it certainly did not appear to be, they would, of course, have records of changing the perforating machine. The Bureau stated absolutely, that the variety was not issued by them, and I gave full detail in a short article which appeared in the *Philatelic Gazette* for May, 1916, Vol. V. No. 81, page 147. Stanley Gibbons, Inc., listed the variety on page 30 of the first edition of their check list of Twentieth Century United States Stamps. I made several efforts to learn the history of this fake without results until one day I ran into two used strips bearing the cancellation of a small Texas town. As these strips came from the correspondence of a philatelist, and as I knew but one dealer in this small town, I assumed that they had been used by him, and consequently wrote to learn as to their history. Fortunately, I found that they had come from him, and he stated that he never supposed they were a government issue. It seems that the variety is made from the unperforated coil, and from what I am informed the work was done in Mexico. I have been told by a third party, whether the fact is true or not, I cannot say, that these were purposely made to sell at a good price to a certain dealer to pay off an old grudge. The variety never had a right to a place as even a private perforated stamp for a vending machine, much less an official government issue.

(To be continued.)

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We are able to announce that on Dec. 16 Mrs. Catherine L. Manning of Washington, was appointed philatelist in the U. S. National Museum to succeed the late Joseph B. Leavy. Mrs. Manning will enter upon the performance of her duties on January 3. The new "philatelist" is not a stranger to the task, for the original Museum work prior to Mr. Leavy's appointment was temporarily in her hands. H. F. Colman, her employer, loaned her services to the National Museum for the work in hand.

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By CHRISTOPHER WEST.

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Barber Match Co.

1c Blue.

This firm was a Buck-Eye State corporation which succeeded to the business previously operated by Barber & Peckham. Mr. O. C. Barber continued to be identified with it, and was still a power in the Diamond Match Co. at the time of his death in 1920. The following clipping is from the New York *Sun* of February 26, 1920.

"AKRON, OHIO, Feb. 25.—Leaving an estate valued at approximately $4,500,000, Ohio C. Barber, late 'match king' of Barberton, provided for a new institution to be known as the Ohio C. Barber Agricultural and Industrial School in his will, filed to-day."

The stamp used by the Barber Match Co. was the fourth die of the Buck-Eye series and was made from the die of Geo. & O. C. Barber by changing the firm name to that of the new corporation.

The Boston Book gives the following data:—

Die approved, May 7, 1867.
First issued, June 7, 1867.
Last issued, March 27, 1883.
22,709,931 issued on old paper.
66, 848, 874 issued on silk paper.
280,880,696 issued on pink and wmkd. paper.
210 stamps per sheet (14x15).

The total issue of this stamp, i. e., 370,839,501, represented a total net tax of three and a half million dollars for about sixteen years, or over $200,000.00 per year.

The first plates were made by Butler & Carpenter and all the stamps on old paper were printed in Philadelphia. Many of the silk stamps were also printed in Philadelphia. The remainder of the printings on silk paper, and all of those on pink paper were made by the National Bank Note Company of New York. Printings on watermarked paper were made by the National Bank Note Company, by the American Bank Note Company and by the Bureau of Engraving & Printing. Altogether there probably were in the neighborhood of 30 or 40 plates used for this stamp, and quite likely some of these plates were made by each of the various organizations who printed the stamps. In most cases it is impossible to identify the printings of many of the stamps on silk and watermarked paper. On rare occasions printings can be identified by imprints and there are no doubt specimens showing guide lines are Bureau printings. The imprint most frequently found is that of the National Bank Note Company of the first type.

At least one of these plates became badly worn before it was discarded, and specimens on which many of the finer lines of the design are very faint, or entirely missing, are occasionally seen. These occur on both silk and watermarked paper. One of the plates which shows the most signs of wear was probably re-entered as there are marked indications of shifting of certain parts of the design. On some of these stamps the shift is most noticeable in the words Middlebury, Summit Co. The colorless letters of these words are thinner on the re-entered designs than on the normal stamps.

There is no great variation in the shade of the Barber Match Co. 1c and most of the variation found is probably due to the condition of the plate and the impression, rather than to marked difference in the color of the ink. There is a lighter impression found on watermarked paper which has a suggestion of ultramarine, but this is certainly not the true ultramarine of 1869, and the writer has not seen a satisfactory copy of true ultramarine on old paper. The fact that the Barber stamp was printed in large quantities in 1869 and 1870 does not necessarily mean that it must have been printed in ultramarine. The ultramarine ink was in use only a very short time on match stamps, perhaps only a week or two, and it could readily happen that no 1c Barber plate was put to press just at that time.

This stamp is rarely found cancelled. The commoner cancellation is

BMCo
Ju 1867

This occurs both normal and inverted and there are several varieties of type, the capital letters of which vary from 1½ to 2 mm. tall. The only other overprint noted is

B M Co
April 1, 71

which also is in black and is placed vertically on the stamp. It is much larger than the previous surcharge and the capital letters are 3 mm. high. This overprint has been noted on silk paper, but as the silk paper did not come into use until about September 1, 1871, it probably also exists on old paper and was used for several months without changing the date.

The silk and watermarked Barber Match Co. 1c stamps are very common. The pink paper is scarcer and for many years fine specimens have sold at 25c to 40c each. The old paper is scarcer than the pink and has been quoted at 75c to $1.00 most of the time since 1896. Good copies sell around 50c, and 75c will often buy a fine copy.

The Barber stamp has been listed on watermarked paper rouletted ever since 1888. The price of this variety gradually increased from $5.00 to $25.00, which latter has been the figure since 1902. The writer has yet to see a copy which satisfies him as being perfectly genuine. There are copies in existence which appear to be rouletted—quite a few of them—but most of them are certainly faked from the common perforate stamp, and the others are questionable. Until a pair can be found it would seem better to class this rouletted stamp among the doubtful varieties.

3c Black.

The fifth stamp of the Buck-Eye series is a strip stamp and was made by altering the 3c die of Barber & Peckham. The only changes are in the curved labels at either side of the portrait, which now read "Barber" at left and "Match Co." at right.

The Boston Book gives the following data:—

Die approved, May 7, 1867.
First issued, July 8, 1867.
Last issued, November 24, 1875.
5,956,650 issued on old paper.
9,963,307 issued on silk paper.
44 stamps per sheet (2x22).

The stamp was engraved and printed by the Carpenter firm in Philadelphia, and the total number issued indicates there were six or more plates. Without doubt, those issued after August 31, 1875, were from the supply which Mr. Carpenter turned over to the Government upon the expiration of his contract. This supply amounted to 953,260 stamps and would have been amply sufficient to fill the requirements of the Barber firm after August 31, 1875.

The old paper variety of this stamp has tended to become scarcer and increase in value steadily. This is due partly to the small supply known to exist, and partly to the desire of collectors for more perfect specimens. Only a small proportion of the stamps on old paper are without defects, and as the stamp has been advanced in price only 50c since 1901, the present quotation of $3.00 is moderate. The silk paper is much easier to obtain and when found is often in more satisfactory condition.

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BELGIUM—1850			
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1851			
6	10c	.15	.09
7	20c	.12	.07
1861			
10	10c	.10	.03
11	20c	.10	.03
12	40c	.75	.30
1863			
*13	1c	1.50	.70
14	10c	.08	.04
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16	40c	.30	.20
1866			
18	10c	.03	.02
20	30c	.20	.08
22	1fr	3.00	1.50
*24	1c	.50	.25
*27	5c	1.75	.70
1869			
28	1c	.02	.01
*30	5c	.35	.12
31	8c	1.75	.85
*32	10c	.40	.15
36	1fr	.30	.12
1875			
*37	25c	.85	.30
BELGIUM—1881			
*40	1c	.30	.14
1883			
45	10c	.08	.04
46	20c	.20	.06
1884			
49	1c	.02	.01
51	5c	.02	.01
52	10c	.01	.01
*53	25c	.15	.10
53	25c	.01	.01
54	1fr	.12	.05
1886			
55	2c	.02	.01
56	20c	.03	.01
57	35c	.08	.03
58	50c	.06	.03
*59	2fr	.30	.20
59	2fr	.30	.12
1893			
*60	1c	.02	.01
60	1c	.02	.01
61	2c	.05	.02
*62	2c	.03	.02
62	2c	.01	.01
63	5c	.01	.01
*64	10c	.10	.05
64	10c	.02	.01
65	20c	.03	.01
66	25c	.02	.01
67	35c	.05	.02
68	50c	.20	.08
1894			
*71	5c	.03	.02
71	5c	.05	.03
*72	10c	.04	.02
72	10c	.05	.03
73	25c	.15	.07
1896			
*74	5c	.03	.02
*75	10c	.06	.03
75	10c	.06	.03
*76	10c	.04	.02
1898			
78	50c	.06	.03
1900			
*79	10c	.08	.03
79	10c	.01	.01
81	2fr	.20	.05
1905			
82	1c	.01	.01
84	5c	.01	.01
BELGIUM—1905			
85	10c	.01	.01
86	20c	.03	.01
87	25c	.02	.01
89	50c	.08	.03
91	2fr	.20	.12
1912			
* 92	1c	.02	.01
* 93	2c	.02	.01
* 94	5c	.02	.01
* 97	35c	.08	.05
*100	1fr	.20	.08
102	5fr	1.00	.54
*103	10c	.02	.02
*104	20c	.12	.05
*105	25c	.03	.05
*107	40c	.12	.05
1915			
108	1c	.02	.01
109	2c	.02	.01
110	5c	.02	.01
111	10c	.02	.01
112	15c	.03	.02
114	25c	.02	.02
117	50c	.06	.05
118	1fr	.10	.06
121	10fr	.75	.70
Charity, 1910			
*242	2c	.04	.01
*243	5c	.08	.03
*244	10c	.15	.05
*245	1c	.03	.01
*246	2c	.04	.01
*247	5c	.08	.03
*248	10c	.15	.05
1911			
253	1c	.05	.02
1914			
*261	5c	.10	.03
*262	10c	.12	.03
*263	20c	1.00	.26
*264	5c	.40	.10
*265	10c	.40	.10
*266	20c	1.00	.25
1915			
*268	10c	.06	.03
*269	20c	.10	.04
Post. Due, 1870			
*381	10c	.20	.10
381a	10c	.35	.17
382	20c	.25	.12
Belg., Post. Due			
1895			
383	5c	.05	.02
384	10c	.10	.04
385	20c	.03	.01
386	50c	.30	.12
387	1fr	.60	.28
1900			
388	10c	.04	.02
*389	50c	.25	.12
*390	1fr	.35	.17
Parcel Post, 1879			
501	10c	.18	.07
502	20c	.35	.17
503	25c	.30	.13
505	80c	.50	.24
506	1fr	.30	.13
1882			
509	20c	.30	.12
511	50c	.04	.02
512	80c	.08	.02
513	80c	.10	.06
1895			
516	10c	.04	.01
517	15c	.20	.10
518	20c	.05	.02
519	25c	.08	.03
520	50c	.03	.01
521	60c	.03	.02
522	80c	.04	.02
524	1fr	.04	.02
525	2fr	.10	.05
1902			
526	30c	.05	.02
527	40c	.05	.02
528	70c	.04	.01
529	90c	.05	.02
*530	10c	.02	.01
*531	15c	.02	.01
*532	20c	.02	.01
*533	25c	.02	.01
*534	30c	.02	.02
*535	40c	.02	.01
*536	50c	.02	.01
*537	60c	.02	.01
*538	70c	.02	.01
*539	80c	.02	.01
*540	90c	.02	.01
*541	1fr	.02	.01
*542	1fr	10c .02	.01
*543	2fr	.02	.01
*544	3fr	.02	.02
Belgium, 1912			
*545	35c	.02	.02
*545a	55c	.02	.02
546	4fr	.10	.05
*547	5fr	.08	.02
*548	10fr	.03	.03
1915			
*549	10c	.05	.02
*550	15c	.06	.03
*551	20c	.08	.03
*552	25c	.10	.03
Occupation, 1916			
*713	3c	.02	.01
*714	5c	.02	.01
*715	7½c	.03	.02
*716	10c	.03	.01
716	10c	.02	.01
*718	20c	.06	.02
*719	30c	.08	.03
1917			
*727	15c	.04	.02
*728	20c	.10	.03
723	1fr	25c .65	.28
BENADIR			
* 19	20c	1.00	.25
*102	15c	.35	.10
BENIN—1893			
* 21	2c	.15	.08
* 22	4c	.18	.10
1894			
* 33	1c	.08	.04
* 34	2c	.10	.07
* 35	4c	.12	.08
* 36	5c	.15	.08
* 37	10c	.35	.18
BERMUDA—1865			
1	1p	.50	.21
2	2p	.85	.34
* 3a	6p	.50	.20
1873			
6	3p	3.00	1.40
* 7	1sh	1.00	.40
1880-93			
* 16	4p	.25	.12
* 17	1p	3.00	1.40
* 18	2p	1.50	.70
* 19	½p	.06	.03
* 20	1p	.15	.14
* 21	2p	.30	.11
BERMUDA—1884			
* 22	2½p	.20	.11
22	2½p	.06	.02
* 23	3p	.35	.15
* 24	1sh	1.00	.40
* 25	1f	.04	.03
1904			
* 30	4p	1.25	.45
1906			
34	2½p	.75	.30
1908			
39	4p	.35	.15
1910			
* 40	½p	.02	.02
41	½p	.02	.01
42	1p	.02	.01
44	2½p	.08	.03
War Tax, 1918			
*101	1p	.35	.10
BOLIVIA			
* 3	5c	15.00	4.00
* 15	5c	.12	.07
* 16	10c	.50	.25
24	1c	.05	.03
26	5c	.08	.03
27	10c	.06	.03
* 47	1c	.05	.03
* 52	50c	.25	.13
* 53	1b	.50	.25
* 64	5c	.20	.11
BOSNIA—1879			
* 1	½n	.06	.04
1	½n	.06	.04
* 2	1n	.06	.03
2	1n	.06	.03
* 4	2n	.06	.04
4	2n	.06	.04
* 5	3n	.08	.07
* 6	5n	.03	.02
* 7	10n	.08	.06
7	10n	.05	.03
* 8	15n	.15	.09
* 9	20n	.15	.09
*10	25n	.20	.12
1900			
*11	1h	.02	.01
*12	2h	.02	.01
*13	3h	.02	.01
*14	5h	.02	.01
14	5h	.02	.02
*15	6h	.03	.02
*16	10h	.02	.01
BOSNIA—1900			
16	10h	.02	.02
*17	20h	.15	.12
17	20h	.05	.03
*18	25h	.04	.03
*19	30h	.30	.14
*20	40h	.30	.17
*21	50h	.05	.03
21	50h	.05	.03
*22	1k	.05	.04
*23	2k	.10	.08
*24	5k	.40	.15
1901			
*25	20h	.03	.03
*26	30h	.04	.04
*27	35h	.05	.05
*28	40h	.05	.05
*29	45h	.05	.05
29	45h	.05	.05
1906			
*30	1h	.03	.02
30	1h	.03	.02
*31	2h	.03	.02
31	2h	.03	.02
*32	3h	.03	.02
32	3h	.03	.02
*33	5h	.03	.02
33	5h	.02	.01
*34	6h	.03	.02
34	6h	.03	.02
*35	10h	.03	.02
35	10h	.02	.01
*36	20h	.05	.03
*37	25h	.08	.06
*38	30h	.08	.05
*39	35h	.10	.06
*40	40h	.10	.06
*41	45h	.10	.06
*42	50h	.10	.06
*43	1k	.25	.12
*44	2k	.40	.15
*45	5k	1.00	.48
1910			
*46	1h	.05	.03
*47	2h	.05	.03
*48	3h	.05	.03
*49	5h	.05	.03
*50	6h	.06	.03
*51	10h	.07	.04
*52	20h	.12	.06
*53	25h	.20	.09
*54	30h	.20	.10
BOSNIA—1910			
*55	35h	.25	.12
*56	40h	.25	.13
*57	45h	.30	.14
*58	50h	.35	.17
*59	1k	.50	.23
*60	2k	1.00	.47
*61	5k	2.00	.96
1912			
*62	12h	.30	.21
*63	60h	.50	.35
*64	72h	.60	.60
1916			
*86	3h	.02	.02
86	3h	.02	.02
*87	5h	.02	.02
*88	6h	.03	.03
*89	10h	.04	.03
*90	12h	.05	.03
*91	15h	.05	.04
*92	20h	.20	.14
*93	25h	.08	.06
*94	30h	.08	.06
*95	40h	.25	.17
*96	50h	.10	.07
*97	60h	.12	.09
*98	80h	.12	.09
*99	90h	.18	.13
*101	2k	.30	.21
*102	3k	.40	.28
*103	4k	.60	.38
*104	10k	1.25	.84
1917			
*105	3h	.02	.02
*106	5h	.02	.02
*107	6h	.02	.02
*108	10h	.03	.02
*109	12h	.03	.03
*110	15h	.04	.03
*111	20h	.06	.04
*112	25h	.08	.06
*113	30h	.08	.06
*114	40h	.10	.06
*115	50h	.12	.07
*116	60h	.15	.09
*117	80h	.18	.10
*118	90h	.20	.12
*119	2k	.30	.23
*120	3k	.45	.42
*121	4k	1.00	.56
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NOTES ON EARLY POSTAL ACTIVITES IN CANADA.

By H. M. MACLEAN.

The Canadian Postal service began in 1750 and at that time was part and parcel of the system that came under control of Benjamin Franklin, then Deputy P. M. General of North America, with a salary of $1500 *per annum*. In 1774, Franklin was recalled and the stand that he took when the war of Independence broke out eliminated him from our story.

In the eighteenth century, up to the year 1780, there was only one post a month from Quebec to Montreal, but this was changed to a semi-weekly service in 1780.

Mails from Lower Canada to Upper Canada were dispatched from Montreal about once a month to Prescott, situated on the St. Lawrence River. From this place they were relayed to Kingston on Lake Ontario or on to York (now Toronto). The distance from Montreal to Prescott, some 98 miles, was generally covered by stage or courier, but sometimes was sent by ship and canoe, as is evidenced by a cover sent in 1803 to Augusta Post Office stamped SHIP in orange, rate 9 pence.

The first P. M. of Augusta Post Office was John Jones, who received his appointment in the year 1798.

At this time there were Post Offices at the following places, with rates from Prescott, as follows:

East Williamsburg,	4½d
Smiths Falls—30 miles,	4½d
Packenham,	1/0
London, Ont.,	1/2
Port Sarnia,	1/4
Kingston—55 miles,	4½d
Hick's Corners,	4½d
York,	1/1
Kempville,	4½d
Niagara,	1/4
Warrenville,	9d
Ramsey,	7d
Bye Town (Ottawa),	9d

One cover is noted stamped in orange "Sailing Packet" from Bye Town (Ottawa) to Prescott.

Carleton Place,	1/2
Perth,	4½d
Belleville,	4½d
Etc.	

The above, of course, are not nearly all the stations that were open, but we quote these to show rates and comparison.

A letter mailed from Halifax to Prescott cost 1/4d in the year 1808, and Quebec to Augusta, 1/2d in 1834.

Various stamps and various colored inks were used, for instance:

Hick's Corners, orange.
(York, or "City of Toronto"), black.
Quebec, orange.
Kempville, orange.
Belleville, black.
London, orange, etc.

Many curious and various stamps were used, as in Warrenville, as late as 1859 (8 years after stamps were issued) a paid stamp was used, showing a plain large letter 3 inside a small circle. Smith Falls in 1852 used a somewhat similar rate stamped envelope with the words "Paid 3d" printed in two lines enclosed in a circle.

We also note one example of a cover posted from the U. S. via Niagara bearing the following: "American Postage Carriage Forwarded."

In 1845 Montreal used a stamp "Montreal, Paid," year, Canada, printed in five lines in orange, also a Government business stamp FREE. Montreal, a little later, changed her stamp to read "PAID 3" in a single line for ordinary letters.

Another curious cover is one from Montreal marked "Special courier" and stamped in large orange lettering: "Money Letter.—1848."

Evidence also goes to show a regular line of packets between York (Toronto) and Prescott, as we have seen covers which passed over this route stamped "Ship"; one was dated 1803 and the rate was 2/4d.

Many and varied are the examples existing and space does not allow of our giving a detailed check list. The difficulties and dangers that were associated with mail carrying in the olden days are hardly comprehensible to the present generation, but it is due partly to this humble start that we have the great system of today, co-operating with all countries.

PRECANCEL PARAGRAPHS.

By FREDERICK ALLEN.

Marshalltown, Iowa, Type 1, appears on the 2c Pilgrim in normal and reading-down positions. It is stated that there were only 40 surcharged in the former position, while there are several thousand of the latter.

A clerk in the post-office at Kansas City, Kans., informed a friend of mine that the 1c Pilgrim had not been precancelled by that office, which is contrary to a recent report.

A rare Victory hails from Kearney, Nebr. Kearney has used two distinct types of this issue. First, a rubber stamp similar to U-8, and secondly, a neat electro. The rubber printed stamps are very rare, as but a few reached the hands of collectors. The electros are somewhat more plentiful, but still retain a degree of exclusiveness. The 1c Pilgrim has been precancelled in the U-8 type, reading up, and if you do not believe these to be few and far between, just try to annex one to your collection of Pilgrims.

The Knoxville precancels spoken of last month are claimed to be O. K. by the Assistant Postmaster.

New Ulm, Minn., appears on the current issue in a rubber-stamped overprint similar to U-1.

Rahway, N. J., has precancelled the Victory and Pilgrim issues with a handstamp similar to U-13. I have seen the Victory with normal and inverted positions, the 1, 2, 5c Pilgrim in the normal, the 1c and 5c inverted, and 2c down. They are purported to be very scarce.

New Pilgrims are Grand Rapids 2c normal, Seattle, Wash., 2c normal, Glens Falls, N. Y., 2c down, Waukesha, Wis., 1, 2, 5c down, and Pawtucket, R. I., 1c double normal.

Lemont, Ill., appears on the 1c in a pretty electro which is a mate to Brooklyn's new type.

Rockland, Mass., and Shelby, Ohio, are new towns using precancels. Rockland is U-11, while Shelby has a type similar to U-16.

Whitman, Mass., 1c comes in red ink.
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EDITORIAL.

Point—One of our oldest readers has sent us an interesting letter which contains a sage observation or two. He says that in his estimation there is just one way to spread the gospel of philately, and that is not by lip-service but by taking the time to explain the attractions of collecting and by illustrating the remark by stamps themselves, to persons who are in one's circle of friends and acquaintances. While love's labor will be lost in the majority of cases, he says, yet here and there the arrow will hit the bull'seye. We commend the opinion of our correspondent and say that his words call for action, as it is true that many of us do not properly cultivate the philatelic possibilities near at hand; and we must amend our ways. However, we disagree with the idea that printed publicity is not a valuable adjunct, as we have found that collectors have been made through press notices and descriptive articles. While we believe in the idea of personal contact, we know that other methods have their effectiveness.

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Asked—Why are collectors so often told to proclaim the merits of philately broadcast is a question that comes occasionally from those who think that undue insistence is placed upon the necessity for gaining converts. Of course there is a material background for this repetition as the upbuilding of philately is to the advantage of all by stabilizing stamp values and strengthening the pursuit otherwise. Yet we wager that the missionary work is done in great part by those who are above selfish considerations and who have no thought of any personal gain. The answer to the question is that with not a few collectors the satisfaction that they have in collecting is enhanced when they try to share it with others. They are of that proper mould that allows them to find happiness in trying to make others pleased. A firm faith in philately predisposes one to talk convincingly in its favor.

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Cover—Elsewhere, we hope to illustrate an interesting doubled ten cent "outer line" Confederate that was discovered by Mr. Edward S. Knapp, who for some time has been studying this ten cent with frame lines in all its suggestions. It is true that Mr. Knapp has gathered together a host of the stamps in question, speaking comparatively, but the scope of his inquiries enlarges in ratio to the quantity of material that he may examine. We shall have occasional notes from Mr. Knapp on Confederates whose historical phases by no means have been exhausted and in this connection we think that it would be fair for us to ask readers who have ten-cent outer lines in particular, to submit them to Mr. Knapp for purposes of completing his record so far as possible. Mr. Knapp certainly will give all such specimens proper treatment. The name is Edward S. Knapp; and the address is 158 East 64th street, New York City.

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Fraud—An interesting letter has come from Buenos Ayres telling of a highly disastrous postal fraud that has been perpetrated at the expense of the Argentine authorities. It is said that the five-cent stamp with portrait of General San Martin, is no longer available for postage, because of the Counterfeiting on a large scale of the stamp at the expense of the government. In fact, we read that the stamp has been withdrawn from circulation; and it would seem that the ranks of the stamps that were made for the purpose of defrauding the postal authorities has received an accession.

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Worry—It is hoped that the controversies that have been occasioned by the consignment of approval lots to collectors and others in this country by some of the dealers of central Europe are being adjusted. The stamps were sent unsolicited and in some instances were directed to old addresses, thus complicating the transaction. A good many collectors feel strongly on the question of unsolicited approvals and do not abate from their decision not to return them when postage for the purpose is not enclosed. In the lapse of time, it is reasonable to suppose that some of the lots become mislaid and some even lost; and the result is general dissatisfaction, to put it mildly. It would be interesting to measure in dollars and cents the total losses that have been sustained by the venturesome dealers, who, in some instances, acted in good faith. We are tired of receiving intimations that the American collectors have suffered greatly through this fiasco as we know that in some instances our buyers here, in order to keep the slate clean, went to some expense to return unwanted lots. The hap-hazard methods of the senders invited the disaster that resulted and in the aggregate what may be called natural causes are to be blamed for the disappearance of some of the stamps.

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Cause—In the Chicago newspapers there appeared recently a news item that caught the eye of collectors in particular. We quote from the *Post* of that city. Under the head, "Time, Money for Stamps; Neglects Family, Charge," were the lines: "Charging that her husband, an insurance broker, spends her money and his own for additions to his stamp collection, Mrs. Edith R. Eagleston, 1443 East 69th street, filed suit for divorce today. She says her husband devotes his evenings to his stamps, never entertaining his family." Mr. Eagleston is a member of the Chicago Philatelic Society, we may add, and the charges preferred, which his friends hope will be refuted, came as a surprise. We shall not comment upon this case but it should be known that this is not the first time that stamps were blamed for the "breaking up of the home." Once before there was a suit instituted by a wife on the score that the collector-husband wasted his money on stamps but we have forgotten the outcome of it. On the other hand, there are scores of wives who speak of stamps as a contributing cause of happiness in the home. Philately is essentially an in-door recreation and the confirmed collector has little inclination to wander from his own fire-side. Further, the collector is apt to be a human sort of chap who is disposed to treat his partner all the more liberally in every way as a reward of wifely toleration for his pets. One collector says that he matches the amount of money spent for stamps as a gift to his wife. However, the day is gone when the stamp collection is to be regarded only as a liability and the wise husband is he who explains to his wife the value of his stamp possessions and takes steps to prevent their dissipation after death. While we do not advise that stamps should take the place of life insurance by any means, it is possible to conserve the value of the collection by proper provisions for its sale, after death, to the comfort of the widow.

APPREHENSION OF PARKER.

Our news story last week dealing with the arrest of one Burton Parker on account of the alleged use of the mails to defraud contained the name of Elliott Perry. It appears that Parker used the stationery of the Winchester Repeating Arms Co., New Haven, Conn. He addressed his letter to Mr. Perry to Plainfield, N. J., instead of Westfield. The letter was therefore returned to New Haven and the correspondence was placed in the hands of a P. O. Inspector. The arrest of Parker followed, the letter to Perry being used as evidence that the mails were apparently being employed in an attempt to defraud. The alias used was J. D. Anderson.

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Without consulting our friend who has contributed frequently to our columns, we take the liberty of having a halftone made from a snapshot enclosed in a recent letter. It may be a stamp book that Mr. Hill is so industriously engaged in perusing. Anyway, he is very much engrossed, as is evident from his studious pose.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited, as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—The Beaver Dam, Wis., post-office, began the use of precancelled stamps Dec. 19. of all denominations from 1c to $1. The cancellation on the 1c stamp shows the name of the city and state on two lines respectively, horizontally, with heavy rules above and below.

—There is a letter at this office for D. L. Hurwitz. Please communicate with us. Our mail list is not arranged alphabetically, hence our inability to locate subscribers' addresses.

—At the recent election of the Electric Club of Philadelphia, held in December, Philip H. Ward, Jr., was elected president.

—Allen Sears, Inc., 507 Kemper Bdg., Kansas City, Mo., has just issued a fine pricelist of stamps, packets, sets, albums and supplies, featuring especially the new album recently placed on the market by this firm. The pricelist is well printed and will be sent free of charge together with a new perforation gauge that the firm is now distributing.

—Edwin P. Seebohm sets a good example to our dealer friends by sending in new subscriptions in a lump form to the value of $5. Is it any wonder that we are willing to quote this paragraph from the letter accompanying the remittance:—

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—We have received an announcement giving particulars of the birth of a son, Edward Maurice Loly, to Mr. and Mrs. Victor G. Loly. Congratulations.

—J. Cavalos kindly submits a specimen of a Greek Red Cross stamp, showing a wounded soldier with one arm in a sling against a background of a cross in red. The stamp is printed in four colors, black, orange, red and blue and is a handsome production. The value is 5 lepta and it has no postal standing.

—Our reference to D. O. Tubbs on page 709 calls forth from C. F. Richards the comment that he was reported as "bad" in the Protective Bulletin, July 11.

—We have received a clipping from the Minneapolis *Journal* which features Victor W. Rotnem, who has done a great deal in creating an interest in the collecting of precancelled stamps. The article pictures Mr. Rotnem as poring over his album of freak stamps and no fewer than twelve freak stamps are illustrated. All in all, the article gives Mr. Rotnem a good deal of favorable publicity.

DEATH OF ROBERT BOWEN.

Herbert Bowen, a well-known Detroit attorney and philatelist, died Dec. 17. His funeral was held on Dec. 20. He had been ill for some years.

The death of Mr. Bowen removes from the city one of its best known philatelists, whose collecting interest goes back many years and during which time he had collected a wonderful lot of stamps, including many choice and unique varieties. As a side-line he specialized in tax paids of all kinds.

Some years ago, when the late Henry B. Smith had a stamp and coin store on Randolph Street, Mr Bowen was a regular visitor and many a collector will testify to his sympathetic interest in the younger collector and his philatelic work.

He was a member of the A.P.S. and served on its official board some years ago. He was one of the organizers of the Detroit Philatelic Society and was a member of the U. S. Revenue Society. Mr. Bowen was seventy-seven years old and for fifty-five years had been a practising attorney, coming to Detroit in 1866, where he became an authority on real estate. He contributed largely to the Public Library and a branch of the same bears his name. He was a member of the Prismatic and Acanthus Clubs. He leaves a widow and four children.

We are indebted to Mr. Boers for the above information and he expresses the great loss that Detroit has experienced in the death of Mr. Bowen, also Mr. Cornell recently noted.

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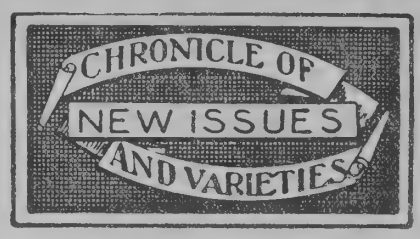

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—In my Chronicle for last week I described the new 1c plates being turned out by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing in accordance with an invention covered by a patent granted to the Chief Engraver, Mr. George U. Rose, Jr. These plates are classified by the Bureau as "ordinary-electro" and it is claimed that impressions from these plates cannot be distinguished from the work from the steel engraved article.

I have before me a copy of the letters patent granted Mr. Rose under date of November 22, 1921, which bears number 1,397,785 and if any of our readers desire copies they may be obtained by sending ten cents in cash to the Commissioner of Patents, Washington, D. C. Remember, however, that the Patent Office will not accept stamps in payment but must have cash or a money order.

The patent is granted under the heading of "Electrotype Material and Method of Forming Same", and we are told that the invention relates generally to electrotype materials and more particularly to materials from which printing plates are made, the inventor's object being the provision of a material which may be electro-deposited and which will compare favorably in strength and durability with the hardened steel plates now being used by the Bureau.

As I have explained in a previous Chronicle printing plates heretofore have been made by what is known as the transfer process, each plate being made from a roller which has previously received its impression from a master die. Each printing plate must be so fashioned from a roller and then hardened before use and the process involving as it does, considerable hand work and skill, is both expensive and time consuming to such an extent that plates at the Bureau cannot, under the former method, be finished in the required number.

The electro-depositing process of forming printing plates is known and according to this process a previously transferred plate is used for electro-deposition of a positive plate by the subsequent use of which any number of negative printing plates may be made.

Heretofore copper generally has been used involving but a single transfer but it is found that plates made in this way have a very limited demand because they are not of sufficient strength to permit of their use for the printing of stamps and the like, where impressions are to be made in considerable number.

Mr. Rose's method aims to produce by electro-deposition a plate that will compare favorably in strength with hardened steel. He finds through observation that the weakness of the electro-deposited copper is due to the greatly increasing crystals formed in the metal as the deposit thickens. He therefore varies the known method to the extent that copper is electro-deposited in separate layers, 10 to the full thickness of the material and in such a manner that each new layer breaks up the growth of these crystals. He also finds that by interposing between these copper layers a different material, such as nickel, that he can add to the tensile strength of the finished product by virtue of the relatively greater strength of nickel.

Twelve claims are allowed Mr. Rose by the Commissioner of Patents, but as these are purely legal it is useless to reproduce them here.

Mention has been made in this column before of the fact that during September, 1921, quite a few plates turned out for producing the 2c off-set or surface printed stamps had been cancelled without going to press. Several of our readers have asked for a list of these plates and consequently the information is herewith given. Plates 13144, 13146 to 13155, as well as 13165 to 13168, were all cancelled on September 16, 1921. On September 19th, eleven more, from 13169 to 13177 in addition to 13179 were cancelled. On the following day 13180 to 13193, with the exception of 13186, were cancelled. Accordingly only twelve plates, between numbers 13144 to 13193, ever went to press, these twelve being 13145, 13156 to 13164 inclusive, 13178 and 13186. Consequently these twelve are the last 2c off-set plates used and plate 13186 is the one that every specialist will want for it is the last plate used by the Bureau made by this method.

The Scott Stamp and Coin Company has shown me a most unusual block, no doubt unique, of the 30c 1869, on double paper. It is a block of eight (4 x 2) from the northwest corner showing margins at top with the imprint of the "National Bank Note Company" and margins at the left. The block which has full gum is without grill and is in a deep color similar to the ungrilled variety of the same stamp, Scott's No. 121a. This will probably rank as a variety of No. 121a and it is possibly one of the earliest experiments of the National Bank Note Company with double paper.

ALBANIA.—The *Bulletin Mensuel* announces the following stamps of the 1920 issue, with the surcharge "Besa": 2q, 5q, 10q, 25q, 50q and 1f.

AUSTRALIA.—Mr. R. Roberts advises of the appearance of the ½d postage due stamp perforated 14.

BAVARIA.—Mr. E. J. Crawford calls our attention to a pair of 50pf stamps that he has, No. 262, in which one of the copies has acquired a "fox tail" ornament which entirely hides the "5" in "50".

COLOMBIAN REPUBLIC.—Mr. A. H. Shisler writes as follows: "I have just received a new variety of this country. The value is 3c and is rather bright green in color. Republic de Colombia at the top, value in small circles at each side beneath, Correos reading up and L. Nacionales reading down, R. Tres centavos at bottom. The centre is similar to type A93 with six small stars above bird's head. The wording Provisional is in a tablet same as type A120. All figures and numerals are white except Provisional."

DANZIG.—The *Bulletin Mensuel* chronicles a set of three stamps evidently of a charity nature as they have the words "Tuberkulose Woche" at the base and we are informed sold at double their nominal value. The values are 30p green and orange, 60p carmine and bistre and a 1m20p blue and yellow. The latter value is of the same design but somewhat larger in size.

DENMARK.—The *Stamp Inn* calls our attention to the 60ö stamp which is now being printed in a greenish blue shade.

DOMINICA.—Mr William M. McFarlan advises that the 1½d stamp mentioned in a recent issue is a regular issue with wording at the base "1½d One Penny Half Penny 1½d". The figures are in each lower corner.

ICELAND.—Mr. W. T. Wilson has shown us the 25a of the Christian IX stamp surcharged "20 aur." in two lines in black. Also the following values of the Christian X type in the new Postal Union Colors: 10a green, 25a red and 40a indigo.

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MAURITIUS.—The 6c carmine and 15c blue have been issued on the script watermarked paper.

RAROTONGA.—Messrs. A. Powell & Co. inform us that the current N. Z. 2sh, 3sh 6d, 5sh, 10sh and 20sh have been overprinted RAROTONGA, and were issued at Auckland on 22-9-21. This is really a bit too hot.—*Australian Phil. Record.*

SWEDEN.—Mr. R. Roberts sends the following regarding new issues of this country: "Sweden Rotary Press imperforate and perforate 10, King Hakon in profile facing to left: 40ö blue and 60ö slate".

VIRGIN ISLANDS.—*Stamp Collecting* reports that a full supply of stamps for this colony, of a new design, have been ordered. The set comprises the following denominations: ½d, 1d, 2d, 2½d, 4d, 5d, 6d, 1sh, 2sh 6d and 5sh.

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PHILATELIC COMMENT.

By R. ROBERTS.

New Issues.—The New Issues of British Colonials have been more plentiful of late owing to the changes taking place in the papers and watermarks of many K.G. issues which have synchronised with the advent of several new line engraved, pictorial and other new plates which have of necessity been made.

The New Script.—There are a few people who aver that these new issues, pictorial and otherwise, are "made for collectors, unnecessary and so forth," but I would remind these popular plagiarists that everything that is used for any length of time has a tendency to wear out, even dandy rolls, and the old multiple C.A. paper has been in use since 1904—some 17 years' service—and when it is considered that the same dandy roll is used for the watermarks of *all* the mult. C.A. paper, for *all* the Crown *Colonies*. Who can in this respect accuse the authorities of extravagance in ordering a new one.

"Well done, good and faithful Dandy Roll," would be more appropriate, if we did know how many tons of paper had passed over this poor frail frame of wire and received the impress of its forms during this lengthy period.

Perhaps some statistician could add to the laurels of the Dandy Roll by calculating the distance that would be covered by a line formed of the stamps that have been issued multiple C.A., placed end to end vertically.

How many times would this roll variety encompass the earth—(no prize is offered for the solution).

To the old, let us breathe our "Requiescat," and to the new a welcome royal, "Le 'roll' est mort, Vive le roll!"

But the plagiarist says, if a new Dandy roll was necessary why not make one the same as the old. Change, whether for better or worse, is but a step onwards.

It might have been attempted to make a new watermark similar to the old, but the chances are that had this been done some enterprising philatelist would have discovered that the angle of the "A" in the new one differed from that of the old by "n" degrees, which would have caused collectors much strain on the temper and patience and eyesight, there are no varieties more difficult to detect than minute differences in watermark. So really the collector has something to be thankful for in that the new watermark cannot be confused with the old. A really providential fact.

The duty plates of many Colonial stamps are also showing signs of wear, which is really not surprising—some having been in use over thirty years; the Queen Victoria *head plate* having been substituted in turn by those of King Edward and King George, the same frame plate being used through the three reigns in combination with the three different head plates, *e.g.*, Leeward Is., etc.

Some of the line engraved plates are also rather worn, as the same duty plates are sometimes used with different head plates, *e.g.*, the new Queen Salote Tabou head plate on Tonga has been substituted to the old head of King Geo. II, with the same frame plates in the 2d, 2½d, 5d, 7½d, 10d and 1/- values. Another economy in Department circles which is quite refreshing.

When all of these facts are taken into consideration one rather doubts if the criticisms as to the unnecessary issues of some Colonials are quite justifiable.

Meanwhile the steady stream of new script watermarks and provisional papers continues slowly but surely—it is just as well for our pockets that they do not come all at once—the deliberate movements of the postal authorities have at least one compensating advantage.

New Stamps with old Watermark.—Many new shades of K.G. stamps and Peace Commemoration issues have synchronised with the advent of the new watermarked paper and already have appeared with both watermarks; some of the old watermarked stamps thus appearing and having a very short life, must undoubtedly become scarce. Here again the critic butts in with, "Of course, done on purpose for the benefit of collectors," but meditation refutes this idea; I do not think those responsible for the issue of new stamps have any such tender feelings of consideration for the philatelist, and I would venture to submit that these issues in the two varieties of watermarks are purely circumstantial. There are no doubt small parcels of the old watermark paper to be used up as occasion offers and I doubt whether the custodian of the paper, when counting out the requisite number of reams for a new printing requisition, considers for a moment that there are such people as philatelists; it seems more probable that his attention is focussed upon how he can most easily get rid of the odd remnants of the paper for which he is responsible, so as to conveniently set his stock in order.

Change of Colours.—And then again rises the question of the new Postal Rates and the changing colours according with the Postal Union scheme It seems certain there will be colour changes as important in the King George issues as in those of the issues of King Edward—and there is no reason why some should not appreciate in the same proportion.

New Levants.—Unannounced of the recent new issues is the advent of the new set of Gt. Britain stamps surcharged for use in the Levant. The British Post Offices in Turkey having been closed since the entry of Turkey into the Great War, I am given to understand that all the old stocks of 1913 surcharges were withdrawn and afterwards destroyed, several values have become in consequence very scarce. After the armistice when the British Agencies P.O's were again opened, ordinary unsurcharged British stamps were for some time used.

Evidently some difficulty was experienced in fixing equivalent values in Turkish currency, owing to the fluctuation in the exchange value of the Turkish piastre. The British Post Office, however, apparently came to some decision and surcharged various British stamps on the basis of 360 piastres to the £1 sterling, which worked out at very curious fractional surcharges, the values being worked out at the rate of 1½ piastres to the 1d., i.e., 30 paras on ½d; 1½pt on 1d; 3¾pt on 2½d; 4½pt on 3d; 7½pt on 5d; 15pt on 10d and *18¾* on 1/-.

Why 18¾? But why the ¾ fraction should be tacked on to the 1/- value, it is difficult to fathom. The sum total of the original values of the ½d, 1d, 2½d, 3d, 5d = 1/-, the total of their surcharges ¾, 1½, 3¾, 4½, 7½ = 18; why the extra ¾ is tacked on I cannot guess. Is it an error, or is there an 18¾ special rate? 'Tis passing strange—this rate can also be formed by using together the 15/10 and 3¾/2½.

The higher denominations are quite normal, 45 on 2/6, 90 on 5/-, 180 on 10/-.

By the time the stamps were prepared and put on sale, the Turkish currency had depreciated to nearly 500 piastres to the £1 sterling, thus further complicating matters so that the surcharged stamps could be bought at considerably under the English equivalent

It remains to be seen whether further fluctuations in the exchange will necessitate some adjustment of this surcharge tangle.

Who knows—the 1905 issue without "piastre" surcharge may be repeated, i.e., British stamp with surcharge "Levant" only.

Such contingencies bid fair to create a lively demand for this new issue apart from the general popularity of all the issues of G. B. Levant.

Forthcoming Exhibition.—Some years have elapsed since the last great International Exhibition of Postage Stamps was held in London, under the auspices of the Junior Philatelic Society, in 1912.

Preparations are now well in hand for an even greater effort (if possible) of the J.P.S. In May, 1923, it is proposed to hold an International Exhibition in London, synchronising with the Tenth Philatelic Congress of Great Britain to be held in London and it is probable that the two philatelic functions will be combined. The various classes for Exhibits and awards will, I understand, be shortly announced so as to give collectors ample time to prepare and amplify their exhibits both at home and in the most distant parts of the globe.

Plating 1d Blacks.—A great many people have entered precipitately into this new phase of specialising, without duly considering what they are up against, i.e., a life's work to get anything like complete, and an outlay of thousands of pounds on one stamp.

There are twelve different plates of the 1d black alone, i.e., 2,880 minute differences of the same stamp, and to find these it means minutely examining with magnifying glass hundreds of thousands of stamps, and the chance of getting any quantity unpicked is getting more and more remote, the rare plates for which everyone is seeking become more elusive and more expensive. It is far from my wish to discourage the specialist in this somewhat interesting though rather monotonous pursuit, but to warn the general collector against adopting as a side-line a most tremendous task of "Specialism *in extremis.*"

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separately, as well as a good number in stock books.

"Specimen" Stamps.—Another phase of Philately which has recently been taken up quite strongly is the collection of stamps surcharged with the word "Specimen."

These are sample specimens which were sent out to the chief Postal Administrators of all countries in the Postal Union, for purposes of reference; when a new design, or change of colour, or surcharge, or any other obvious difference is made in the stamps of any country, if the P.O. deem the difference important.

No notice is taken of a change in wmk., for instance, specimen stamps of a K.E. single wmk. set would be distributed, but if the set was issued mult. C.A. in the same colours, it was not deemed necessary to send out these also with "specimen" surcharges.

Differences of perforation, dies, plates and minutiæ are not taken into consideration in the issues of specimen stamps.

Generally speaking only the first printings are thus surcharged and this is why one sees such remarkably fine shades of colour in specimen stamps, some of which are naturally quite rare in the ordinary issued stamps.

Their Rarity.—It is not generally recognised that "specimen" stamps are in the majority of cases much scarcer than the ordinary stamps in mint condition.

The usual number of sets up to 1/- which are surcharged "specimen" I understand to be about 1200. No single colony, however large or important, receives more than five sets of each.

The higher values are not nearly so numerous. Imagine the rarity of any ordinary issue of 1200 sets, how far would they go round even if all came on to the market. Most of them, however, are retained in official archives for reference purposes, and only those which are superfluous or not likely to be required actually come on to the market. It is probable, therefore, that with very few exceptions these specimen stamps are very, very much rarer than the stamps which are issued to the public. Why then do these specimen stamps fetch so little? Simply because collectors as a whole have not yet realised their true philatelic interest and value. A few pioneer collectors and specialists do and have done so for some years, it is only a question of time when the curious prejudice against them has subsided, that every serious collector will realise that here is a group of very collectible varieties full of philatelic merit, of considerable scarcity, to be had at very moderate cost, and then prices will begin to alter; they are starting points and form a solid basis for the specialist to work upon.

Misplaced Watermarks.—Too much importance seems to be attached nowadays to inverted watermarks, which are now much commoner than they used to be. As can be imagined, it is quite a frequent occurrence for the printer to insert an oblong piece of paper into the press on to an oblong plate upside down—it would fit the plate either upside down or the right way up, and in a dim light the wmk. is not always very distinct—but to get the wmk. sideways is not so easily accomplished even in the dark, an experienced printer could not put an oblong piece crossways on the plate (printers as a race being, I am told, total abstainers).

Sideways watermarks therefore are a much rarer occurrence, and for such an event to happen the stamps must be printed in some unusual manner on sheets of paper of a different shape and size.

Defects of this nature used previously to be rejected by the examining inspectors, but now for the sake of economy they are permitted to pass into use. Consequently inverted wmks. are comparatively quite common, but *sideways wmks.* are in fact quite scarce.

Pochettes.—"What are these pochettes?" writes a correspondent.

Pochettes are the *only real preventative* from friction, and take the place of the nuisance and disfigurement of the interleaf of tissue paper in albums.

Although tissue interleaving alleviates the suffering of delicately coloured and chalky surfaced stamps, it does not prevent it, even if stuck on the same side of the page as the stamps.

Japanese tissue paper on the back of the previous page is *absolutely useless,* it absorbs the colour and chalk worse than ordinary paper if there is the slightest friction in turning the pages over—*and there always is.*

To *prevent* this it is necessary to put delicate stamps in a glass case—and this is practically what a pochette is. It is a transparent case made to *exactly fit any stamp* that *exists.* It is not made of glass, but of a pliable material something like thin celluloid (but it is not so inflammable)—one can even see the watermark without taking the stamp out of its case—the hinge is stuck on to the back of the pochette instead of the stamp, the stamp remaining *absolutely mint and unhinged.* A page of unused stamps in pochettes looks even brighter and cleaner than without; they improve rather than detract from the appearance.

When one page rubs against another in turning over it is the pochette which bears the friction, and *not* the stamp inside, which remains "still" in relativity—see "accessories," page 16.

I am glad to say that their cost has been considerably reduced lately owing to being manufactured in larger quantities because of their growing popularity. It is only a matter of time when pochettes will have replaced tissue interleaves in every collection that is mounted carefully.

In a hundred years every chalky stamp that is not in a pochette will be unrecognisable.

The Ferrari Collection.—No philatelic notes however unassuming could be compiled without some reference to the sale by auction in Paris of the famous collection of this well-known eccentric.

I was present at the sale of the first portion of this huge collection made by the late Baron von Ferrari or Monsieur Phillip La Renotiere, which was the name he assumed when he adopted Paris as his home and French as his nationality—he being an Austrian by birth and descent.

Selections of this vast collection are now being very artfully manipulated by auction, in small but rich doses to Philatelists, and astounding prices out of all reason in many cases were the result of the first dose administered Standard or common Rarities realised at the first session double and three times the ordinary market prices, so great the excitement of the moment—whether the purchasers were equally satisfied with their achievements in the quiet solicitude of after contemplation is a secret for themselves alone—but the bidding was unreasoning and unreasonable, but there, Ferrari collections are not sold every day, so the National excitement of the French people is understandable.

Of course it is difficult to assess the value of gigantic pieces of such rarity as the pair of 2c Guiana, 2c Hawaii and things of this classical nature, of which only one or two are known, but terrific prices were realised at the first sale for such everyday rarities as the 4d Ceylon—which sells at and is worth about £40 to £50 in the London market, in a Ferrari sale fetches the equivalent of £120—things as a whole went at extraordinary prices.

I do not hesitate to assert that the same Ceylon stamp in any other sale at the same period would not have realised half the amount.

It is not surprising then that there was only one English buyer besides myself who secured anything at all, and I bought one stamp only—English people are not quite so excitable.

Practically all the lots of the first sale went to French buyers, and those responsible for the manipulation of the sale are to be congratulated upon the pitch of frenzy to which they worked up their compatriots. The total of the bids resulted in some 1,091,000 odd francs making with the 17½% tax which each purchaser has to pay *in addition to* his bid, over 1¼ million francs realised.

A fair amount of money to turn over in the course of three hours, equivalent to £27,570 sterling at the rate then prevailing.

In spite of new issues, Ferrari collections, General collections, specialised collections, there is still a steady popular demand for the stamps of G.B., especially really fine used specimens, not only in this country, but also abroad. Several of the items of the collection of reconstructed plates referred to elsewhere in this number, have been despatched some thousands of miles overseas, even as far as N. Zealand, U. S. A., Canada, etc. It is gratifying to know that philatelists abroad, and in the Colonies especially, do not overlook the stamps of the land which first introduced stamps to the world, over four score years ago.

Stop Press News.—Since writing the above, the second section of the Ferrari sale has taken place, the total realising some 2,171,132 francs. The prices remained very steady and fine things realised just as high prices as before. It was only with constant vigilance that one was able to buy a few lots at reasonable prices. Besides a few desirable single rarities I was able to secure th collections of *Cape of Good Hope Rec tangulars,* 1864-1904, which contain some most interesting pieces, blocks pairs, strips, etc., of the rarer surcharges including many scarce errors and va rieties, the greater part unused.

Also the fine collection of *Britis Guiana,* middle issues, from 1860 to 191 There are some very rare stamps in th unused stamps of 1860-75, of which thi lot is mainly composed.

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*New Caledonia 1892, 2c (14a)	25.00
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oNossi Be 1889, 25 on 40 (9)	12.50
oOldenburg 1852, ⅓s (4)	25.00
* 1861, ⅓g (12a)	20.00
o 1861, 1g (13)	10.00
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oRomagna 1859, 8b (8)	20.00
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o 1848, 5c (13)	20.00
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* 1896, 1sh (83)	5.50
* Off. 1896, Set ½d-1sh	12.50
* Off. 1896, 5sh (297a)	10.00
oTurks Is. 1881, 4d on 1d (33)	20.00
o 1881, 1sh (40)	7.00
oTuscany 1853, 1q (17)	7.50
o 1853, 1s (18)	25.00
o 1860, 80c (29)	5.00
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* 1859, 5g (14)	10.00
* 1859, 5g (14a)	15.00
o 1859, 20g (17)	12.50
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o 1857, Registered (402)	30.00
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Liberia, 69 var.	19.93	6.00
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Mauritius, 30 var.	29.25	8.00
Modena, 8 var.	15.75	4.10
Monaco, 22 var.	7.34	2.25
Montenegro, 34 var.	9.70	2.60
Mozambique, 24 var.	12.43	3.75
Moz. Co., 30 var.	15.15	3.80
Natal, 13 var.	21.85	5.50
Nevis, 6 var.	8.30	2.60
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Parma, 7 var.	25.50	6.00
Persia, 41 var.	34.37	8.70
Peru, 32 var.	8.32	2.10
(Prov.), 29 var.	26.60	6.00
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Philippines, 125 var.	48.45	12.50
Porto Rico, 57 var.	13.36	4.40
Portugal, 79 var.	42.98	11.50
Queensland, 54 var.	40.91	10.45
Rhodesia, 32 var.	9.79	3.00
Roman States, 11 var.	12.70	3.20
Roumania, 94 var.	52.77	14.00
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St. Christopher, 9 var.	15.11	4.60
St. Helena, 26 var.	24.60	7.60
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San Marino, 25 var.	13.10	4.20
Saxony, 22 var.	24.10	6.60
Schleswig H., 11 var.	25.75	7.00
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Shanghai, 57 var.	16.30	4.40
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NEW YEAR OFFERINGS--CHOICE NEWFOUNDLAND--SWISS RARITIES--NEW ISSUES--ETC.

We are determined to start the New Year right and accordingly offer MEKEEL'S readers a general line of the finest quality and most popular variety. May we call your especial attention to a wonderful list of Newfoundland itemized here—or if you are a collector far advanced please go through our Swiss rarities and we are sure you will find something of interest. A careful perusal of this page will prove beneficial to us both.

BRITISH NO. AMERICA

A wonderful addition of Newfoundland stamps has given us the nucleus for this unusual heading. We wish to further add that we have this country practically complete, aside from the great rarities, so if your missing ones are not listed here we can supply on request.

NEWFOUNDLAND

* 1	1857, 1 penny brown violet	2.25
* 3	3 pence green	2.00
* 5	5 pence violet brown	1.75
*18	1862-3, 4 pence rose	.60
*19	5 pence reddish brown	1.50
*21	6½ pence rose	2.50
*23	1 shilling rose	.65
*24	1866, 2 cent green	1.00
25	5 cent brown, off centre	5.00
26	10 cent black	1.75
*27	12 cent pale brown	.75
*28	13 cent orange, off centre	.90
*29	24 cent blue	.50
*30	1868-73, 1 cent violet	1.25
*30a	1 cent brown lilac	2.00
31	3 cent vermilion, heavy canc.	2.50
32	3 cent blue	.85
*34	6 cent dull rose	.18
36	1876-79, 2 cent green	1.50
37	3 cent blue	.60
38	5 cent blue	.40
*39	1880, 1 cent violet brown	.25
*40	1 cent gray brown	.45
*41	2 cent yellow green	.75
*42	3 cent blue	.75
42	3 cent blue, used	.15
43	5 cent pale blue	.30
*44	1887, ½ cent rose red	.10
*45	1 cent deep green	.08
46	2 cent red orange	.08
*47	3 cent umber brown	.75
47	3 cent brown, used	.25
*48	5 cent dark blue	1.25
48	5 cent dark blue, used	.50
*49	10 cent black, off centre	.90
*50	1890-94, ½ cent black	.06
52	3 cent gray lilac	.05
52E	5 cent bright blue	.25
*53	6 cent carmine lake	.30
*54	12 cent puce brown	.75
*55	1896, ½ cent orange red	.30
*56	1 cent brown	.25
*57	1 cent green	.40
*58	2 cent green	.25
*59	3 cent deep blue	.60
*60	3 cent violet brown	.40
*61	1897, 1 cent deep green	.10
*62	2 cent carmine lake	.10
*63	3 cent ultramarine	.10
*64	4 cent olive green	.12
*65	5 cent violet	.12
*66	6 cent red brown	.12
*67	8 cent red orange	.18
*68	10 cent black brown	.25
*69	12 cent dark blue	.25
*70	15 cent scarlet	.30
*71	24 cent gray violet	.50
*72	30 cent slate	.60
*73	35 cent red	.65
*74	60 cent black	1.00
*75	1 cent on 3 cent lilac	.65
*76	same, Type II surcharge	1.75
75-76	pair showing both types	2.75
*78	1 cent carmine rose	.05
*79	2 cent orange	.10
*80-84	1898-99, ½ to 5 cent	.25
85	1901, 4 cent violet	.08
*86	1908, 2 cent rose carmine	.05
*87	1910, 1 cent deep green	.10
87D	1 cent, error	1.00
88	2 cent carmine	.06
*89	3 cent brown olive	.25
90	4 cent dull violet	.25
91	5 cent ultramarine	.20
*92a	6 cents claret, Type II	.75
98	1911, 6 cent brown violet	.75
115-119	1918, 1 to 5 cent	.12
*121	8 cent magenta	.55
122	10 cent dark green	.12
*124	15 cent dark blue	.50
*127, 129, 130	rare surcharges	2.25

NEW BRUNSWICK

1	1851, 3 pence red, good	8.50
* 5	1860, 1 cent brown violet	.75
* 7	5 cent yellow green	.06
* 8	10 cent vermilion	.35
*10	17 cent black	.30
*12	1863, 2 cent orange	.10

NOVA SCOTIA

2	1851-3, 3 pence blue, fair	2.50
* 8	1860-63, 1 cent black	.45
* 9	2 cent lilac	.60
10	5 cent blue	.50
*11	8½ cent green	.60
12	10 cent vermilion	1.25
*13	12½ cent black	1.25

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

* 4	1862, 1 penny yellow orange	.75
* 5	2 pence rose	.15
* 6	3 pence blue	.15
* 8	9 pence violet	.50
* 9	1868-70, 4 pence black	.15
*10	1870, 4½ pence brown	1.00
*11	1872, 1 cent brown orange	.18
*12	2 cent ultramarine	.20
*14	4 cent green	.25
*15	6 cent black	.15
*16	12 cent violet	.15

CANADA UNUSED

*35	1872-3, 6 cent yellow brown	1.00
*44	1882-90, 6 cent red brown	.75
*45	1882-90, 10 cent brown red	1.80
*54	1897, 5 cent deep blue	.25
*56	1897, 8 cent dark violet	.35
*57	1897, 10 cent brown violet	.45
*99	1908, 5 cent dark blue	.15

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32D	1851, 1 cent blue, Type IV	1.50
33	3 cent dull red	.10
35	10 cent green	2.25
36	12 cent black	6.00
42F	1857, 1 cent blue, Type V	.30
44	3 cent dull red	.05
49	10 cent green, Type I	1.50
50	10 cent green, Type II	1.00
51	12 cent black	3.75
63	1861, 1 cent blue	.30
68	10 cent yellow green	.30
69	12 cent black	1.25
71	30 cent orange	1.50
73	1862-66, 2 cent black	.15
76	5 cent brown	1.00
77	15 cent black	2.00
78	24 cent lilac	1.50
92	1867, 1 cent blue	1.75
93	2 cent black	.25
94	3 cent red	.04
95	5 cent brown	6.50
96	10 cent green	1.50
97	12 cent black	1.15
98	15 cent black	1.75
100	30 cent orange, 2nd quality	2.00
112	1869, 1 cent buff	.75
113	2 cent brown	.30
114	3 cent ultramarine	.05
116	10 cent yellow	1.90
117	12 cent green	1.90
118	15 cent brown & blue	4.50
119	15 cent, Type II	2.25
120	24 cent green & violet	6.50
121	30 cent blue & carmine	3.75
122	90 cent carmine & black, superb copies, only two in stock	35.00
*123	1875, 1 cent buff, no gum	3.50
145	1870-71, 1 cent ultramarine	.08
148	6 cent carmine	.18
149	7 cent vermilion	1.00
150	10 cent brown	.20
151	12 cent dull violet	.65
152	15 cent bright orange	.75
153	24 cent purple	2.25
159	1873, 6 cent dull pink	.08
160	7 cent orange vermilion	1.00
161	10 cent brown	.08
162	12 cent blackish violet	75
163	15 cent yellow orange	1.00
*178	1875, 2 cent vermilion	1.90
179	5 cent blue	.10
189	1879, 15 cent red orange	.25

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211	1883, 4 cent blue green	.07
215	1888, 4 cent carmine	.08
216	5 cent indigo	.08
227	1890-93, 15 cent indigo	.12
230-37	1893, 1 to 10 cent Columbian	.18
238	15 cent dark green	.25
239	30 cent orange brown	.45
242	$2 brown red	2.50
276	1895, $1 black, Type I	.45
276	same in pairs	1.25
287	1898, 4 cent orange	.08
*288	5 cent dull blue	.25
289	8 cent violet brown	.10
290	10 cent gray violet	.08
291	50 cent sage green	1.25
294-99	1901, 1 to 10 cent	.35
*296	4 cent chocolate & black	.08
*297	5 cent ultr. & black	.15
*298	8 cent violet & black	.15
*299	10 cent brown & black	.18
300-309	1902, 1 to 15 cent	.15
310	50 cent orange	.12
311	$1 black	.18
*317	1904, 3 cent violet	.12
*318	5 cent dark blue	.30
*319	10 cent red brown	.30
*320-322	1907, Jamestown complete	.15
*325-332	1908-09, 3 to 15 cent	1.50
*331	13 cent blue green	.30
333	50 cent violet	.15
334	$1 purple brown	.25
*340-45	1910, 3 to 10 cent, no No. 344	.60
*349-350a	1912-13, 5 and 10 cent	.30
*371-83	1914-15, 3-20 cent, one 12 cent	2.10
*414	1917-19, 5 cent error	3.50
*432	1918, 24 cent Aero	.40
*1450-60	1912-13, 1-75 cent Parcel Post	2.90
1461	$1 rose Parcel Post	.15
*1500	Agriculture, 1 cent yellow, Spc.	1.00
1502	3 cent yellow	.25
*1503	6 cent yellow	.75
1505	12 cent yellow	4.00
*1509	Executive, 1 cent Specimen	2.00
*1515	Interior, 2 cent vermilion	.08
1516	3 cent vermilion	.08
1517	6 cent vermilion	.10
1519	12 cent vermilion	.25
1521	24 cent vermilion	.40
1522	30 cent vermilion	.40
1523	90 cent vermilion	1.25
1526	Justice, 3 cent purple	.50
1536	Navy, 3 cent ultramarine	.25
1537	6 cent ultramarine	.25
1540	12 cent ultramarine	.65
*1546	Post Office, 1 cent black	.20
1547	2 cent black	.15
*1548	3 cent black	.05
1549	6 cent black	.10
*1551	12 cent black	.50
*1558	State, 3 cent green	.50
13	1848-50, 5 cent black & red	47.50
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*Ceylon, 6 & 10 cent, Script		.08
*Dominica, ½, 1, 1½, 2, 2½, 6d, Script		.38
*Dominica, 2s 6d, Script		.75
*Egypt, 10m Due, new Wmk.		.07
*Gt. Britain, Nos. 1187 to 1193		.50
* Nos. 1194, 1195 (45 & 90pi)		1.25
* No. 1196 (180pi)		1.60
*Hong Kong, 2 & 30 cent, Script		.27
*Mesopotamia, ½, 1½a, Script		.06
* 2R, Script		.84
* Official, ½, 1½, 4, 8a, Script		.37
*Mauritius, 6 and 15 cent, Script		12
*Nyassaland, ½ & 6d, Script		17
*Palestine, 1, 2, 3, 5m, London surch.		.10
*Papua, 2s 6d, No. 81		.75
*St. Vincent, 1s, Script		.30
*Seychelles, 2 to 50 cent, Script, 9 vars.		.78
* 1R, 2½R, Script		1.45
* 5R, Script		2.25
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*Cuba 1899, 5 cent Due, No. 303	.25
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1909, 5 rupees Service, No. 261	.60
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By LOWELL J. RAGATZ.

It was a savage night in late January. Ever since early morning the storm had been raging. Instead of having abated somewhat as time passed, it had increased until, now, in the early evening, scarce a moment passed but that the little station-house, in which we had been gathered for half a day, was rudely shaken by the howling wind bearing from across Lake Superior. One of our number had scraped clear a little space on a velvet-frosted pane, and had told us that high drifts were forming on the lee side of the building.

Within, however, all was bright and warm and cheery. The sputtering bracket wall-lamps struggled valiantly against the double handicap of smoking chimneys and a smoke-laden atmosphere. The large, open-doored St. Paul stove in the center of the room, made leaping shadows on the wall opposite it. The dozen of us, storm-bound travelers, were doing what we could in different parts of the waiting-room to while away the many hours which must necessarily elapse before the next train would arrive and bear us away from this dreary portion of northern Wisconsin.

I had been looking over an ancient copy of the WEEKLY, dug out from among a miscellaneous assortment of reading material, ranging from *The Police Gazette* to *The Atlantic Monthly*, left by some who had passed this way before us, and now reposing in an unswept corner. But the semi-darkness of the room made reading well-nigh impossible. Giving up in despair, I fell back upon studying those about me.

There is really nothing quite so interesting as human beings, especially when they do not know that they are being watched. I knew most of those about me in a general way, for traveling men are, after all, but like the members of a large, scattered family. Near at hand was Walters (shoes were his lines), regaling the Pathé Booker and the Washburn-Crosby man with the details of an escapade. Four of our number were playing Five Hundred with a sample-case as a table, three were indulging in the thrills of Put and Take, with pennies in the pot, and several others were sleeping as comfortably and as noisily as they could with grips for pillows and rough station benches for beds.

The man next to me was a stranger, perhaps a new man on his first trip. I had never seen him before. I finished surveying our little group and was debating with myself as to the chances of getting in a nap, when I chanced to glance in the direction of my neighbor, and found him looking at me with a curious expression on his features.

"How do. Collect stamps?", he asked.

"Sure do. Proofs and essays. Ragatz my name. Madison. Stocks and bonds. Business rotten. And you?"

He laughed pleasantly.

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Thus are acquaintances made on short order among the great orders of The Knights of Philately and The Sons of the Sample-Case. But a stamp salesman, of all things! My face must have betrayed my astonishment, for my companion added, "You see, I got hold of the Neestrom collection a bit ago, and I decided that the best way to break it up would be to call on my customers, and so I'm making the rounds."

The Neestrom collection — Austin — Schenectady. The combination was strangely familiar————. I had it!

"Austin! Why, you must be *the* Austin of the stamp world, Delbert Austin, himself. Think of that, to meet you in this neck of the woods!"

We were soon in the midst of an animated conversation. My neighbor had his stamp wares with him, yes, some forty albums, but to all purposes they might have been in Schenectady, for they were in the adjoining room, snugly trunked and out of their owner's hands, as high-value express.

So we talked shop—the changes in the market within the few past years, the new interest in cancellations; the aggressive methods of foreign dealers seeking substantial connections in America; the tight holding of early issues; the probability of rarities resulting from the present rapidly shifting postal rates, colour schemes, and watermarks, and the personal call on buyers undertaken by my new acquaintance. The idea had come upon him, and he had acted upon it. Not only would the collection be broken up sooner, but making the rounds would give him the opportunity of meeting those with whom he had had relations for years past.

"You know", he said, "this trip is really proving an eye-opener to me. Any dealer doing a mail-order business forms certain ideas regarding his customers. A fellow writes in on an engraved letterhead, and rates high in D and B's. 'A *real* collector—one worth cultivating.' The cream goes to him. This one scrawls a few words on the first bit of paper coming his way. 'Probably a student or a petty clerk.' Average stuff for him. Here comes a want-list of cheap stamps. They're around somewhere, but why bother looking them up? 'The fellow's a piker, of course'.

"Now, such conclusions may not be arrived at as such, but they are formed nevertheless, and events seem to bear them out. The *'real* collector' buys what is sent him—for a time. So does the 'student or clerk, perhaps'. When they stop doing so, it's because somebody is cutting in on your trade, of course. As for the 'piker', doubtless, he naturally never sends a second list of wants, but then he is only a 'piker'. That's the way the average dealer sizes up his mail buyers and that's the way his dealings with them run. But it's wrong, it's quite wrong, I've found. I know now, you simply can't always tell."

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A "major" had turned out to be a university cadet corps commander, aged twenty, whose promising purchases had of necessity fallen off since he had blown in the last of his state bonus drawn for three months of service in the real army. He was glad to see stamps, but could not buy now, of course.

A "clerk, probably", who lived in the same town and whose purchases had not been large enough to warrant a call at first thought, had turned out to be a college professor of more than national reputation. He had spent the larger part of a night purchasing classics to round out his own truly wonderful holdings in their thirty odd albums, and had paid his $8,000 bill by check. He had never known that Austin had such items —all that he had ever received were very ordinary, commonplace things. Certainly, he'd be glad to see real things at any time.

A long-looked forward to call upon an advertiser, whose constant offerings of numerous rarities "price upon application" and urgent appeals for high-class stock (and incidentally offering Bonita approvals), had attracted Austin's attention, proved him to be a spare-time dealer with stamp headquarters in the living-room of a shabby suburban bungalow. He was the holder of a mediocre stock kept in writing-desk drawers. The rarities, unfortunately, were "all out". But people said such *nice* things about Bonita approvals, and he gave a premium with every dollar's worth sold! Yes, he would be glad to buy *heavily,* but unfortunately his money was tied up in a large collection purchased abroad and due shortly, etc.

A between-train call promising little but taking no extra time and little extra effort had been made upon a rather new entrant into the business. His advertising was clever and snappy, featuring approvals. But few direct offerings were ever made. Doubtless, he was a "fliv". But—pleasant surprise! The clean cut young chap at the head of the business had an airy suite of offices, employed six clerks, and was an eager cash buyer.

It was in this office that my neighbor had met a vaudeville actor, whom he had little difficulty in placing at once as a "piker, doubtless", whose request for certain low-priced stamps, to fill out sets, as it developed, had gone unanswered. This man had thought that he could get things he needed from Austin, but not having heard from him, he was getting them from a Nassau Street dealer and from stamp houses located in cities in which he was doing his turn.

"Of course, these are extreme instances I've been giving you. Many of my customers were just what I pictured them, from the war-fattened saddlery manufacturer who almost invariably took everything I sent him and knew so little about stamps that he had to have a philatelic secretary, to the Swedish butcher of Mabel, Minnesota, whose small but constant purchases through years have resulted in his acquiring a very presentable collection, mounted in such a way as to make his albums truly works of art. My butcher friend knows his stamps, too, and it gave me greater pleasure to sell him the sixty-five dollars' worth, which was all that he could stand at the time, than it did to leave $4,500 worth with Mr. Millionbucks."

A voice near us broke in complainingly. It was Walters'—he of the savory tale.

"Gee, gosh, ain't youse birds ever goin' to shut your hoppers? How d'you expect an honest drummer to go to sleep with all that jabbering going on?"

The wind was still screeching. The fire had died away and the dull ember-glow cast scarce a gleam upon the wall. The lamps, too, were burning low, as if in mute appeal for yet another drink of flame-feeding oil. Quite unnoticed by us, the yarn-spinning and card playing had ceased, and all but ourselves were now sprawled out about the place seeking the repose of the righteous with its ever-present dreams of a warmer, sunnier clime.

"Well", said I, "what do you say to turning in? Guess we can stow away behind the stove. That space just seems to have been reserved for us."

A double thickness of magazines and an overcoat softened the hardness of the floor. Our handbags were at least more adapted to the role of pillows than stones would have been.

"This *is* roughing it", Austin was chuckling, "I'm learning all kinds of things these days. One thing is sure, I've learned a new rule of business that I'll use to my last day, and that is, not to judge customers by the impressions external factors give. Hereafter it's to be more personal relations for me, even if it means less buyers. It will be better business in the end. Mistakes in sizing up a party mean lost sales, and that's poor business. I'm going to run things differently after this. I'm going to *know* my buyers. It's the only real way; thinking you know may be alright so far as it goes. The only trouble, and that's a big one, is that you can't always tell."

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CHAPTER XII.

Postal Stationery.

The current stamped stationery consists of 1c and 2c wrappers, 1c and 2c post cards, and a 5c registration envelope.

The 2c post card, carmine on buff, measures 140 x 88 mm., and the design of the stamp impressed in the upper right corner, is that of the current postage stamp (D. L. R. 1912) save that the lettering is changed to "Postage Postage". Four lines of printed matter occupy the space at the left of the stamp:—

"UNION POSTALE UNIVERSELLE
BRITISH HONDURAS (HONDURAS BRITANNIQUE)
POST CARD—CARTE POSTALE
The address only to be written on this side."

The 5c registration envelope is furnished in two sizes—"G" (6" x 3¾") and H2 (8⅞" x 4"). The flap which is on the address side of the envelope bears the embossed stamp, which is circular in shape and encloses the head of King George V in a pearled circle. The outer band is lettered "2 Cents Postage (Crown) 3 Cents Registration British Honduras." (The local and Empire registration fee is 3c, while the foreign rate is 5 cents). On the front and back of the envelope are crossed lines, in blue, and the lettering, also in blue, on the face, to the left of the stamp is in four lines:—

"REGISTERED LETTER.—This letted must be given to an Officer of the Post Office—to be Registered, and a Receipt obtained for it.—The Address must be written on this side."

A horizontal rectangle in the upper left corner is provided for the registration label.

In 1915, along with the moire overprinted 1c, 2c and 5c postage stamps, came the 5c registration envelope in two sizes, with the violet overprint applied to the stamp. The overprint is in the form of a rectangle, with rounded corners, 28½ x 25½ mm., but does not cover the inner circle containing the head. The total quantity sent out was 10,057, and although received about June, 1915, they were not issued until July of the following year. They continued on sale until the opening of 1920, when they exhausted, and were replaced by a fresh printing without the overprint.

1913-1916, Postal Stationery. George V.

Wrappers—1c green on manila.
2c carmine on manila.
Post Cards—1c green on buff.
2c carmine on buff.
Registration envelope—5c brown (G and H2).
5c brown (G and H2) moire overprint (1916).

CHAPTER XIII.

Communications.

Foreign mails, for the most part, are received and dispatched via the United States, by the steamers of the United Fruit Company, New Orleans division.

Communication between Belize, the capital, and Stann Creek and Punta Gorda, to the south, and Corozal and Orange Walk in the northern districts, is maintained by steamers. On the Belize river, motor boats ply between the capital, which is at its mouth, and El Cayo, 100 miles distant on the Western frontier, where goods are transferred to muleback for the Peten district of Guatemala. Between Belize and all places along the coast, bays and various rivers, communication is by sloops and motor boats.

The inland roads are unsuitable for wheeled traffic except in the immediate vicinity of towns, and between El Cayo and Benque Viejo.

Stann Creek, 80 miles to the south of Belize, is the principal port for shipment of bananas, which are brought down from plantations along the railway. The line, which is 3 ft. gauge, starts from Commerce Bight to the south of Stann Creek, and runs inland for a distance of 25 miles to Middlesex, at the foot of the mountains to the west. The railway was begun in 1907, and the first section was opened on the 17th October of the following year, by Hon. Wilfrid Collet, the Acting Governor.

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of sugar and rum, and from its proximity to Payo Obispo, in Yucatan, considerable trade is carried on with that place. Orange Walk, on New River, is also in the north of the Colony, while El Cayo and Benque Viejo are near the western frontier.

Belize and Corozal have local telephone service, and trunk lines connect the capital with Stann Creek, Punta Gorda, El Cayo, Benque Viejo and Orange Walk.

The expenses of the telegraph and telephone system, unfortunately, are in excess of the revenue:—

	Revenue	*Expenditure*
1913	$10,987	$12,486
1914	10,694	13,066
1915	11,711	11,698
1916	11,962	15,629
1917	9,684	15,190

Foreign telegrams are sent from Corozal by cable laid under the Rio Honda to Payo Obispo in Yucatan, whence they are transmitted over the Mexican line.

A 5 k. w. wireless telegraph station, with a range of 400 miles, which was installed in 1914, affords wireless communication with New Orleans and Jamaica.

On Sept. 11, 1918, the Catholic Bishop of British Honduras left Belize to visit the Stann Creek district, and although his age (74 years) and station brought him comforts of travel which would not ordinarily fall to the lot of the traveler, still his progress was not attended with any particular luxury. The following excerpts are taken from an account of the trip as reported to the *Clarion* (weekly, Belize), and printed in their issue of Oct. 3, 1918:—

"We left on the 'Honeydew' Wednesday, Sept. 11th; it was a gentle lazy breath of a breeze that moved us on at the rate of 4 miles an hour, giving us plenty of time to write letters. The 'Honeydew' went out of her way to drop us off at Mullins river, where we were met by a dory opposite the church and school, which are located in a little coconut palm grove in the northern part of town. . . . About half past ten the following morning we left in the mail dory for Stann Creek, where we arrived towards the end of the noon recess. . . . The following morning, Friday the 13th., we left for Middlesex on the motor car which Capt. S., Acting Superintendent of the Stann Creek Railway, kindly placed at our disposal. It was an ideal morning, and as we sped up the valley, I noticed as never before, a decided change from the heavier atmosphere of the sea coast to the light and fragrant air of the mountain forest. Towards noon we left Middlesex and soon after were welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. N., whose kind and thoughtful hospitality is known to all that have the pleasure of being entertained by them. You really feel there like being at home in an English country manor. The following morning the regular passenger train brought us back to Stann Creek on schedule time.

The following Monday, the 16th, we visited the central coast of the Stann Creek district, including a trip into the interior with a proposed overland route to Regalia. About 11 a. m. we left in a little dory for Newtown, and arrived there just before the beginning of the afternoon session. The following morning, at about 9.30, we left on foot for Commerce Bight, a tiny place. Then in a dory which was placed at our disposal we continued our journey toward a bush village in the interior called Pineridge. I managed to secure there the only horse available in the neighborhood, a 2-year-old colt, against riding which minus the saddle and bridle the good people warned me, being puzzled and amused at my proposal. The animal had not been broken in except for some boy riding him at times around the houses there. But I had to reconnoitre the overland route to Regalia before daring to take my venerable companion that way the following day. So after improvising some substitutes for saddle and bridle, which were not to be had, I started out guided by a footman, if you please, and quite a romantic trip it proved to be. Nice swamps, creeks and bushes to cross, though part of the route was identified as King's High road from Mullins river to All Pines. Well, I got as far as Serpon in two hours and a quarter. I told the people there that we had at first intended to visit them the following day on the way to Regalia, but that this was no trip for my companion, and that they should come to All Pines. I returned to Pine Ridge after dark.

On Wednesday morning we decided to go to All Pines by water route, though this meant a round-about way, apparently a three-quarter circle. We left at 9.20 a. m. First we shot down the rapid and twisting little forest stream. Freshwater Creek, which the day before we had worked up at perhaps three or four times the amount of time it took us now to reach the lagoon. This time we did not go down to Commerce Bight village, but made a short cut by getting out at a place where the Freshwater lagoon is separated from the sea only by a bar about 20 ft. wide, across which we pulled the dory on some rollers found there. Getting in on the sea side was not such an easy matter, and we first walked some distance along shore to some safe place of embarkation. Shortly after getting in the dory we were caught in the tail end of a shower, and we were grateful that it was only that and nothing more. As we had head wind up to False Little Point and could not think of using a sail in a little flat-bottomed dory, we had to paddle all the time until reaching that point, then the sail brought us somewhat quicker to Sittee river bar. We decided to go up the river and let them know of our spending that night at All Pines. We reached the lower end of Freetown about 2.10, and after calling on one of the inhabitants, with the request to inform the others, we turned around and proceeded through the cut off and Betsie Snowdown lagoon to All Pines, which we reached about 4 o'clock. We were glad when after nearly 7 hours crouching in a little dory or sitting on boxes, we could get out again and stretch our legs on terra firma. I handed over one of our fellow-passengers a chicken from Pine Ridge, to Mrs. N., and when I returned from rounding up the people, a fairly well deserved and appreciated dinner was ready. We had intended to visit Regalia, or what was once Regalia, and examine the beautiful little church built in the 80's, but on account of lack of time we had to abandon the idea. Shortly before noon we took the 'M. C.' and arrived at Stann Creek about 3 o'clock. After dinner His Lordship proceeded to Belize, myself remaining behind among my Caribs."

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CHAPTER XIX.

The 1921 Commemorative Issues.

On November 13, 1921, occurred the one hundredth anniversary of the independence of Panama from Spanish misgovernment, and the occasion was fittingly commemorated by the issue of a very beautiful series of stamps executed in the finest style by the American Bank Note Co. The decree authorized their use for postal purpose for two years concurrently with the regular issue. With the exception of the 5 centesimos, which is a horizontal rectangle 33 x 22½ mm., the stamps are all vertical rectangles varying but slightly from 21½ x 26 mm., and all are on white wove paper, perforated 12.

The 5c, which is intended to be the most prominent feature of the set, is unusual in design as well as size in bearing an inscription in a very slightly decorative frame, and perpetuating the words of the immortal Bolivar in which he speaks enthusiastically of the peaceful revolution by which Panama was freed from its foreign tyrants. To fully appreciate Bolivar's thoughts on the occasion it is to be remembered that Panama was the Keystone of Spanish authority in America, that the city had been declining for many years in consequence of mischievous restrictions on trade, and that the revolt was headed by the noblest families in the city. The reader will notice that the word "Procer" occurs before the names of three of the revolutionary leaders whose portraits occur on the stamps, indicating that they belonged to the higher Spanish nobility. It was probably due to such leadership that the revolution was conducted in an orderly manner and with hardly any disturbance in the affairs of the community. The set is as follows:—

235. ½c orange, arms of the old city of Panama as borne in 1521, surmounted by the royal crown. It will be noted that the outer border of the shield consists of the arms of the old kingdoms of Leon and Castille alternating.
236. 1c green, portrait of Procer Jose Vallarino.
237. 2c bright carmine. "Panama, Puerta de Tierra" (land gate of Panama forming a portion of the old city wall).
238. 2½c light red bust of "Libertador Simon Bolivar." (Liberator Simon Bolivar.) The bust is a beautiful piece of engraving.
238a. 2½c brown red. Only one sheet has been reported and evidently an error in color.
239. 3c brown-violet. "Monumento a Miguel de Cervantes Saavedra". (Monument to Miguel de Cervantes Saavedra.) Note below the statue of Cervantes the figure of Don Quixote on horseback.
240. 5c deep blue. Inscription in central frame "El acta de indipendencia de Panama es el monumento mas glorioso que puede ofrecer a la historia ninguna provincia americana, todo esta alli consultado; justicia, generosidad, politica e interes nacional" Bolivar. (The act of independence of Panama is the most glorious monument that could be offered to the history, not alone of an American province, all is there consulted: justice, generosity, policy and national interests.)
241. 8c olive-green portrait of Procer Carlos de Ycaza.
242. 10c intense violet, shows side by side views of the Panama municipal buildings in 1821 and 1921. That to the left reads "Cabildo de Panama, 1821." Cabildo means literally the corporation of a city or town, but is here applied to the building. The one to the right reads "Palacio municipal de Panama, 1921." (Municipal building or literally palace, 1921.)
243. 15c light blue. "Monumento a Vasco Nunez de Balboa." (Monument to Vasco Nunez de Balboa.)
244. 20c bistre-brown. "Iglesia de la Villa de Los Santos." (Church of the city of Los Santos.)
245. 24c dark brown. Portrait of Tomas Herrera.
246. 50c black. Portrait of Procer Jose de Fabrega.

The numbers issued were as follows:—

½c,	1,000,000	8c,	100,000
1c,	1,000,000	10c,	100,000
2c,	1,000,000	15c,	100,000
2½c,	25,000	20c,	100,000
3c,	25,000	24c,	100,000
5c,	1,000,000	50c,	100,000

The 2½c and 3c are very rarely used which accounts for the small numbers issued of each. They were all sold by Nov. 21.

The set was completed by a 1c stamped envelope and 2c postal card of the same designs and colors as the adhesives. On November 28, 1921, in commemoration of the centennial of the birthday of Don Manuel Jose Hurtado, a stamp of the denomination of 2c for internal use only, was issued—250,000 of these were printed, valid for thirty days only at the expiration of which period the remainders were to be destroyed.

247. 2c deep green. Portrait of Hurtado in oval. 21½x26 mm., white wove paper, Perforated 12. This is one of the most beautiful commemorative stamps ever issued. In fact, for a parallel it would be necessary to go back to the United States issue of 1869.

(To be continued.)

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—"It may be of interest to the readers of MEKEEL'S that the P. O. D. announces a reduction in the postage rate from five to two cents to the following countries on Jan. 1, 1922: Argentina, Brazil, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Jamaica and Martinique."—WM. M. MCFARLAN.

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Lively—At any rate we are getting along. Here in the *Saturday Evening Post* we run full-faced across a story with the unabashed title, "The Postage Stamp," by Gordon Arthur Smith. There are gobs of philately in the story that depends for its *dénouement* on an unadulterated stamp climax. The "one-silbergroschen rose stamp, issued by Brunswick in 1852" is the hero of the tale, whose *locale* is in France. The story starts "on that corner of the Champs-Elysées reserved for lovers, collectors and traders of postage stamps," and the philatelic theme dominates it throughout. The author knows something about stamps or else he is painstaking enough not to make glaring mistakes, such as have spoiled the efforts of some of the fictionists in using philately as a handmaiden. The old Frenchman has a beautiful daughter but lacks the Brunswick, No. 1. The father of the suitor of the French girl owns this stamp and it is the apple of his eye. The girl's father will not give her up to the young lover, unless he receives in exchange the Brunswick stamp. Now an American collector was nosing about and hit upon this censored romance and his young nephew, like the droll young American that he was, espoused the cause of the maiden forlorn, who was a thing of beauty. Now we have the characters and there are thrusts and parries that intrigue the attention of the general reader, and the collector will follow the tale with peculiar interest. We are pleased that the writer turns philately to good account and that the *Post* saw that philately made a good setting for a story.

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Righto—In *Life* for December 29, 1921, there is a caper that hinges for its snapper on stamp collecting. A half-page picture shows a swaggering hero who bids his guest welcome to the trophy room, with its stuffed heads of fierce "denizens of the jungle" on the walls. He says with fine toleration, "I tell you, my boy, I've had many a hairbreadth escape getting these together." The guest, exuding intellect, according to the popular artistic conception, is not flustered, but politely makes his acknowledgments: "Very interesting. You must come to my place some time and see my stamp collection." Good stuff and nonsense, say we.

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Stable—Here it is, just as the letter came: "If I edited the leading stamp paper, I should take occasion to tell of the wonderful record that philately is making. Is there any slump in the stamp market? As you would say, 'I trow not.' What other investment line can hold up its head as high as collecting? We know that instead of declining, good stamps are holding their own or more; and I think that you should have more to say on the subject. I am glad that I put a good part of my money in well-selected stamps; and there are others." The enthusiasm of our correspondent, founded on fact, is irresistible, and his words need little qualification. We want to enlarge the market for stamps in order that the man who wishes to realize on his holdings at any time may know that he has more than paper security. Meanwhile, conditions attending marketability are improving; and more assurance than before may be given to collectors that they are safe in buttressing their other investments with stamps.

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Number—We notice the advertisement of an enterprising firm in a stationers' magazine, in which the company calls attention to the display case of stamps and packets that it offers for installation in book and stationery stores. Incidentally, the statement is made that there are a million of collectors of stamps in this country. We are rather pleased to find that the stamp advertiser does not err on the side of conservativeness in estimating the philatelic census. A good many years ago we arrived at the conclusion that 150,000 was a fair guess at the number of collectors, by some method of analysis that we have forgotten, but to apply to the present, these figures would have to be revised upwards, decidedly. The fact that an issue of the WEEKLY was once sent to fully 100,000 names gave us the basis for the calculations. As Dr. Johnson once said, "round numbers always lie," and we are not disposed to believe that philately is yet in the millionaire class in the United States. What we wish to say is that if there are even a quarter-million collectors, they represent an influence wholly disproportionate to that usually carried by so large a number of persons. In effect, they are an unconsidered trifle in the life of the day. Because of their lack of organization, they are practically without force; and we are of the opinion that in no other line in which there are millions of dollars invested is there so inadequate protection by the absence of a unified front, as in our own. So long as the buying of stamps was deemed a thing apart from the routine of the day, it is easy to conceive that material ideas did not enter into the thought of the collectors; but now when stamps are money, it is difficult to understand why the *laisser-faire* attitude still persists. There will come a change, without doubt, and when once a beginning is made, it will puzzle us to realize why we worried along for years without being aware of our rights.

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The 10c with "Outer" or "Frame Line". What Towns Used It?

By EDWARD S. KNAPP.

As an interesting "sideline" to the Plating of the 10c *Outer Line*, I have also made a careful study of the cancellations, and the following table, compiled from the examination of approximately three hundred copies of this stamp, may be of interest to collectors of Confederate States, indicating, as it does, where the supply of the "Outer Line" was distributed to the various Post Offices. In the absence of all Postal Records, postmarks must, necessarily, be our surest guide.

Of the three hundred copies examined I find that 90 were—

(1) Cancelled illegibly, or with a "Gridiron",
(2) Pencancelled, or
(3) Unused.

Which leaves 210 to "work with".

On these 210, I find the following "Town" Cancellations:

Adams Run, S. C.	Monterey, Ala.
Athens, Ga.	Montgomery, Ala.
Atlanta, Ga.	Monticello, Fla.
Big Lick, Va.	Mt. Jackson, Va.
Canton, Miss.	Orange C H, Va.
Charlotte, N. C.	Petersburg, Va.
Charlottesville, Va.	Raleigh, N. C.
Chattanooga, Tenn.	Richmond, Va.
Culpeper C H, Va.	Savannah, Ga.
Dalton, Ga.	Selma, Ala.
Dublin, Va.	Shelbyville, Tenn.
Graham, N. C.	Shoobuta, Miss.
Greenville, N. C.	Stateburgh, S. C.
Jackson, Miss.	Sumter, S. C.
Lynchburg, Va.	Tuscaloosa, Ala.
McKinley, Ala.	Winchester, Va.
Milledgeville, Ga.	Wytheville, Va.
Mobile, Ala.	

A total of 35 towns. Of these 35 towns, *Three* stand out noticeably.

Mobile, with 86,
Richmond, with 28, and
Milledgeville, with 16.

Total = 130, which is more than one-third of the entire "Apparent Output", and Mobile alone used more than one-fourth of this "Output".

Going further, and dividing by *States*, we find,

Alabama used 100 (of which 86 are "Mobile").

Virginia used 54 (28 are "Richmond").

Georgia used 31 (16 are "Milledgeville").

South Carolina used 10.

Mississippi used 6 (4 are "Jackson").

North Carolina used 6.

Tennessee used 2 (Chattanooga, Shelbyville).

Florida used 1 ("Monticello").

I have no record of any copies used in Louisiana, Texas or Arkansas.

It seems quite probable, from the small numbers used in Florida, Tennessee, North Carolina and Mississippi, that no supply was ever sent to those states from the main Post Office in Richmond; the copies cancelled there being ones that had been "carried in" by either soldiers or transients: four copies, however, show "Jackson, Miss.", and as that was the Capital, it may have received a supply. So we'll include "Mississippi".

We can, therefore, say, with a very good chance of being correct, that only five of the eleven Confederate States actually had the 10c "Outer Line" for sale at a Post Office; Alabama, Virginia, Georgia, South Carolina and Mississippi.

I wish I could persuade the readers of this to give me a helping hand by loaning me any copies of this stamp they may have, for inspection. Undoubtedly, this "List of Towns" can be added to, and my Plating is like a jigsaw puzzle pieces, of various sizes and shapes, just waiting to be "Linked Together" by some items I have not yet seen. All stamps sent me will be treated with the greatest care and returned within a week of receipt. Address: Edward S. Knapp, 158 East 64th Street, New York City.

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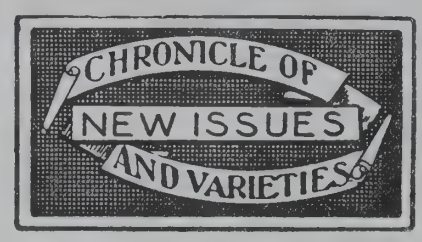

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—In the *American Philatelist* for December, 1921, Vol. 35, No. 3, Mr. Stanley B Ashbrook presents in great detail facts which have lead him to conclude that the 24c, 30c and 90c imperforate, issue of 1860, Scott's Nos. 37, 38 and 39, were not regularly issued, and that if these are included in the catalogue the 30c black of the same issue is just as much entitled to recognition. This view has been generally accepted for some time by those advanced specialists who have given the subject any thought and I do not believe that anyone today will seriously dispute his contentions.

If there was any doubt in the past, the publication in October, 1913, of the "Steinmetz Miscellany" convinced the skeptic. In this little gray bound booklet of some fifty odd pages, Mr. Steinmetz brought to light for the first time extensive correspondence between the office of the Third Assistant Postmaster General and the engravers, Messrs. Toppan, Carpenter & Co. of Philadelphia, relating to these very issues. Mr. Ashbrook quotes at great length from this correspondence to prove his contentions.

While these three stamps are on the same paper as the regularly issued stamp and while they may or may not have similar gum we know that these varieties are always distinguished even in the case of copies with small margins, by their unusual shades. Perforated copies have never been seen in the distinctive shades of the imperforate.

Mr. Ashbrook mentions that a copy on cover of the 30c was in the Worthington collection and was sold at $1,000. I have been reliably informed that this was returned as not being what it was supposed to be. If my memory serves me rightly this was sold by a Boston firm to Worthington, they having obtained it from the famous Paul collection of Philadelphia, which they purchased at the death of Mr. Paul. Someone has told me in the past, but I cannot recall who at the present time, that this cover was sold to Mr. Paul by the former company of Bogert & Durbin.

In my Chronicle for December 14th, I called attention to the fact that the new Scott catalogue listed for the first time the 3c lake and the 3c scarlet, as "not regularly issued" and went so far as to say that nine other stamps should be so designated. I referred to the three stamps discussed in the previous paragraphs, in addition to the August series of 1861, with the exception of the 10c and 24c values. No one has ever seen covers or satisfactory used copies bearing cancellations of the time of the 1c, 3c, 5c, 12c, 30c, or 90c, which could be accepted without dispute. In a well known Philadelphia collection there is a copy of the 5c cancelled with concentric circles but these cancellers were used many years later. A used 12c with a cork cancellation is in a large Baltimore collection but one of our well known experts questions this. Anyway, two swallows do not make Spring and these two copies prove little or nothing. I have never heard advanced any contention that would prove these varieties to have been actually sold at the post office in the regular course of business.

One other well known "standard rarity" should be added, in my estimation, to the not regularly issued category and that is the 1857 24c in the red lilac shade, Scott's No. 52b. This stamp only exists in unused condition and the few copies which I have seen, which includes a block of nine, have been of a more or less washed out appearance.

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We also wish to thank the following for news of interest: Messrs. L. S. Holt, Jr., Kenneth Setre, A. E. Wellman, Harmon Wendell, Alan L. Bird, W. A. Sisson and Rev. E. M. Gearhart.

AUSTRIA.—Mr. J. L. Riedel and the Economist Stamp Co. have shown us copies of the 7½kr in the type of Scott's A47 the colors being gold and brown. The same correspondents also send the 15h bistre, No. 222, overprinted in blue "Nachmarke 7½K" in two lines.

CAYMAN ISLANDS.—Mr. J. A. Galbraith sends us a copy of the 10sh stamp of the type of Scott's A6. It was issued on December 10th last and is dark red on green paper, watermarked multiple Crown CA.

CENTRAL LITHUANIA.—The Economist Stamp Co. have shown us a 100m stamp of a new design in blue and buff. In the centre there is the picture of a man on horseback with a government building in the background. At the top is a label "9 Pazdziernika 1920r". At the base "Litwa Srodkowa" and just above the value.

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FRENCH LEVANT.—Messrs. Bright & Son advise that the following additional values have been issued: 15pi on 1fc, 20pi on 2fc and 75pi on 5fc.

GERMANY.—Mr. Henry A. Meyer advises that he has just received a new advertising cancellation on a letter from his country. The wording is "Nimm Ein Postscheck Konto" and means Start Postal Savings Account.

GIBRALTAR.—We are informed by Bright & Son that the 3d blue in script watermark has appeared; 2½d in same color now having been recalled.

GUATEMALA.—The Economist Stamp Co. report the 25c green telegraph stamp of the 1919 issue with the surcharge 1921 CORREOS Doce Y Medio" in red and in four lines.

JAMAICA.—The Economist Stamp Co. have advised us of the appearance of the 1sh commemorative stamp on script watermarked paper.

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LITHUANIA.—Mr. George Soulman shows us the stamps referred to in our issue 1614 and also sends in addition a 5 auks stamp that we have not had submitted before. At the left is an airplane flying over a building while on the other side of the stamp are the words "Lietuva" and just below "Oro Pastas" with the value "5 Auks 5" below. The colors are grey green and buff.

Mr. Soulman also submits another set of stamps with the likeness of an angel with arms outstretched on which rests an airplane. In the upper right corner is "1921" and at the base "Lietuva". The value is at the left and above "Oro Pasto", the right side, "Isteigimas". The values and colors are as follows: 20sk terra and blue, 40sk blue and red, 60sk dark blue and green, 80sk gold and green, 1 auk grey green and blue, 2 auk grey and terra and 5 auk grey lilac and blue green.

MALTA.—Mr. R. Roberts advises that he has the 1sh emerald all through, plate 3, on old watermarked paper, multiple CA.

NETHERLANDS.—Mr. R. Roberts reports the appearance of the 1g postage due, vermilion, perf. 12½.

PALESTINE.—In addition to the values mentioned in our last issue the Economist Stamp Co., report the following values bearing the London overprint: 4mm, 1pia, 2pia, 5pia, 9pia, 10pia and 20pia.

RAROTONGA.—Mr. R. Roberts sends us the following information regarding the stamps of this colony: Rarotonga surcharged on the current N. Z. postage stamps Queen Victoria type, 2sh blue, 2sh 6d brown, 5sh green and 10sh maroon. Also the 1 pound rose. All clean cut perforation, 14½ x 14.

RUSSIA.—Mr. Karl Koslowski advises us that he has just received the 3½r stamp as Scott's No. 135 but the lozenges horizontally laid. Mr. Koslowski adds that he has seen only the 1r and 7r chronicled horizontally laid. It is also printed from new plates in sheets of 50, or 5 stamps high and 10 wide.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited, as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

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*10c, No. 107.... .05
*10c, No. 113.... .05
*10c, No. 116.... .05
20c, No. 143..... .30
*2c, No. 145..... .40
*4m, No. 159..... 07
*3c, No. 229..... 05
*10c, No. 231.... .15
1902-14
*1c on 3c, No. 232 .07
50c, No. 238..... .07
*3c, No. 241..... .05
*8c, No. 243..... .12
*50c, No. 245.... 60
*1p, No. 246.... 1.10
*5c, No. 250..... 05
*8c, No. 251..... 16
1p, No. 260..... .40
1899 Postage Due.
*5c, No. 303..... .25
*10c, No. 304.... .35

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1918-19
100h, No. 8 ..... .03
*200h, No. 20 .... .08
*15h, No. 85 .... .01
*20h, No. 86 .... .02
*50h, No. 90 .... .03
*60h, No. 91 .... .03
*80h, No. 92 .... .03
*1k, No. 94 ..... .03
1920
*125h, No. 141.... .03
*5h-60h, Nos. 145-153, each 02
*80h, No. 154 .... .03
*90h, No. 155 .... .03
*100h, No. 156 ... .03
*200h, No. 157.... .05
*300h, No. 158.... .08
*400h, No. 159.... 10
*500h, No. 160.... .10
*600h, No. 161 ... .13
*25h, No. 165..... .02
*100h, No. 166.... .03
*185h, No. 167 .... .04
*250h, No. 168.... .06
1920 Aerial Post
*14k/200h,No.504 .20
*24k/500h,No.505 .38
*28k/100h,No.506 .43
1919-20 Charity.
*15h-50h, Nos. 551-553, each ..... .02
*75h, No. 554 .... .03
*100h, No. 555.... .04
*120h, No. 556.... .05
*20h/40h, No. 560 .02
*20h/60h, No. 561 .02
*25h/125h,No.562 .03
1918 Postage Due.
*5h-30h, Nos. 601-606, each ..... .02
*250h, No. 610.... .06
*400h, No. 611.... .10
*2000, No. 614.... .58

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1886-91
5c, No. 8 ..... .03
10c, No. 9 ..... .04
25c, No. 10 08
50c, No. 17 ..... *.13
5fr, No. 19 ..... .63
10c, No. 21 ..... .10
40c, No. 23 ..... .25
5c, No. 26 06
10c, No. 27 ..... *.10
25c, No. 28 ..... *.15
50c, No. 29 13
1fr, No. 30 ..... .15
1908 Surcharged.
5c, No. 31 ..... *.08
10c, No. 32 ..... *.10
15c, No. 33 ..... .13
40c, No. 35 ..... .20
50c, No. 36 ..... .13
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*15b, No. 53 ..... .10
*20b, No. 54 ..... .15
*25b, No. 55 ..... .15
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*50h, No. 9 ..... .05
*60h, No. 11 ..... .18
*75h, No. 12 ..... .05
*80h, No. 13 ..... .05
*100h, No. 14 .... .08
*120h, No. 15 .... .09
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*400h, No. 18 .... .20
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*5p, No. 30 ..... .01
10p, No. 31 ..... .02
15p, No. 32 ..... .02
*35p, No. 33 ..... .02
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5a, No. 16 ..... .03
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40a, No. 18 ..... .13
50a, No. 19 ..... .50
100a, No. 20 ..... .75
3a, No. 25 ..... .04
5a, No. 26 ..... .03
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4a, No. 35 ..... .03
5a, No. 36 ..... .02
6a, No. 37 ..... .04
10a, No. 38 ..... .02
16a, No. 39 ..... .05
*20a, No. 40 ..... .08
25a, No. 41 ..... .10
40a, No. 42 ..... .13
50a, No. 43 ..... *.20
1k, No. 44 ..... .40
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3a, No. 50 ..... .10
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10a, No. 54 ..... .06
16a, No. 55 ..... *.25
40a, No. 58 ..... *.25
50a, No. 59 ..... *.30
40a, No. 66 ..... .38
50a, No. 67 ..... .30
*100a, No. 68 .... .43
1907-8
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3a, No. 72 ..... .03
4a, No. 73 ..... .04
5a, No. 74 ..... .03
6a, No. 75 ..... .05
10a, No. 76 ..... .03
15a, No. 77 ..... .05
20a, No. 79 ..... .08
25a, No. 80 ..... .08
40a, No. 81 ..... .13
50a, No. 82 ..... .15
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4a, No. 88 ..... .02
5a, No. 89 ..... .03
6a, No. 90 ..... .04
10a, No. 91 ..... .03
15a, No. 92 ..... .05
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1901-2
4a, No. 161 ..... .06
3a, No. 163 ..... .02
4a, No. 164 ..... .03
5a, No. 165 ..... .04
10a, No. 166 ..... .05
16a, No. 167 ..... .08
20a, No. 168 ..... .10
50a, No. 169 ..... .20
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4a, No. 171 ..... *.05
5a, No. 172 ..... .05
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I read with much interest the article describing the discovery of cross-hatching in the lower right corner of a 3c Parcel Post stamp, as set forth on page 719 of the WEEKLY for Dec. 24, 1921, under the caption "A Real Discovery."

The illustration brought to mind a similar block of stamps which I have had on several occasions, and I recalled immediately that the drawing was incorrect and confusing. The artist who made the drawing did not delineate correctly that part of the stamp under discussion. This I will proceed to describe and anyone with a strong glass can verify my description.

The circle, containing the "3", forms a triangle in the corner. In the top angle of the triangle there is a *horizontal* line about ½mm. below the apex; from this horizontal line a *straight* vertical line extends upwards and merges into the left curved side of the triangle. Below this horizontal line there are *five wavy* vertical lines; the two at the right do not touch the horizontal line above them and the three at the left, making the total of five, merge into the left curved side of the triangle. By reference to the drawing above referred to, one can see five vertical lines, all merging into the left curved side of the triangle, therefore quite incorrect. The drawing illustrating the cross-hatching also shows six horizontal lines in the triangle. This is also incorrect because the copy of the stamp before me clearly shows there are only *three* horizontal lines in the triangle.

If the 3c Parcel Post stamp is examined very carefully, and one can also examine the other values of the same series at the same time, one can see that these triangles in the lower corners, both sides, are supposed to represent the bases of the pillars at the sides of the stamps, the circular tablets containing the numerals being superimposed. Looking at the pillars one can see, if a glass is carefully and accurately used, that fine horizontal lines are covering them. In all early prints of the stamps these fine or faint horizontal lines are also discernible on the bases of the pillars, *i. e.*, two in each triangle in addition to the one strong horizontal line in each triangle, as described above. Therefore, I would go on record as stating that cross-hatching occurs in the triangles of all values of the parcel post series. After a little use the plates became worn and some of the stamps in each sheet would show that these fine horizontal lines had disappeared either partially or entirely. And in other words, I would call those stamps which do not show any horizontal lines in the lower triangles the variety.

However, the stamp described in the article in the WEEKLY *is* a variety. It is a *double transfer*, or shifted transfer, and the latter designation may be the more accurate. I had two blocks of these stamps with margin and plate number attached, and one was sold in my auction sale held on June 23 last. The plate number is 6257. A strong glass will disclose the doubling on the design under the top frame line, through the tops of the letters "ARCEL POS" and "NT", and there is a faint horizontal line at the bottom of the white circle containing the "3" at the left, and, also, the double rocking of the transfer at the lower right corner may account for the flattening of the right circle at the bottom and the extra heavy cross-hatching in the triangle at the lower right corner.

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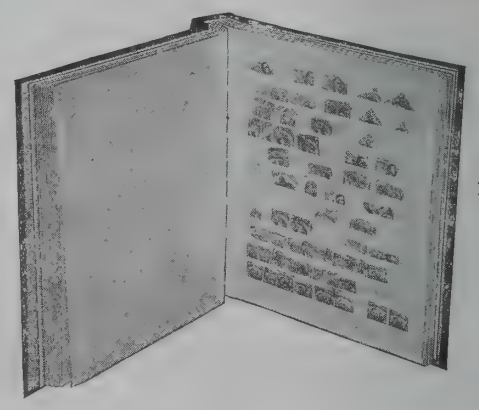

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A communication just received from New York informs us that we are expected to fall in line with recent Gotham practice, and produce our indefensible publication in German. Of a certainty we know that the war is all over—all over the whole world, as usual—but we never knew that German had become the official language of philately until we began to receive a lot of auction catalogues printed in "die schoenste Sprache", said catalogs emanating from New York. You fellows who are trying to intimidate our naturally timorous editor would better buy *two* pick handles than one: you might bust the first and reserve forces might come in handy! When it comes to slinging that "deutsche allegemeine Unterstuetzungsgesellschaft" stuff, we can put it in the hospital as well as any man! However, in view of the fact that diplomacy is one of our especial hobbies, we believe that a few catalogs printed in French would look better.

We are in receipt of a communication from an eminent cataloguer, who says that he will throw a coupla shots of dyno-toluene into our idiotorial cold-storage plant if we bawl out any mistakes he makes in *his* catalogs.

Gee! That would suit us exactly. Our printer is as lazy as any of them, and it might wake him up. Again, the plant has been mortgaged twice already to pay for the New Europes we paid for twice to avoid trouble, but which the European dealers claim they have not been paid for yet, and if something happened to our little galley, we could collect the insurance and pay the Swiss cheese wholesalers all over again.

At any rate, any guy who thinks he can scarce this office with dynamite after we have survived four years of war stamps and three years of New Europe, is sticking his hinges on the wrong door—stamp we mean. Since Central Lithuania commenced issuing door checks, *nothing* makes us sick.

News From the Front.

We are informed that the Duke de Dodder objects to public use of that title, claiming that it is only an incog moniker. Sort of gear-shift, so to speak. His Secretary also informs us that the real title of the gentleman is Prince of Orange, which makes it all perfectly clear to us, as now we understand how he got in Dutch with the Margrave of Manila. Rumor has it that the "special cable" mentioned by the Prince in a recent edition of his "Pink Pimple" is one of the Manila Ropes handed him by the Margrave. We object to any such slander on the fair name of Pittsburgh, the original home of the aforesaid cable-rope boquet de cabaggeo.

We believe that the Prince-Duke has mistaken the initials, and that they are really A. D. S. A., which would mean something like "Another Darned Sad Argument", or "All Dealers Sell Aeroplanes". However, if his Serene Highness *will* insist on the other arrangement, we will explain to him that it should be construed as "Anzac Soldiers Defeat Austrians", explaining why the Austrian Crown is all shot to pieces. To our mind the best solution of this puzzle, for which we understand the Duke has offered a bottle of orange juice as a prize, is "All Serious Dealers Advertise". Just look at our colyumes, as our old friend Duane would say, and prove it.

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If someone had suggested back in 1908 that in a dozen years there would be five thousand enthusiastic precancel stamp collectors you would have looked at the prophet with wistful eyes and, in tones more or less audible, classified him in your list of semi-maniacs. Yet now that it has happened, today we must seek out the reasons why it has happened, and find out if we can what has caused the popularity of this new branch of philately to grow up since the war, seemingly of its own accord. The Precancel hobby today supports two societies, the International Precancel Club and the Precancel Club of America; there is one monthly magazine devoted exclusively to precancels; periodicals in this country and abroad are mentioning the hobby more and more and publishing precancel notes, comments and articles. The interest has become more than a sporadic boom, it is an established hobby.

You may perhaps smile, as I have smiled at the argument advanced, that in times of depression like this, the stamp hobby is more popular than ever before. However, I have stopped smiling: that statement is true in that more people need and use the hobby in hard times than any other. That they use it in lesser quantity if we measure their use in money units no one will deny. To a dealer who is interested in obtaining the largest possible sales per month, the smaller purchases of his best customers cause him to question the argument. *However, there are more customers even tho the amount spent by each is less.* That is where the argument bears fruit. There are more people actively collecting in times like the present, but the amount they spend for stamps is less per capita than that spent by the average collector in good times.

But, you say, there is no connection with this proposition and precancels. But there is. It is in a time like the present that the precancel hobby will be the most popular because it permits a man to spend a dollar and get 15 to 30 items for that dollar. It is so attractive from the financial consideration that in times like these it is little to be wondered at that it is so alluring.

And there are intricacies sufficient to please the United States collector who has been so used to watching for secret marks: twenty to thirty varieties of types, the 1890, 1902, 1908 issues, with the later issues in the three perforations; —10, 11 and 12. The commemorative issues, such as the Panama Pacific, the Jamestown, the Lincoln, the Louisiana purchase, the Pilgrim set, with the varied overprints are a possible speciality by themselves. Rarities are not lacking, as anyone who has attempted the completion of the Parcel Post stamps precancelled will verify. Finds occur every month of scarce victory and aeroplane precancels. And so we must concede that besides being economical as a method of satisfying the collective desire, the hobby really has philatelic possibilities of no mean proportions.

But the best point is that finds are possible for any collector of the new hobby. That the garret is fast becoming obsolete, even the most ardent searcher will gladly admit. However, the "precancelist's" garret is everyday's mail. A package from Dakota is as likely as not to be franked with a couple sevens from Williston or Fargo or perhaps Sioux Falls. Twenty cents automatically falls into the collector's fingers. A parcel from Cincinnati will include a ten cent Special Delivery and you have its face value in full precancel worth even after it has been used. To an ordinary collector of United States postage a twenty cent Bethlehem, Penn'a, would have a commercial value of from a penny to two cents; to the precancel enthusiast it jumps in value from ten to fifteen times that.

Thus we see there is that added interest of getting something for nothing. Who likes that better than a stamp collector in these times? Who with all the philatelic normalities does not like to see his collection wax fat with new varieties which have real commercial value and yet which are obtained because he is a precancel enthusiast? He is a step ahead, he has amassed knowledge which he capitalizes.

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By BERTRAM W. H. POOLE.

CHAPTER I.

Introduction.

Belgium, one of the smaller of the European countries, consists of the southern portion of the former kingdom of the Netherlands (as created by the Congress of Vienna), lying between France and Holland, the North Sea and Rhenish Prussia. Its greatest length from northwest to southeast is 173 miles, and its greatest breadth from north to south is 105 miles. Its total area is 11,373 square miles, or about half as large again as New Jersey. The country is divided into nine provinces—Antwerp, West Flanders, East Flanders, Hainault, Liége, Brabant, Limburg, Luxemburg and Namur, of which Luxemburg is the largest and Limburg the smallest. Brussels is the capital and, with its suburbs, the largest city, having a population well in excess of half a million. Antwerp is the chief commercial city of Belgium and has a population of about 300,000, while next in size are Ghent and Liége, each with more than 150,000 inhabitants.

Belgium's total population numbers more than eight millions and it is the most densely peopled country of Europe. The people consist of two races, Flemings and Walloons, with small numbers of Germans, French and Dutch. East and West Flanders, Antwerp and Limburg are almost wholly Flemish; and Brabant mainly so. The line between the Flemish and Walloon districts is sharply defined, the Flemish part being the richest and most cultivated. The French language has gained the ascendancy in educated society and in the offices of government; but the Flemish dialect prevails numerically in the proportion of nine to eight.

The surface of Belgium slopes generally from the southeast to the North Sea, and is drained by the Scheldt and the Meuse (Maas) and their numerous tributaries, of which the most important is the Sambre. The triangular region south of the Sambre-Meuse line consists of a series of plateaus, trenched by ravines and narrow valleys, belonging mostly to the system of the Ardonnes. Where it is not marsh and moor land it is heavily wooded. To the north of the same line the surface is nearly a level plain, which has been made exceptionally fertile by the unremitting labors of generations. Artificial embankments protect the low lying lands and the seaboard from inundations. The country along the north boundary, between the Scheldt and the Meuse, known as the Campine, was a region of barren sand; but here and in other parts the peasantry, by spade labor and heavy fertilizing, have, during the last seventy years, won thousands of acres to effective cultivation. It has been said that the agriculture of Belgium is gardening on a large scale, so carefully and laboriously is every inch of the soil cultivated by the farmers, the vast majority of whom are small holders owning less than one hectare (about 2½ acres) of land. The spade is still the principal implement used.

The greatest wealth of Belgium lies in its deposits of coal and iron. The former stretch along the Sambre and the Meuse all the way from the Franco-Belgium frontier west of Mons as far as Liége, and they have a surface area of no less than 555 square miles.

It has numerous manufactures and in the middle of the 13th century Flanders, with Bruges as its chief seat of manufactures, had surpassed all its neighbours in industry. After the discovery of America Antwerp took the place of Bruges. The unhappy period of Spanish oppression and the war in the Netherlands deeply depressed Flemish commerce. But Belgium has long been again a busy and prosperous country commercially, the separation from Holland having been indirectly favorable to the development of Belgian resources.

Belgium employs the French decimal system of weights, measures and moneys.

Although full liberty of worship is guaranteed to all, and the ministers of each denomination are paid by the State, almost the entire population are Roman Catholics, the number of Protestants being only about 15,000 and of Jews 4,000.

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The partnership did not work well and the history of the modern kingdom of Belgium dates from 1830, when it rebelled from Holland. A provisional government was formed, and was acknowledged by the whole of Belgium. The resolution of the Dutch Parliament that Belgium and the Netherlands should be separately administered, but under the same king came too late to check the revolution. The crown of the new kingdom was offered to Leopold of Saxe-Coburg, husband of the Princess Charlotte of England and Uncle of Queen Victoria, and accepted by him on June 4th, 1831. In the ensuing struggle the Dutch forces defeated the Belgians; but the latter were speedily supported by a French army, and the Dutch ports were blockaded by British and French fleets. King William had, therefore, to recognise the inevitable, and Belgium became definitely a separate kingdom in 1832.

CHAPTER II.

Early Postal History.

According to the late M. Moens, the eminent Belgian philatelist, the postal history of Belgium dates back to 1776, when the Chevalier Paris de l'Epinard, a Frenchman living in Brussels, propounded some very advanced views to the then Governor of that City on the subject of postal reform. His scheme, which only extended to the collection and delivery of letters in and within a radius of six miles of Brussels, embraced several points, upon the importance of which Sir Rowland Hill placed particular emphasis some 63 years later. Among these was a proposition that the public should be invited to prepay their letters by some kind of stamp—"au moyen de marques á ce destinées". He also made a proposal that any number of sheets of paper, which did not together exceed a certain weight, should be considered a single letter—a matter which was so long a stumbling block to English post-office officials when postal reform was being discussed in 1839. Again he urged that circular letters, sent in considerable numbers, should be passed through the post at a low rate of postage. Needless to say the Chevalier was much in advance of his times and the Procureur-General of Brabant, to whom his scheme was submitted, rejected it for several reasons. He said "that a petty post could only thrive in such large centres as London or Paris, and must needs languish in a small city, such as Brussels, in which the notables could send round their correspondence by means of their servants. That therefore an organization of the kind could only lead to the propagation of libels, pasquinades and other ribaldry, which might be circulated without the authors running the risk of being discovered; a state of things which was certainly rather to be discouraged than promoted. And finally, even admitting the necessity of the proposed scheme, its direction should be confided to a man of acknowledged worth, and not to a dratted foreigner". Which only goes to show that though a man may not be a prophet in his own country it does not necessarily follow that he will be looked upon as such in a foreign one.

Apparently the subject of postal reform was shelved until in 1840, Great Britain led the way by introducing penny postage and issuing postage stamps. Such a far reaching reform attracted the attention of foreign governments everywhere and it was not long before Belgium was considering the application of this system to its own postal organization. On the 12th February, 1841, therefore, Mr. L. Bronne, at that time Inspector of the Central Administration of the Belgian Post Office, was sent to London to investigate the English system. Mr. Bronne was strongly impressed with the advantages of Sir Rowland Hill's scheme and recommended his government adopt a similar one and also issue adhesive stamps or stamped envelopes for the prepayment of postal charges. Mr. Bronne, himself, thought more favorably of the envelopes than the stamps and, in fact, designed an envelope for the use of the Belgian Post-office.

Mr. Bronne's report led to the appointment of a special commission by the Minister of Foreign Affairs, who was at that time also Minister of Public Works, on April 10th, 1841, to make a thorough enquiry into the matter. This commission reached no decision and after prolonging matters for some years the merchants of Brussels became impatient and appointed a second commission who were charged to agitate for postal reform based on a uniform rate of 10 centimes.

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CHAPTER III.

The First Issue.

The first issue of stamps for the Kingdom of Belgium comprised but two values—10 and 20 centimes—but they were quite sufficient for a postal system into which conventions with foreign countries scarcely entered. The 10 centime stamp paid the postage on a single letter (i. e., one weighing not more than 10 grammes or about ⅓oz.) for distances not exceeding 30 kilometres (about 18¾ miles), while the 20 centimes paid the postage for distances beyond 30 kilometres within the confines of the kingdom. The charges for heavier letters were fixed at 20c for those weighing more than 10 and less than 20 grammes; 40c for those weighing more than 20 and less than 60gr; 60c for those over 60 and less than 100gr, and 20c for every additional 40 grammes or fraction thereof.

The new law came into force on July 1st, 1849, and although stamps were sold at many post-offices for a few days prior to that date they were not good for postage until the day officially decreed.

A Royal Decree dated June 17th, 1849, announced the stamps as follows:—

"MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS.

At the request of our Minister of Public Works, we have decreed and do decree:—

1. That stamps of 10 and 20 centimes be issued to prepay the postage on letters.

2. That the said stamps bear Our portrait; that there be inscribed upon them the word POSTES, together with an indication of their value, which will be repeated in figures.

3. That they be sold by the officials of the Administration of Posts.

Our Minister of Public Works is directed to carry out the orders given by this decree.

Given at Brussels, June 17, 1849
(Signed) LEOPOLD

By the King
The Minister of Public Works,
(Signed) H. ROLIN."

On the day of the publication of this Decree the Minister of Public Works addressed the following circular to the postmasters of the Kingdom:—

"The tax collectors will shortly receive the first supply of postage stamps, the quantity being based upon their presumed requirements for one month, and they will take pains to supply, without delay, the distributors under their orders, so that the sale of these stamps can commence, throughout the kingdom, on the 25th of June.

In order to facilitate this sale there will be sent to the collectors, with the present circular, a considerable number of announcements, which they will be instructed to send out immediately to merchants and other persons who habitually use the postal service. It will, however, be necessary to inform buyers of these stamps that they will not be valid before the 1st of July, the date fixed for the introduction of the new method of prepaying postage on letters. It is also to be understood that every letter forwarded up to midnight of the 30th June will be subject to the tariff fixed by the law of Dec. 29, 1835; and that this rate shall be collected, whatever may be the time of its actual arrival at its destination.

I hope I may count upon the zeal and activity of the postal agents in the execution of the measures which are expected to assure the success of the postal reform; and that they will, above all, take advantage of every opportunity of bringing its advantages to the notice of the public.

I desire also that the agents and officials of every grade be permitted to read these instructions, and that their attention be called particularly to the regulations concerning postage stamps."

Having seen that the Royal decree was properly published, and having issued full instructions to the postmasters, it only remained for Mr. Rolin to instruct the public on the use of the new postage stamps, which he did by means of a Ministerial Notice dated June 18th, 1849, viz.:—

"The Use of Postage Stamps. Prepayment of letters by means of stamps.

In order that the public may not be subjected to the annoyance caused by the present means of prepaying letters, the Administration will cause to be sold, at the rate of 10 and 20 centimes, stamps with which letters may be franked within the interior of the kingdom, without its being necessary to pay the amount of the postage in actual coin at the post offices.

These stamps consist of a small engraving of the King's portrait, together with an indication of value in words and figures: they will be printed on paper of which the back is provided with a light coating of gum.

The value of each stamp may also be known by its color and the color of the printing upon it; *brown* is used for the 10 centimes stamp, and *blue* for the 20 centimes.

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VARIETIES OF THE EARLIER SWEDEN.

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By SWEN GORANSON.

The errors and varieties of the early stamps of Sweden have been to me a very interesting source of study, and with the hope of assisting others. I have endeavored with the help of data at hand, to compile this little article.

Let us begin with 3 skilling, No. 1, yellow instead of green. This stamp is, perhaps, the rarest of all the Swedish stamps, only one copy is so far known to exist. This is also the only known error of this variety.

No. 2. 4 skilling has several errors. such as PYRA, FYBA and FIRA instead of FYRA in the lower panel. The error FIRA is the rarest of the three.

No. 3. 6 skilling. No errors known.

No. 4. 8 skilling. This stamp has a double figure 8 in the upper right corner, which appears on all shades.

No. 5. 24 skilling. TJOGU instead of TJUGO in the lower panel, also EYRA instead of FYRA. The latter variety is very rare, only one copy known which reposes in the Postal Museum at Stockholm.

All the stamps of the issue of 1858, except 9 ore, have been found with the error ORF instead of ORE in the lower panel. 5 ore, No. 6, appears also with FFM and FF.M instead of FEM, also with FF.M and ORF appearing on the same stamp. Our Swedish cataloguer warns us that all these typographical errors are often counterfeited by painting over the parts supposed to be missing in the letters, by colors corresponding to the colors of the respective stamps. However this is easily detected by dropping pure alcohol over the suspected place, which, if the error is counterfeited, will quickly restore the stamp to its original form without injury to same.

12 ore, No. 9, printed on both sides, is another of the ultra rare varieties of Sweden. It was circulated from the City of Gothenburg in 1871. So far there are only five copies discovered, three in mint condition and two used, of which one is in the Postal Museum at Stockholm and the remaining four held by private collectors. 50 ore, No. 12, has appeared with FFMTIO instead of FEMTIO in the lower panel, but on examination found to be purely counterfeits.

Of the issue of 1862-66 we find only one error, namely, the 3 ore, No. 13, printed on both sides. This variety is not quite as rare as No. 9, as there are about twenty used copies known, but none in mint condition. A private Swedish collection contains, beside three single copies, each with different town cancellations, a superb pair, which was found as late as 1920, and is considered, next to 3 skilling, No. 1, yellow, the rarest philatelic discovery ever made in Swedish stamps.

In the issue of 1872-77, perf. 14, all denominations, except the 1rd, No. 27, exist with the numerals in the center shaded. The 3, 12 and 30 ore also appear with exceptionally heavy numerals. The 20 ore, No. 23, vermilion with "Double Print", was discovered in 1920 by a then eleven years old Swedish philatelists, William Wennberg, a son of the eminent philatelist, Harry Wennberg. In examining several thousand copies of this stamp the young man discovered some peculiar yellow shadings running along the vermilion lines. Calling his father's attention to the same, and after several inquiries from the post office Department and also from prominent collectors, it was established that the stamp in question was really a genuine double print. It appears that the stamp, was originally printed in a pale orange color and could not readily be distinguished from the current 24 ore orange, hence the calling in of the remainders which were then overprinted in vermilion. So called "Back Prints" are found on all denominations of this issue.

The issue of 1877-79, perf. 13, also appears with the center figures shaded, as in the previous issue, and all denominations printed on both hard and soft paper, except 6 ore and 1 rd., which were printed on hard paper only. The 4, 12, 20 and 30 ore also exist with heavy figures in center. The 20 ore with very uneven numerals, and the 30 ore with the center figures connected. All the denominations, except the 1 rd., are found imperforate. In this issue we find the world renown and celebrated error 30/20 ore which has been described and discussed so many times in the past, that more talk about it seems unnecessary. Suffice it to say that about 800 copies were printed and released, but how many survived is impossible to say.

The 10 ore of 1885 is found imperforate, the only variety known of this stamp.

The inverted surcharges on the 10 on 12 ore and 10 on 24 ore of 1889 are nothing but counterfeits.

The issue of 1886-91, post horn on back, has very few typographical errors. 2 ore, No. 40, seems to have been selected to boast with them all. Here we find the figure 2 with a long narrow tail; period before and after the word FRIMARKE; the two combined on the same stamp; periods before and after FRIMARKE and "dots" before TVA on the same stamp; the E in ORE broken on lower leg; the outer circle over the letters R and I in FRIMARKE missing, and many others too numerous to mention. 6 and 10 ore also 1kr exist imperforate. 20 and 30 ore are found printed on card board paper.

Of the official stamps of 1874-77, I will mention that they all appear imperforate, also all of them printed on cardboard paper.

In the issue of 1881-85 official, perf. 13, we find the 3, 4, 5, 10, 20, 30, 50 ore and 1kr. imperforate, and the 6 and 20 ore on card board paper. 12 ore, No. 417, with heavy figures in the right oval, and 20 ore, No. 418, with the letters in TJUGO partly open or only outlined.

All the stamps of the 1891-93 official issue appear imperforate. The 20 ore, No. 426, with the letter M in the right oval missing.

In the issue of 1889 official, surcharged, are to be found some very interesting errors, such as, the surcharge inverted, on both denominations, and FR:MARKE instead of FRIMARKE on both. Of the latter variety one appears on each sheet. Of the 10 on 12 ore, inverted, 200 copies were printed, and of the 10 on 24 ore inverted, only 100 copies, of which fifty are cancelled LUND 26/12 1889.

Both surcharges have been found on the issue of 1874, perf. 14. Of No. 423 eighteen copies are known to exist, one mint and seventeen cancelled VASTERAS Okt. 1889. Of No. 424 fourteen in mint condition and two used copies are known.

The so-called "Local Stamps for City of Stockholm" have no typographical errors as far as known, but while on this subject it would not be amiss to mention something about the differences between the "Star" and "Town" cancellations on these stamps. In the first place it may be a wrong idea to consider them purely "local" for the City of Stockholm. To quote a writer in *Svensk Filatelistisk Tidskrift*, who, upon inquiry gives us the following information: "It is a mistake, though perhaps many collectors believe, that the black and brown local stamps were used only in the City of Stockholm. They are also described as local for City of Stockholm in albums and catalogues. In reality the 1 skilling black, issued 1856, was used only in the City of Stockholm until 1862 (or more correctly, November, 1861). But when the 3 ore brown was issued in 1862 it was ruled that the local postage stamps should be used in all cities where local mail had been established. This also is proven by the fact that most of the black stamps are cancelled with the 'Star' cancellation, which was stopped when the new ruling went into effect. Hence the reason why only a few of the brown stamps are found with the 'Star' cancellation."

The errors and varieties herein described I consider major and are very interesting to a collector who wishes to study the details of the stamps of a certain country. There are, of course, countless minor varieties which a specialist is constantly looking for but very seldom finds.

In concluding I hope that this little article will be of some help to collectors who, for their philatelic researches, have chosen Sweden as one of their favorite countries.

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CHAPTER XXIII.

Acknowledgment of Receipt Stamps.

In Chapter XIX I mentioned the different kinds of registration stamps used in Panama and Colon and will not go over the same ground again, but would say that the acknowledgment of receipt stamps used at Colon prior to the general issue in 1904, always read A. R.—COLON. The others while they are here described as Panama issues may have been in general use, but it is more probable that the A. R. stamps issued by the Colombian government were used for this purpose. Indeed this must have been the general practice at Panama.

The first acknowledgment of receipt stamps that can be assigned to Panama appeared in 1902, when the regular adhesives of the 1892-1896 issue were surcharged "A. R." in a flattened circle.

501. 5c blue, surcharged rose.
  a. 5c blue, double surcharge rose.
502. 5c blue, surcharged red.
503. 5c blue, surcharged purple.
504. 5c blue, surcharged magenta.
505. 10c yellow, surcharged rose.
  a. 10c yellow, double surch. rose.
  b. 10c yellow, inverted surch. rose.
506. 10c yellow, surcharged red.
507. 10c yellow, surcharged magenta.

I have not seen covers with the Colombian acknowledgment of receipt stamps used in Panama, but this must have been the case as there was a stock on hand available for surcharging, and we have these provisionals on the 10c blue.

508. 10c blue, bluish paper, imperforate, surcharged REPUBLICA DE — PANAMA in two lines in rose-red (1903).
  a. Double surcharge.
  b. Additional surcharge "5" in rose-red.
  c. Surcharge "5" only in rose-red.
509. 10c blue, bluish paper, surch. "Panama" and bar in rose-red, issued early in 1904.

CHAPTER XXIV.

Colon Acknowledgment of Receipt Stamps.

The Colon post-office as early as 1898 commenced surcharging the ordinary adhesive stamps with a rubber hand stamp, for use as acknowledgment of receipt stamps. This was done with very slight regard to neatness and it appears to have been a matter of but little consequence whether the inscription was in normal position, inverted or diagonal, while double surcharges are not unusual. Even the color seems to have been regarded as a matter of indifference, any available stamping pad in the office apparently being employed. The resulting varieties were evidently unintentional if not particularly interesting.

511. 5c blue, surch. (b) in blue black.
  a. Double surcharge.
512. 5c blue, surch. (b) black.
513. 5c blue, surch. (b) violet.
  a. Double surcharge.
514. 5c blue, surch. (b) magenta.
  a. Double surcharge.
515. 5c blue, surch. (b) green.
516. 10c yellow, surch. (b) blue black.
  a. Double surcharge.
  b. Inverted surcharge.
517. 10c yellow, surch. (b) violet.
  a. Double surcharge.
518. 10c yellow, surch. (b) magenta.
  a. Double surcharge.
  b. Inverted surcharge.
519. 10c yellow, surch. (b) green.
520. 5c vermilion (fig. 1), surch. (b) violet.
  a. Inverted surcharge.
  b. Vertical surcharge.

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521. 5c blue, surch. (a) magenta and (b) in violet.
522. 5c, both overprints in violet.
523. 5c blue, surch. (a) violet and (b) red.
524. 5c blue, surch. (a) red and (b) violet.
525. 5c blue, surch. (a) magenta and (b) blue-black.

Many varieties due to displacement or omission of one of these surcharges are mentioned in Luff's reference list, but as in other cases of misplaced hand-stamp surcharges they are not recommended to collectors. The word COLOMBIA was finally cut out of the hand-stamp but some portions of the letters usually remain. I am unable to say when this change was made, but my impression is that copies will be found with the first COLON surcharge and COLOMBIA complete. As this point is of considerable interest any definite information will be appreciated. In referring to the surcharge A. R.—COLON-COLOMBIA as (b) in later issues the reader will understand that the complete inscription is not to be expected.

526. 10c blue on bluish (fig. 2), surch. (a) magenta.
527. 10c blue on bluish (fig. 2), surch. (a) violet.

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528. 5c blue, surch. (c) violet and (b) violet.
529. 5c blue, surch. (c) violet and (b) magenta.
  Double and inverted surcharges occur as in the preceding issue.
530. 10c blue on bluish, surch. (c) violet.

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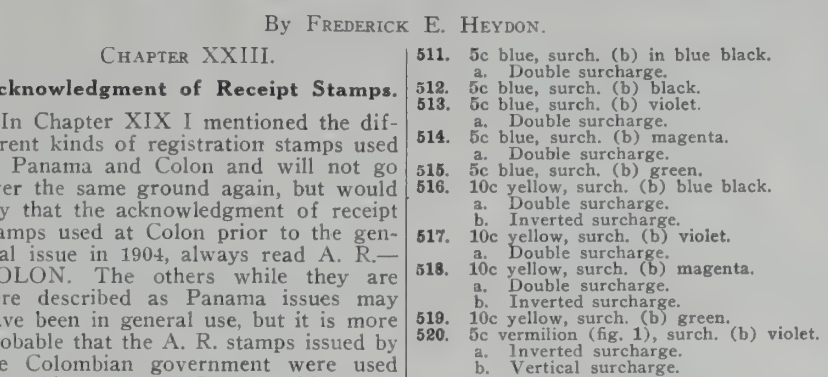
531. 5c blue, surch. Scott's (d) carmine and (b) magenta. Republica 3mm below bar.
  a. PANAMA without accent.
  b. REPUBLICA with two accents.
  c. REPUBLICA wrong font I.
  d. REPUBLICA 1mm below bar.
532. 5c blue surch. (d) carmine and (b) violet.
  a. PANAMA without accent.
  b. REPUBLICA with two accents.
  c. REPUBLICA wrong font I.
  d. REPUBLICA 1mm below bar.
533. 10c yellow, surch. (d) black and (b) magenta.
  a. PANAMA without accent.
  b. REPUBLICA with two accents.



The following list is believed to be fairly complete, but I would not advise the collecting of misplacements. I will list those issued prior to the separation of Panama from Colombia all together, without attempting to arrange chronologically. I believe this to be a hopeless task.

  c. REPUBLICA wrong font I.
  d. REPUBLICA 1mm below bar.
534. 10c yellow, surch. (d) black and (b) violet.
  a. PANAMA without accent.
  b. REPUBLICA with two accents.
  c. REPUBLICA wrong font I.
  d. REPUBLICA 1mm below bar.
535. 10c blue on bluish, surch. (d) in black.
  a. PANAMA without accent.
  b. REPUBLICA with two accents.

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536. 10c blue on bluish, surch. (d) black, with "5" handstamped over the "10", and re-correction of value to "10" in manuscript.

537. 5c blue, surch. (e) carmine and (b) magenta.
a. PANAMA up on both sides.
b. PANAMA down on both sides.
c. N at right thick and heavy.*
d. Third A at right without cross-bar.*
e. PANAMA 2mm below bar at left.
f. PANAMA third A raised (3rd printing).

* Undoubtedly existed but not reported as known. Other varieties existing in later printings of the 3rd Panama issue may be looked for and this line of research is suggested as promising considerable new data.

538. 5c blue, surch. (e) carmine, (b) magenta and (f) magenta.

This (f) is another example of the speculative Colon issue previously referred to. The surcharge was absolutely unnecessary, the surcharge (e) being entirely adequate.

539. 10c blue on bluish, surch. (f) magenta.

This latter is not quite as objectionable as the preceding, as the Colombian acknowledgment of receipt stamps undoubtedly needed some sort of a Panama surcharge to validate them. A copy on original cover would possess a certain amount of interest, but unused deserves scant recognition.

BOCAS DEL TORO ISSUE.

Colombian acknowledgment of receipt stamps are only known with the second type of surcharge, the genuineness of which has been treated elsewhere. On original covers they are entitled to recognition, as there were no other stamps of this class available there for postal use. On account of the numerous counterfeits of this type of surcharge the stamps when off covers should be carefully considered. The status of genuine copies was for a long time clouded by the spurious article.

540. 10c blue on bluish, surch. (g) violet.

We are probably safe in fixing February, 1904, as the date of issue of this stamp, as that is when the surcharge appears on the registration stamps. As no acknowledgment of receipt stamps have been reported with the first Bocas del Toro surcharge we must conclude that if such stamps were required at earlier dates (after Nov. 1, 1903), Colombian stamps were used either without surcharge or corrected with a pen. The former alternative was probably resorted to, as unsurcharged Colombian registration stamps have been seen on covers with regular postage prepaid with Colon issues.

(To be continued.)

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The Detroit Philatelic Society is called upon to record with deep sorrow, the death, on December 17, 1921, of its beloved Honorary Life Vice President, Herbert Bowen, one of its charter members, and a past Vice President of the American Philatelic Society, whose very name has for decades commanded the unqualified respect of philatelists throughout the country.

Born in East Aurora, New York, of sound old New England stock, Mr. Bowen's entire professional career began as a student in the office of Judge B. F. Graves, and all but the first twenty-one of his nearly seventy-five years of life were spent in Detroit, where, until the infirmities of age gradually forced his retirement, he occupied an increasingly honored and trusted place, not merely at the very forefront of his chosen profession of the law, but as well in activities in many and diverse lines which make for cultured, fine-grained, helpful citizenship. Naturally of a studious, historical turn of mind, he long ago attained a position of authority among those appreciative of such characteristics, which was clouded only by his unusual modesty, and his constant tendency to "hide his light under a bushel". His interest in literary matters found a congenial setting in his service as Public Library Commissioner, and the City's appreciation of his services, and of his valuable contributions to the Library's treasured holdings, is permanently expressed by the naming of one of the Branch Libraries after him.

None but his God knows more than the merest fraction of the unobtrusive, genuinely helpful efforts on behalf of the poor and the unfortunate, which have characterized the almost daily life of Mr. Bowen and his devoted wife, for many, many years. Perhaps it is well that this is so, for not only would publicity as to this, have robbed his quiet, retiring personality of much of the satisfaction which the mere doing of such good works gave him, but when now this one, and now that one, happened to learn of individual cases of this kind, invariably in a most roundabout way, the very suddenness and unusual character of the discovery could not but leave a most profound and often personally inspiring influence upon the hearer.

Naturally, we of the Detroit Philatelic Society have known Mr. Bowen most intimately along the lines of our hobby, and we leave it to his associates, in his other activities, to tell of the intimacies which bound him to them, along these lines.

His interest in philately dates back to the years when our hobby was generally regarded more as a boy's pastime, than as a fit subject for the serious attention of mature, cultured men. Collecting stamps, because he loved them as such, rather than because of the mere commercial value of this, that, or the other specimen, he long ago attained a position of authority, both local and national, that was exceeded only by the personal regard in which he was everywhere held. While he was what might be termed a "universal specialist", in that the stamps of all countries had a fascination for him, which he gratified generously, it was the stamps of our own country which really occupied first place in his affections, particularly the revenue stamps, both general issues and private proprietaries, as to which he was a country-wide authority, and his collection of which ranked among the foremost in the country, until, calmly accepting his physician's warning that his days were numbered, he undertook the distribution of his philatelic treasures among his family and friends. And it is gratifying to know that Mr. Bowen, after years of patient, uncomplaining bearing of the standard of good old substantial issues of all countries, lived to see and appreciate, with the arrival of every stamp publication, whose perusal served to while away the hours in his retirement, the gratifying way in which these untainted classics have at last forged into their deserved position of leadership.

Although Mr. Bowen's health had prevented his attendance at our meetings for some years, scarcely a meeting passed without his name being mentioned or his opinion quoted as controlling authority on what was under discussion. And it is worthy of note, that those fortunate enough to be able to quote him, had always had to ask for his opinion; he was far too modest to offer it unsolicited. He indeed will be missed, but his quiet, consistent support of everything honorable, upright, and discriminating, cannot but profoundly influence all whom he honored with his friendship, throughout the years to come.

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It has been said, not wholly without truth, that the sign of approaching age is disclosed principally in living in the past,—discussing it,—advocating it,—making part and parcel of the life today. Perhaps this is true. I shall not contradict, for am I not one who daily grows older? But, before I enter wholly into the life of yester-year, let me recall, for the delectation of the present generation, a few facts concerning the old collector,—the man who loved the bits of paper beyond words,—the dear old chap who now looks back on the dead days with secret affection and more secret misgivings.

Those *were* the good old days, gone beyond recall. Then it was not accounted almost criminal to possess a poor copy of a desired stamp. If one used the old International—and nearly every one utilized it then, a perfection stamp hob-nobbed with a torn or otherwise damaged bit of paper, and none was there to criticise or to cavil.

I have been assured that my indorsement of the damaged stamp is not making for philately. Perhaps not,—but I am firm in my own faith. Those who do not choose to be with me may fight my theories and my practises, but they do not convince me that I am wholly wrong. The inevitable question arises. Who has made us into an army of one thought? Who is responsible for the specializing, and the dicta that have come to us who love the bits of paper for the sake of the stamp and the mark of the cancel? Why should the real stamp-lover turn aside? Is it the fear of being abnormal that appalls? Then let me be the fighter, solitary and sole who makes a last stand for individuality,—for personal freedom. Let me be the one lover of stamps who would plead with my fellow collectors to enlist under the mis-prized banner. And that, as one who is mentor declares, is the true collector. Faith, hope and love for our stampic treasures,—all these point to the same end.

The past several months have meant much to me, here in the open. I have learned to visualize more and more. Whimsically, I have formed a club of one, and I think added unto it a second believer. The title is as whimsical as the idea which formulated it. I love the discards of life as well as the discards of philately. Books that are battered and tattered,—ancient albums that bear the marks of loving hands, denuded though they be of stamps that made glad some denizen of the Silent Land,—these, and many things besides.—old houses and old friends as well,—interest me mightily. And so, one day, I formed in mind only, a little club of collectors. There were to be no dues,—no sales,—but of exchanges as we may, with material in hand. It was all a vision,—a day dream, perhaps; but on this first day of the new year I would spread the good news

The Hospitalers. This is my club. It has no officers. Friendship and gentleness and peace and all the joys of collecting shall be ours. The name does not mean that the membership shall consist of those who are candidates for, or denizens of a hospital: but the stamps we collect are certainly in that category. The little club offers nothing further. It would band together the young and the old,—the real collectors,—

"The poor of purse, the poor of wit,"—if the designation is correct which certain of the purists are certain to attach to us. But, then, what does it matter? "What does anything matter?" questions a philosopher. And, knowing, we of The Hospitalers shall not question.

The Hospitalers do not seek a large membership. In fact, it does not solicit members at all. But those who feel with us,—those collectors who do not discard the torn and the heavily canceled and the damaged stamp,—those who are not affiliated wholly with the purists,—are welcome to add their names to our roster. The sole and solitary essential for membership is that love beyond words,—that reverence we all should feel for the ill-used and the mistreated, in stamps or in society. Who, then, shall be of The Hospitalers?

This is the New Year message I would send forth, through the medium of the WEEKLY to all its readers,—a good word for the lover of the bits of paper,—to those who feel and to those who think,—to those who do both: be gentle to our foibles, for have not we, too, been perfectionists in our youth? Were not these stamps we now collect and treasure once perfect of their kind? Though fallen on evil days, let us rescue them,—let us cling to them and love them. Therein is peace and joy and that contentment unknown to him who searches and finds not,—to him who belittles the stamp-lover who loves but cannot afford perhaps to enrich his album with perfection treasures. For of such is the little kingdom comprised wherein The Hospitalers throw wide the doors of welcome.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited, as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—A. M. Heikel, Crockett, Cal., writing to C. A. Pitkin for an approval selection gives the WEEKLY as reference. This action was taken without our knowledge or consent, and we desire to state publicly that dealers should in all cases communicate with us in matters of this kind.

—The C. S. Watson Co., East Dedham, Mass., is sending out the Weka Catalog at the reduced price of $1 plus postage. The catalog has sold for more and the firm is desirous of making refunds to those of their patrons who have paid a higher price.

—A subscriber in Eagle, Idaho, wishes us to advise our readers not to use nonpeelable hinges. He writes a strong letter on the subject and encloses a sample of a hinge that should be banned. He writes:—"After a young collector has made up his mind to change his stamps into a different album he will find it impossible to remove them except with the greatest difficulty. If a hinge like the enclosed is used on a mint stamp it would be impossible to detach the stamp without great injury. I bought these hinges from a man who has done a big business with beginners, and I hope that he has come to see the error of his ways."

—We have received further information in regard to D. O. Tubbs, mention of whom was made a few weeks ago. An Ohio subscriber informs us that Tubbs has figured in other discreditable transactions and that dealers should not send him any approval selections.

—The Galveston Philatelic Society has just issued a pretty prospectus for 1922. It gives the details of the twelve exhibits and entertainments offered for the meetings of the coming year.

—Ted J. Tyrrell sends us a copy of a stamp album sold by the Woolworth chain stores during the holiday season. It is some album for the price indicated, and without doubt has greatly aided in popularizing stamp collecting with the boys and girls.

—Several subscribers have sent us copies of the clipping from the Washington *Star* dealing with philately in Washington. The first was received from C. J. West, and we thank all of our readers who thus favored us.

—A subscriber wishes us to insert a notice to the effect that a certain party in Auburn, N. Y., has neglected to return an approval selection. It is not our practise to insert a notice of this kind Put any claim in the hands of an attorney and we shall be willing to take action on the report submitted to us. If we were to publish all the names sent to us as being connected with dishonest transactions we might soon find ourselves in trouble.

—A. H. Pike of Buffalo, N. Y., acknowledges the receipt of a back number of the WEEKLY needed to complete his file, secured through the courtesy of a subscriber. Mr. Pike now has a complete file of our publication and declares that it would be a difficult task for anyone to try and separate him from it.

—W. J. Zink writes us as follows:—"It may interest you to know that one Ryfkogel, with address Box 1422, Cristobal, C. Z., has been arrested by the postal authorities there and charged with violation of the U. S. postal laws. This party secured stamps under the name of H. Bregdoll, Box 656, Cristobal."

—I. O. Wiley, old-time collector of Modesto, Cal., died suddenly on January 1st, at St. Francis Hospital, San Francisco. He arrived on New Year's eve on a visit to S. F. and was taken ill suddenly with heart failure.—EDWIN P. SEEBOHM.

—Regarding the Scout Post stamps of Czechoslovakia submitted by Mr. Edward Thomson, I have had the 20h red used on cover for about a year. The cover, which bears all appearances of having seen service, is addressed to "P. T. Narodni Vybor, Praha". It bears a stamped memo "Dopis od skauts——prevzal:——" with a scrawled word which seems to be "Strettihs" filling in the first blank. On the back is stamped imprint in a double circle, "Cesky Yacht-Klub—V. Praze". I had always judged the Narodni Vybor to be a newspaper in Prague; until on closer examination I find that the stamp is cancelled with the initials N. V. in a circle, possibly handstamped. Edouard Locher of Zurich lists these two stamps under the date of 1918, and prices the pair at 10Fr. Swiss. I have not access to Senf or Michel at present, but have an idea that they also list the stamps.—HENRY A. MEYER.

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EDITORIAL.

Call—Mr Henry A. Meyer, Evansville, Indiana, writes: "I feel compelled to express myself on the article in the WEEKLY of November 5, 'Condition as Affecting Value', by Tracy W. Simpson. The first page articles in the WEEKLY as a rule are of one type, but this one was different. It ought to call out a great many comments. I have not the opportunity of collectors in large philatelic centers to mingle with other and more advanced collectors; neither do I have the long perspective of philatelic experience to give me the balanced viewpoint possessed by our older collectors. But as I see it, this plan, if followed up and worked out in practice, can be made to rank along with the arrangement made by the A. P. S. for assisting in disposing of deceased members' collections, as one of the most important pieces of constructive work for the good of our hobby in many years. In my work as teacher, as well as in stamp collecting, I have a great many side lines, and one of the most profitable is statistical methods. I am constantly using them in my school work, and I have often pondered over the possibility of using them in stamp work. Here is the plan propounded. All that is still necessary, is to make a few refinements, and put it into use. The decimal system is sound, statistically; so is the basis on which the whole idea rests. Last year I personally conducted a survey of all the school buildings of this city, and the plan of scoring was almost identical with Mr. Simpson's plan. Certain stated amounts were either added or substracted for each good feature or lack thereof, and the amount of credit or deduction was graded according to the degree of the good or bad feature, just as it is worked out in this plan. All statistical procedure has this characteristic, that even if any details should be in need of improving, as long as the basis on which it rests is theoretically and mathematically sound, the plan is usable. Let us not permit this proposition to die a natural death. It is too valuable to let it be lost. Cannot some of our societies, especially the A. P. S., take it up and formally adopt it? Nothing that I can recall has ever had the possibility in it of exerting such a stabilizing influence on the commercial side of philately, except possibly the adoption of the priced standard catalogue idea. By all means let us get together and set the good work going." The following observations are made by Mr. Meyer:

First—"Is it generally known that Anglo No. 151, the Republica surcharge on the 20r orange of the Postage Due set of Portugal, exists with the surcharge in two distinct spacings? There is almost as much difference as in the recent Newfoundland provisionals. The one variety has the clear vertical space between Republica and Acores measuring 8¼ mm., while the other has the same space measuring 9¾ mm. 8 mm and 10 mm would express the spacings accurately enough, and would be easier to grasp. Otherwise the type seems to be identical. I have not enough of the other values of the set to form an opinion which is the normal variety. These two stamps were given to me several years ago by a friend who was compelled to give up collecting, with the commission to bring them before the body of collectors."

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Second—"I wonder how many collectors of New Europe have noticed an anomalous situation in the stamps of Eastern Silesia, and if any one knows the reason for it. All are familiar with the fact that Poland in 1919 issued two permanent sets of stamps in parallel values: in fennig and marks, and in heller and kronen. The common explanation is that the fennig and marks stamps were for the portions of Poland where the German currency was still prevalent, and the heller and kronen values were for the districts where the Austrian currency was still in use. Now when it came to surcharging them for Eastern Silesia, they used the *fennig* and *kronen* values. This produces the spectacle of a set of stamps, of which the lower values are in one currency, and the upper values are in a different currency. Moreover, the difference is actually one of value, not merely a difference in name, as franc, lire and drachma. I cannot imagine how the accounts and postage rates were kept accurately, unless the fennig stamps were sold for heller values, for the Austrian currency seems to be the one used on all the other provisionals of Eastern Silesia."

Third—"In the article in the WEEKLY of July 23, the '5' Mss. Hawaii by Bruce Cartwright, the author deviates from the subject of the provisional surcharge and raises a question about the use of 13 cent stamps of Hawaii in place of 12 cent stamps of U. S., to indicate the prepayment of ship postage and U. S. Postage. The question which the author brings up is, whether the postmaster at Honolulu held the letter until a supply of 12 cent U. S. stamps arrived, and placed one near or over the Hawaiian stamp, or whether he forwarded it to San Francisco under some sort of agreement with the postmaster at that city. If I have interpreted the situation correctly, the question is answered in the WEEKLY of August 6, in the advertisement of Burger & Co. They offer on page 454 a Hawaiian cover, with an 1853, 13 cent and 1855, 5 cent used together, with U. S., 1857, 12 cents, pasted *over* the 13 cent Hawaiian stamp. This cover does not prove that this was the procedure invariably followed, but it certainly does indicate that this was the procedure followed this time. Are any covers known in which a different course of action seems to have been followed?"

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Bustle—Here is an account of "Mail Day in Antigua, B. W. I., Eighty Years Ago," transcribed by Lowell J. Ragatz, from Mrs. Flannigan's "Antigua and the Antiguans" (2 vols., London, 1844), II, pp. 216, 217: "The packet from England is signalized, and away scampers everyone to the post-office, almost before the mails are landed, to the utter consternation of the poor post-master, and, with anxious eyes and clamorous tongues, crowd the office door. At length, two or three burly sailors, followed by the commander of the packet, a lieutenant in the navy, are seen approaching the spot, bearing upon their broad-built shoulders the long-looked-for mailbags well secured in their leather envelopes. The pushing and jostling increases, as gig after gig dashes up and sets down its several passengers. Horsemen curvet about, at which lank and miserable looking dogs bark, servant-boys grin and chatter, and a group of little children, just dismissed from one of the free schools, stand gazing thereon, and wondering 'war make dem buckra care so much 'bout letter?'

Oh, what a *hurly burly* it is! what a noise and discord! what a pushing, and scrambling, and puffing, and panting! At length, the door is opened, and the postmaster announces in not very dulcent tones, 'The letters will not be out for two hours,' and closes the portal again. A look of dismay and vexation overspreads the countenances of all. The first turns to his neighbor, and he, in his turn, looks to the one behind him; one murmurs 'How provoking!', and another says 'I hate to be served so!', while one of the applicants, a melancholy-looking man, observes in an important voice, 'The letters *must* be sorted, you know.' As no good can be effected by waiting, they finally disperse, and endeavor to while away the time until, the two hours having elapsed, they again besiege the office.

A well-applied rap summons the postmaster. 'Are the letters out?' 'No, they will not be out for another hour!' Time, however, brings many things to pass, and the letters are at length sorted. Happy now does that individual feel himself whose name begins with an 'A' for they always conduct this business alphabetically. A silence ensues, the letters are distributed, and, too anxious to know their contents, their several receivers open them on the spot.

Various is the intelligence received, as seal after seal is broken—manifold the subjects discussed. Some talk of failure of mercantile houses, others of legacies received or in prospect; some descant upon politics, and others upon the price of sugars; while another group peruse the London newspapers, inspect carefully the list of births, deaths and marriages and bankruptcies, look to see what the Queen and the court are doing, and then go forth to publish the 'varied accounts by flood and

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Epistle—We have a letter from Joe Plop: dere fren Severn. im goin rite to you for ask you whats a matter you no print in your paper nothing no moar news about timbres de retour. she is what you call it Official seals. nobodie never send me to it nothing no moar. las year i get two tree foar chine official seals postidge stamps from feller in Hackensack shes advertise in your paper cost to me foar cents I bie it holesail all shes got? nother feller down philadevil shes send me nise sheet U. s. states official Seals non denteles, how you say — sans Perferotations. you ot to see her she is beautie unite states. i like get it entire sheets timbres de retour for mi colleckshion. i dont colleck no other kind stamps no moar. you got it to sell for me i like bye it, you no got it keep it i fine it some other feller. last summer im gone to Washington. by gosh im found one feller in bank upstairs she got tu sheets canal boat zone official seals i bie it cost to me sick bits, how you say it chicago monie—tree quarters maybe, down Montreal she say fortie sous by gosh lots a monie, i not care she cost a lots a monie i got bie her for mi colleckshion. you forget las august i come chicago i go down sick flight stair fine your offis you got Honk horn official seal postidge stamp you give her to me rite off for nothing? by gosh im tickle to get her she please to me ver much. im moar please to me for get good stamp she dont cost to me nothing a tall. monie shes awful tight so i like it you give it to me for nothing. whats a matter you only got one Honk Horn chine official seals for give to me. i like it get hole sheet five sick differents kind everie countrie put it in my book. you ot to see it. you send it to me by gorrie i bie it rite off for post offis monie order nex male i get her.

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Among those who are mentioned as actively engaged in stamp collecting are Senator Joseph S. Frelinghuysen; Lady Geddes, wife of Sir Auckland Geddes, the British Ambassador; Representative Ernest R. Ackerman of New Jersey; Major General H. H. Bandholtz; Mrs. Warren I. Glover, wife of the Third Assistant Postmaster General, with a collection of 18,000; Nelson B. Gaskill, chairman of the Federal Trade Commission; Senator Henry F. Ashurst of Arizona; Representatives Clifton N McArthur of Oregon, John D. Cremer of Michigan, F. W. Dallinger of Massachusetts, L. C. Crampton of Michigan; Col. Spencer Cosby of the 5th Engineers; and Charles Lathrop Pack, who maintains offices in Washington as president of the American Forestry Association.

This list of Washingtonians, who are interested in philately, will come as a great surprise to a great many readers of the WEEKLY, who while familiar with some of the names had little idea of the extent of the hobby in the diplomatic and legislative life of Washington. We shall reprint the article from the *Star* (at least in part), if we can secure permission so to do.

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Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Our readers have probably noticed that the 2c engraved stamps now being sold at the different post offices throughout the country are in a much deeper shade than those issued previous to the time of the 2c surface prints. In fact ever since the surfaced printed stamp came to an end last September I have seen nothing else other than those of the dark color. In comparing them with those issued previously I find that we have never had this stamp so dark before. Although I have about a dozen different shades in blocks in my collection, picked up at different times, none of them compare with the present. The ink is possibly different or else they are sticking closer to their formula, for the deep shade is pretty constant.

It seems somewhat odd that in the case of the current perforated 11, unwatermarked series that the shades of the lower values are more or less constant while several of the higher values vary so greatly that we almost have a different variety. The $1 denomination, for instance, comes in a brownish shade vastly different from the others, the 50c comes in a red violet and in a lilac, the color showing as much difference as the 50c and the 3c. The 30c has also been found in a light yellowish orange strongly resembling the light shade of the 50c, 1894.

The one dollar is really an important variety, worthy of catalogue rank and while the stamp is somewhat plentiful used it is really scarce in unused condition. There must have been but one printing and this very small.

Mr. L. A. Boone writes to inform us that the pink back special deliveries have been found in a small post office outside of Asheville. I imagine that these must be from the first lot found in Philadelphia, for it seems that the entire second supply which I have been informed amounted to 200,000 copies was sold exclusively in Washington.

Rev. E. M. Gearhart has shown me a very unusual block of fifteen (3x5) of the $1 green, documentary stamp, overprinted "Stock Transfer" showing five stamps without surcharge. This was caused by a corner of the sheet being folded at the time it was overprinted. The piece is probably unique and is a great addition to any revenue collection. The same gentleman shows me copies of the 2c, 4c and 10c of the same series with a shifted or double overprint and the 2c and 20c with the same itself double, the surcharge being normal. Mr. G. P. Smith has also been fortunate in locating a pair of the 10c documentary, double impression, without surcharge.

Two new provisional envelopes reach me this week from Mr. E. C. Brown, which have not been chronicled heretofore.

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CENTRAL LITHUANIA.—The Economist Stamp Co. have sent for chronicle a copy of a new 150m stamp of a new type. The centre shows a portrait of what appears to be a military officer with some words on each side of the circle that enclose the picture, but the printing is indistinct and it is very difficult to read. At the top is the usual name of the country and at the base "Poczta" and value. The colors are pale green and red brown.

CONGO.—The Economist Stamp Co. advise that the 3frs and the 5frs of the 1910 issue have been surcharged "1921" in black.

COSTA RICA.—The Economist Stamp Co. inform us of the 15c purple of a new type, the stamp showing the likeness of Bolivar in the centre with the figure of value at each side and the words "Quince Centimos" at the base. At the top is the name of the country with "Correos" just below and at each side "U P U 1921."

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LUXEMBURG.—Mr. Henry Hooreman and the Economist Stamp Co. have submitted to us copies of the 2c stamp of the 1906-8 issue, No. 76, with the surcharge "6" in red between the two figures of value in the lower corners. Two horizontal bars obliterate the former figures.

MALTA.—Mr. Louis Carabott advises that the 1d current type stamp has appeared on the script watermarked paper and is printed from plate 3.

NEW HEBRIDES.—The Economist Stamp Co. advise that the 1d, 2d and 6d stamps of the 1911 issue are appearing on the script watermarked paper.

NIGER TERRITORY.—Mr. Henry Hooreman has shown us the 1914 and 1917 issues of Upper Senegal and Niger surcharged "Territoire Du Niger" in two lines in black. The 1914 issue of postage due stamps have been overprinted with the same words but of smaller letters. The color of the surcharge is the same as the regular issue and is in two lines.

PALESTINE.—The Economist Stamp Co. submit for chronicle the 4m, 1pia, 2pia and 5pia with the new London surcharge. They also add that the 9, 1 and 20pia have also been issued with the same overprint.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.—The Economist Stamp Co. advise us of the appearance of 20c, perforated 11, no watermark and the 30c, perf. 11 with watermark.

SWITZERLAND.—Mr. Frank Koche calls our attention to a letter just received cancelled by a cancelling machine and notes that no value of postage is mentioned by the new method. The letter was posted in St. Gall.

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MY CITY OF DEAD STAMPS.

BY LOWELL J. RAGATZ.

It was by mere accident that I discovered my city of dead stamps. It is in the document room of a famous library which has, so my friends jestingly declare, become my second home, and many the times I had found traces of it before, by chance, I happened upon the city itself.

I call it "mine" because I am its discoverer, and am the only one who has yet seen it through philatelic eyes. I call the stamps themselves "dead" because they can play as little a part in the collecting world as can the plaster casts of the ash-buried folk of the museums of Pompeii in affairs of to-day.

This city of dead stamps has its streets—long aisles of metal cases; it has its many storied houses—shelved steel cabinets, securely locked. During the course of several years my research work on frontier society had taken me from what I now call one "street" to another, from what I choose to term this "house" to that, but these scratches in the surface soil covering the city, as it were, had not revealed the latter to me.

To be sure, a lone document now and then drew my attention because of some embossed colonial revenue it bore, but these aroused no particular interest, and like the plowboy working near Vesuvius, stumbling off and on upon some carved stone brought to the surface by his tool, I went about my prosaic task unheeding and regardless. Then on one long-to-be-remembered day came the great discovery.

It was the morning of a winter Saturday; the whole unbroken day lay before me when I began looking over the papers in the first of a number of bundles of correspondence addressed to a mid-west real estate dealer from the late 40's on. Almost the first one gave me a thrill, for on the address side of the letter sheet was as beautiful a pair of 1847 5c as I had ever seen! I picked up the next—it bore another pair; the third a nice 10c, the fourth—!

All thought of careful study that day vanished as in thin air. The envelope rather than the letter sides took up my interest. Over half of the papers in that first bundle bearing 1847's! There they were, in singles and numerous pairs with an occasional strip, mostly in superb condition, as the addressee had filed the letters in his records with care.

The first bundle was but a foretaste. Other lots of documents revealed an increasing number of stamped letters, and "Paid" ones became less numerous. The 51's were amply represented in all values. There were enough of the 12c to stock up Nassau Street's largest dealer; the 5c was there in a score of singles and several pairs. As for the 1857 1c to 24c, their number seemed legion. And scattered here and there, as if for the sake of greater variety, were European number ones in large rate postage combinations.

Hundreds of letters up to the 60's, almost each one bearing something of philatelic interest. From the West was a series of them from a prospector who spoke of luck being "agin" him, and who used pairs of imperforate 12c from various points in California, marking all his letters "By Overland at Panama"; from the East, notes of inquiry from doctors, lawyers and merchants, regarding the cost of quarter-sections, franked with stamps of various denominations and making up strange rates. From England there were big blocks of penny blacks with red Maltese cross cancellations on crested sheets from an English lord who wished to know whether the Indians were thick, and whether or not it was true that there were no bath-tubs to be had in the lakes region, in which event he would of course have to bring his tub with him when he made his trip.

There, too, was correspondence from a widow in Tuscumbia, Alabama, regarding the sale of some "lots" in a mythical city, which her husband had been beguiled into buying, which brought back pleasant memories of that sleepy little Southern town famous philatelically for its Confederate States local, a copy of which a fellow-collector was so fortunate as to discover while I was wintering in that neighborhood some years ago.

Few of the letters after 1860 bore stamps, for envelopes had then come into general use and these had not, of course, been saved. To little loss, doubtless, for the day of American classics was then for the most part over.

Time passed all too quickly, what with my gazing at these treasures, and pausing now and then to read a snatch of what was written. The closing gong and an attendant's "Sorry, but we'll have to lock the papers up now" brought back to mind all that I had intended to accomplish, yet there was no feeling of regret.

My work suffered somewhat after that, I must confess, for the temptation to look chiefly at the address sides of sheets was well-nigh irresistible. What wonder, since the stamps were so often there? A fortune for some dealer, you say? Yes, they would be, but these beauties will never grace the pages of an album; never will they leave my "city." For these are "dead" stamps; they are public property, attached to documents whose authenticity they aid in attesting, and they can never be legally removed.

I have about finished my work of excavation and exploration, as I term it. I know where to lay hands upon the choicest pieces, and seldom a day passes but what I take a peep. Entering the room and passing between its rows of locker-cases brings memories of Pompeii and its *Casa di Marco Olconio;* the stopping at a case and opening it to glance over its contents recalls pausing at the window of a ruin-home and looking in at the floor mosaics and faded frescoes. There always, but for the most part unseen; there for all who will to look at but never own, these gems of classic issue times in my city of dead stamps.

METERED MAIL CANCELLATIONS.

Jos. A. Steinmetz calls our attention to what he considers an interesting sideline, viz.:—the collecting of metered mail cancellations. We heartily endorse the sentiments expressed by Mr. Steinmetz in his letter and quote as follows:—

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The specimens submitted by Mr. Steinmetz consisted of New York metered numbers 1007, 1009, 1013, 1017 and Philadelphia No. 1014. The WEEKLY cannot undertake to chronicle all the variety of these markings as they appear from time to time, but an article dealing with this side-line in which the issued may be summarized will be received with interest.

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We are unable to do full justice to Mr. Sisson's philatelic career. He has long been interested in philately and is reputed to have possessed a very fine collection. He had served as president of the St. Louis Stamp Collectors' Society and in recent years has dealt in stamps quite extensively. He was a member of the A. P. S.

He retired as chief clerk of the R. G Dunn & Co. in July, 1920, after twenty-one years of service, at which time he left Webster Groves and took up his residence in Chicago. He is survived by a widow, two sons and a daughter.

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2.	CC, perf. 12½, 6p orange, a good copy	48	4.00	1.50
3.	**Bavaria** 1862, 12kr green, very fine	13	2.00	1.20
4.	1862, 12kr green, fine	13	2.00	1.00
5.	**Postage Due,** 3kr black, fair	401	13.50	3.00
6.	**Bermuda** 1873, 3p buff, fine	6	3.00	1.50
7.	1875, 1p on 1sh green, fine	14	5.00	2.50
8.	**Bolivia** 1866, 5c grey lilac, black postmark, fine	3	15.00	7.50
9.	1866, 5c rose lilac, very fine penstroked	3a	5.00	3.00
0.	**Brazil** 1843, 60r black, good copy	2	10.00	4.00
1.	1850, 30c black, very fine vertical pair	23	..	.75
2.	**Bremen** 1861, 3gr blue, perf., centered, looks exceptionally fine, minute thinning on lower margin, design not touched	9	40.00	14.00
3.	1866, 2gr orange, a good copy, rare postmk.	11	35.00	15.00
4.	**British Central Africa** 1893, 3sh brown and green, very fine	18	1.25	.60
5.	1895, 1sh rose and black, fine	25	3.00	1.50
6.	**Bechuanaland** 1887, 1, 2sh grn., 2 fine copies	16,17	3.25	1.60
7.	**British East Africa** 1895, ½a bistre brown, fine	38	2.50	1.35
8.	**British Honduras** 1872, perf. 12½, 3p brown, only fair but rare	5	8.00	2.00
9.	**Brunswick** 1852, 1sgr rose, very fine, enormous margins at top and bottom	1	30.00	20.00
0.	1852, another copy, fine on piece, minute crease	1	30.00	12.00
1.	another good copy	1	30.00	14.00
2.	3sgr vermilion, fine	3	22.50	12.50
3.	1853, 3sgr black on rose, very fine	7	4.00	2.20
4.	1861, ½gr black on green, fine	11	6.00	3.00
5.	1864, Perce en Arc, 1sgr black on yellow, perfs. gone at top as usually, otherwise fine	15	200.00	40.00
6.	1864, 1sgr yellow on white, very fine	17	8.00	4.75
7.	another copy, fine	17	8.00	4.00
8.	vertical pair, and single copy, forming a strip of three on piece, exceptionally fine	17	24.00	20.00
9.	**Buenos Ayres** 1858, 1p light brown, very fine except slight crease at corner	1	50.00	19.00
0.	1858, 4r dark brown, very fine	6	40.00	28.00
1.	1860, 1p blue, very fine	10	8.00	5.50
2.	1861, 2p rose, wonderful appearance, minute defect	11a	25.00	10.00
3.	**Canada** 1852, 6p purple black, margins all around, a good copy	5	30.00	18.00
4.	1852, 19p blue, slightly cancelled, no margins	7	25.00	5.00
5.	another copy, looks exceptionally fine, margins added	7	25.00	3.00
6.	1857, ½p rose, close at top, otherwise a good copy	8	12.50	2.50
7.	7½p green, pencanc., slightly touched at top, otherwise fine	9	25.00	6.00
8.	1859, 17c blue, centered S	20	3.00	.90
9.	1868, 15c lilac, nice horizontal pair on piece, centered E	27	2.00	1.00
0.	1897, $2 dark purple, somewhat heavily cancelled	62	1.75	.75
1.	**Registered** St. 8c blue, minute tear at left, otherwise fine	254	6.00	2.00
2.	**Cape of Good Hope** 1853, 4p blue on bluish, fine	2	6.00	3.50
3.	1855, 1sh yellow green, looks very fine, but only fair	6	15.00	6.00
4.	**Ceylon** 1863, CC ½p lilac, perfection	45	3.00	1.75
5.	1885, 10c on 24c purple brown, perfection	119	2.50	1.50
6.	**Chamba** 1886, 1r carmine rose and green perfection	12	.75	.40
7.	**Chile** 1862, 1c lemon yellow, postmarked, fine	11	5.00	3.00
8.	1862, 1c bank canc., good	11	5.00	1.00
9.	20c green, enormous margins, but tear at top	13	7.50	1.80
0.	1911, 20c orange red and black, **center inverted,** a perfect copy	105a	50.00	18.00
1.	**China** 1912, 16, 20, 50c, $1, in mint state	127, 128, 130, 131	2.80	1.40
2.	1912, $1 brown red, a good copy	170	1.75	.75
3.	**Colombian Republic** 1859, 5c lilac, 10c yellow buff; 1860, 2½c green; 1864, 1p red violet, all stamps more or less damaged, but good appearance		29.00	3.00
4.	1861, 10c blue, looks v. fine, but repaired	16	10.00	1.00
5.	**Antioquia** 1875, 5c green, slightly damaged	22	2.50	.30
6.	**Tolima** 1884, 25c, 5pe, 10pe, minute defects		4.25	.60
7.	1886, imperf. 5c brown, superb copy on piece pencancellation as usually, very rare	57	..	3.00
8.	same, slightly creased	57	..	1.00
9.	**Congo** 1886, 5frs lilac, fine o. g.	5	10.00	5.00
0.	same, not so well centered	5	10.00	4.00
1.	**Danish West Indies** 1867, 3c rose yellowish paper, scarce thus, fine	2	3.00	1.60
2.	1867, 3c carmine rose, very fine, no gum	2a	10.00	6.50
3.	1872, perf. 12½, 3c rose, good	3a	4.00	2.50
4.	1873, 12c red lilac and green, full gum on face and back, thus very rare	11	..	1.00
5.	**Denmark** 1853, 2sk blue, fine, full o. g.	3	1.25	.60
6.	**Dominica** 1874, perf. 12½, 1sh deep lilac rose, small inkspot, otherwise fine	3	6.50	2.00
7.	**Dominican Republic,** Nos. 10, 11, 12, 28, 30, 31, all slightly defective as usual, but a fine lot		26.00	4.00
8.	1870, 1r dark green, diagonal half used as ½r, fine on piece and very rare	31a	..	5.00
9.	**Dutch Indies** 1864, 10c lake, fine on piece	1	5.00	4.00
0.	**Ecuador** 1897, 10c dark brown, diagonal half used as 5c, on piece, fine and rare, not listed	130	..	.50
1.	**French Colonies** 1876, 2c red brown, a good copy of this rare stp.	20	20.00	8.00
2.	—**Offices in China** 1902, 5frs red lilac, full o. g., minute thinning	831	6.00	1.25
3.	—**in Zanzibar** 1896, 20a on 2frs brown, fine	2827	3.00	1.40
4.	1902, 20a on 2frs, fine	2848	5.00	2.25
5.	**French Guinea** 1900, 50c brown on azure, mint	17	3.50	1.60
6.	**French India** 1900, 10, 15, 25, 50c, mint	14-17	6.30	2.80
7.	**German Empire** 1872, 1, 3 and 7kr, wonderful, on piece, a nice combination	6, 9, 10	1.10	.55
8.	1872, 2kr orange, pair and single, 1872, 1kr green, very fine on piece	8, 21	3.20	2.25
9.	1874, 2½ on 2½ green brown, 9 on 9kr brown, 2 fine copies	27, 28	2.70	1.50
0.	**Gold Coast** 1898, 1sh, 2sh, very fine	31, 32	2.75	1.50
1.	**Great Britain** 1902, **Govt. Parc.** 9p ultramarine and violet, very fine	440	1.00	.50
2.	1902, **O. W. Off.,** 2p green and carmine, very fine on piece	458	1.50	.75
3.	**Hamburg** 1864, 4s yellow green, fine	20	2.00	1.10
4.	1864, 7s violet, interesting overinked plate, very fine	22	..	1.50
5.	1867, 2½s dull green, a good copy	26	3.00	1.60
6.	**Hawaiian Islands** 1868, 13c dull rose, minute thinning, otherwise very fine	9b	25.00	7.50
7.	1893, 15c red brown, the error 1393 instead of 1893, extremely rare and fine, o. g.	17	..	6.00
8.	**Hanover** 1856, 1/15th black and blue, a good copy	13	4.00	2.00
9.	1864, 1gr rose gum, a wonderful vertical mint pair, the extremely rare variety, not roul. between	27	..	10.00
0.	**Hong Kong** 1876, 16c on 18c lilac, good	23	4.00	1.80
1.	**Hungary** 1871, lithog. 2k orange, minute defect at right only in margins, otherwise fine	1	10.00	3.50
2.	**India** 1854, 1a red, good	4	1.50	.75
3.	***Ionian Islands** 1859, 1p blue, good, full o. g.	2	2.50	1.25
4.	***Jamaica** 1917, War stamp, ½p green, surcharge inverted, mint, not listed and extremely rare	307	..	5.00
5.	**Japan** 1874, 30s gray, minute thinning, not worth mentioning, otherwise very fine	39	4.00	1.00
6.	**Labuan** 1880, 8c and 12c carmine, perfection	14	3.00	1.50
7.	***1883, CA, 16c dark blue, a perfect copy	18	6.00	3.00
8.	**Liberia** 1901-2, **"Ordinary,"** 1c green, very fine	79	1.50	.80
9.	1915, 50c on $2 deep green and black, surcharge inverted, perfect copy, not listed, extremely rare	146	..	4.00
0.	**Official,** 1892, $2 brown on yellow, fine	361	2.50	1.25
1.	**Official,** 1892, $5 carmine and black, very fine	362	4.00	2.25
2.	***Lourenzo Marques** 1915, ½c on 5c orange, ½ on ½c black, two unsevered pairs, v. fine	138-139	3.00	1.30
3.	***Mauritius** 1862, 6p slate, perfection	22	1.50	.75
4.	*1862, block of 4, rare	22	6.00	4.00
5.	**Mecklenburg - Schwerin** 1856, 4/4s red, very fine	1	12.00	7.00
6.	***1856, 3s yellow, very fine, full o. g.	2a	6.00	3.50
7.	1864, 6/4s red, cut wrong way, fine and odd	5	6.00	3.00
8.	***1865-66, 2s red violet, perfection	7a	12.00	7.00
9.	3s orange, large size, fine, well centered, thus very rare	8	8.00	5.00
0.	***Mexico** 1856, 2r blue green, very fine	3a	6.00	3.00
1.	***1856, 8r red violet, superb in every respect	5	20.00	12.00
2.	a used copy, superb	5	15.00	10.00
3.	***1861, 4r black on yellow, somewhat close at left, otherwise fine, mint	9	7.00	1.75
4.	1864, 1r ultramarine, enormous margins on 3 sides, large figures	22b	4.00	1.75
5.	***8r red, a splendid copy, traces of o. g.	25	30.00	12.00
6.	***same, without name, superb and very rare	25a	..	12.00
7.	1867, 4r red on yellow, fine	38	3.00	1.50
8.	4r rose on bluish, slightly creased at left, otherwise good	45	12.50	2.50
9.	1913, 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50c, mint	347-352	4.60	2.00
0.	***Guadalajara** 1867, 4r blue, perfection	30	2.50	1.25
0a.	1867, 1r blue, 4r rose, very fine, on piece together	38, 12	19.50	8.00
1.	**Montserrat** 1884, CA, 2½p red brown, good	7	7.50	3.00
2.	***Nabha** 1885, **Service,** 12a violet on red, mint	113	3.50	1.75
3.	**Natal** 1857, 3p rose, close at bottom as usual, otherwise a good copy on piece	1	20.00	4.00
4.	1861, 3p blue, horizontal pair, exceptionally fine	11	3.00	3.00
5.	1870, 3p ultramarine, good	39	1.50	.60
6.	***Nevis** 1867, 4p orange, small defect at top, nevertheless a good copy	10	15.00	4.00
7.	**New Foundland** 1857, 1p violet brown, good	1a	8.00	2.00
8.	1860, 4p orange, no margins, slight defect at top, but a great rarity	12	45.00	6.00
9.	*1866, 2c green, some perfs. clipped	24	2.00	.60
0.	5c brown, clipped at one corner	25	10.00	2.50
1.	10c black, perfs. touch at left	26	3.00	.75
2.	same, good	26	3.00	1.50
3.	1868, 1c brown lilac, tear at right	30a	3.50	.60
4.	3c blue, very fine, double perfs. at top	32	1.50	1.00
5.	5c black, corner added, good appearance	33	7.00	.90
6.	**New South Wales** 1850, Sidney, 3p green, good	9	30.00	12.00
	1851, **Proof,** 8p blue instead of yellow, superb, with wide margins	17	..	3.00
7.	same, no leaves at right of SOUTH, superb, very rare	17	..	4.00
8.	same, no triangles in the corner above POSTAGE, superb, very rare	17	..	3.50
9.	1854, **Proof,** 8p blue instead of yellow, slight thinning, otherwise very fine	30	..	3.00
0.	**New Zealand** 1862, 2p blue, fine margins	19	2.50	1.50
1.	1871, 6p blue, very fine, on piece	40	1.25	.80
2.	***North German P. D.,** 1868, 1gr rose, vertical strip of three, very fine, full o. g.	4	6.00	3.00
3.	*1868, 18kr bistre, very fine o. g., marginal inscription at right, very rare	11	1.50	1.00
4.	*1869, 1, 2, 3, 7kr, fine, no gum	19-22	2.20	1.00
5.	—**Officials** 1870, ¼, ½, ½, 1 and 2gr, fine set	27-31	2.50	1.25
6.	**Norway** 1863, 3s gray lilac, small defect	7	8.50	1.80
7.	**Nova Scotia** 1851, 1p red brown, minute pencross, barely visible, o. g., a very fine copy, with enormous margins, minute trace of gum crease	1	25.00	19.00
8.	1851, same, touched at right, otherwise fine	1	25.00	11.00
9.	*3p dark blue, good margins all sides, full o. g. gum crease invisible at front	3	20.00	10.00
0.	*6p dark green, good margins 3 sides, slightly touched on fourth, a trifle thin, but splendid appearance	5	100.00	21.00
1.	1860, 5c blue, very fine	10	1.00	.75
2.	— fine	10	1.00	.60
3	*10c vermilion, good copy	12	2.00	.80
4.	— vermilion, good	12	2.00	.80
5.	— vermilion on yellowish paper, fine	12a	2.50	1.40
6.	**Oldenburg** 1852, 1/30th blue, very fine	1	3.00	2.00
7.	1852, — fine	1	3.00	1.50
8.	1861, 3gr yellow, peculiar thinning, not worth mentioning, otherwise a splendid copy	15	60.00	25.00
9.	**Perak Off. Stamp,** 8c orange, good	155	3.00	1.30
0.	**Persia** 1875, 4s vermilion roul., fine	13	3.00	1.50
1.	***Peru** 1858, 1p rose red, a fine copy of this very rare stamp	4	35.00	12.50
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3.	**Portugal** 1862, 50r yellow green, a good copy	15	2.50	1.25
4.	1866, 120r blue, fine	24	3.00	1.50
5.	***Portuguese India** 1872, 40r blue, mint	20	3.50	1.75
6.	1877, 100r green, very fine for this stamp	51	8.00	4.00
7.	**Prussia** 1857, 1, 3sg, fine	6,8	3.00	1.60
8.	1858, 4pf green, very fine	9	3.00	1.80
9.	1sg pink, horizontal pair, very fine	11	..	.50
0.	*1861, 3, 4, 6pf, 1, 2, 3sg mint	14-17, 19, 20	..	1.00
1.	1866, 10sg rose, fine	21	6.00	3.00
2.	**Rhodesia** 1890, £2 rose, black canc., very fine	13	10.00	2.00
3.	1890, £2 rose, 1901, £10 blue lilac, fiscal canc., very fine	13, 68	1.60	.75
4.	**Roumania** 1858, **27pa black on rose, a very fine copy in spite of 2 minute defects, one of**			

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421.	— light blue, looks very fine, slightly thin 13	2.00	.75
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429.	*5g vermilion, a wonderful copy, full o.g. 14	20.00	15.00
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436.	*10g dark blue, good copy, o. g. 16	15.00	7.50
437.	— do., a good copy, o. g. 16	15.00	7.50
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448.	**South Australia** 1856, 1p yellow green, slightly touched at lower right side, otherwise fine copy of this rare stamp 5	25.00	8.00
449.	1860, 10p on 9p yellow, roul. on all sides, thus rare, a good copy; not quite well centered as usual 23	6.00	2.50
450.	***South Bulgaria** 1885, 5pa violet, 10pa green, mint expertized Thier, Glasewald 28, 37	4.00	2.00
451.	**Eastern Roumelia** 1881, 10pa black and red lilac, a good copy, expertised Thier.....9	4.00	1.90
452.	**Spain** 1873, 20c de p black, very fine 194	1.50	.80
453.	1874, **Carlist Stamp,** 1r brown, superb on piece 612	2.00	1.25
454.	**Spanish Offices in Morocco** 1903, 4p dull violet, good 12, 13	6.25	3.00
455.	***Straits Settlements** 1883, 2c on 5c ultramarine, perfection 55	3.00	1.65
456.	**Tasmania** 1856, unwmkd., 2p emerald green, splendid appearance, but skilfully repaired 8	25.00	4.00
457.	**Thurn and Taxis** 1852-59, ¼ and ½sgr, together on piece, fine 1, 9	4.50	2.50
458.	1867, 3sgr bistre, fine..32	3.50	1.85
459.	**Tobago** 1879, CC, 1p rose, fine 1	3.00	1.60
460.	1880, CC, 1p red brown, good 9	6.00	3.00
461.	1882, CA, 1p red brown, ish olive bistre, fine 15,23	1.75	.90
462.	*4p yellow green, fine no gum 17	15.00	7.50
463.	1882-84, Scott Nos. 14, 16, 21	1.25	.60
464.	**Transvaal** 1875, 6p blue, nice horizontal pair, somewhat close on 2 sides 41a	7.50	3.00
465.	1877, V. R., 3p lilac on green, somewhat thinned as usual and close at right.....85	3.00	.75
466.	*1900, 2sh 6p heliotrope and green, mint..210	1.00	.50
467.	*10sh red brown, mint 212	3.00	1.75
468.	*1902, 2sh brown and black, mint 250	3.50	2.00
469.	*5sh violet and black on yellow, mint..260	3.00	1.75
470.	2sh 6p black and violet, good 259	1.50	.75
471.	**Trinidad** 1851 (1p) blue, close at bottom, otherwise a good copy.....3	6.00	1.25
472.	*1854 (1p) blackish violet, slightly close at bottom, o. g. 8	2.50	.75
473.	*1855 (1p) dull red, lithographed, tear at top, otherwise good 13a	7.50	1.25
474.	1859, 6p green, fine copy of this extremely rare stamp 16	50.00	30.00
475.	1863, 4p dull violet, thick paper, good....40	10.00	5.00
476.	1864,CC, (1p)lake,good 48a	1.25	.60
477.	(1p) carmine, good..48c	1.00	.50
478.	1869, 5sh dull lake, very fine appearance, one corner skilfully repaired 54	10.00	1.25
479.	1876. 6p bright green, 1sh orange yel., fine 59,60	2.75	1.50
480.	**Turkey** 1863. 2pi greenish blue, fine 4	5.00	2.50
481.	1901, 25pi dark green, fine 108	2.00	1.00
482.	1905, 25 & 50pi, good 126-27	2.75	1.30
483.	*1863, **Post. Due St.** 20pa red brown. slightly gum creased, invisible on front, otherwise very fine, full o. g. 1401	4.00	1.60
484.	***Turks Islands** 1867, 1p rose, good 1	5.00	2.00
485.	1881, 4p ultramarine, good 38	4.00	1.80
486.	***Uruguay** 1859, 100c brown rose, fine, no gum....9a	20.00	9.00
487.	1860, 60c dull lilac, fine 13	4.00	2.25
488.	— red lilac, fine....13c	4.00	2.25
489.	120c, deep blue, minute thinning under hinge, otherwise very fine 16a	5.00	1.50
490.	1864, 6c rose, fine.....18	3.50	2.00
491.	6c carmine, rare shade, slightly thinned, otherwise fine....18b	12.50	3.00
492.	12c blue, fine 23	4.00	2.25
493.	*1866, 1c black, Type I, very fine 29	1.50	.80
494.	5c blue, very fine 30	1.00	.70
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Justice Sears yesterday (Dec. 31), handed down a decision in the lawsuit of Frank A. Halladay, executor of the last will and testament of Alice F. Halladay, against Harrison B. McGraw, an assignee, for the benefit of creditors of George F. Worthington, one of the most complicated cases that has come before the courts in several years. The decision practically divides about $101,000, which sum was the bone of contention between plaintiff and defendant.

The case attracted considerable attention, because a stamp collection, valued at about $1,000,000 and known internationally, figured in it. The stamp collection was owned by Worthington, a Cleveland man. On May 7, 1912, Worthington executed and delivered to Mrs. Halladay a promissory note wherein, on or about two years from date, for value received, he promised to pay plaintiff $337,500. At the same time he executed and delivered to the plaintiff a chattel mortgage covering a stamp collection as collateral security to the payment of said note.

In January, 1916, the plaintiff instituted an action in the supreme court of Erie county against Worthington and McGraw, who has been named assignee for the benefit of creditors under an assignment executed on September 28, 1915, wherein she sought to have determined the amount due to her on the said note; that she be declared to have a first lien on the stamp collection and that she had a right to sell the collection, according to law, to satisfy the lien, costs of action and expense of sale. On February 16, 1917, judgment was entered determining the validity of the note and the chattel mortgage and giving the right to sell the stamps.

Mrs. Halladay employed an expert, Warren H. Colson, to sell the stamps, and he went all over the world, selling some and placing others in the hands of dealers. McGraw, as assignee of Worthington, who had been declared bankrupt, went to Mrs. Halladay with the money. Worthington owed and demanded the stamps. Mrs. Halladay gave him what stamps she had left and managed to recover some others.

For the rest of the amount and for other financial details of the case, Mrs Halladay placed about $101,000 in t in the name of Wallace Thayer, counsel, and Daniel J. Kenefick, cou for McGraw. She consented to the posit of about $55,000 of this amo says Justice Sears, to assure herself full payment when Colson returned her the stamps and she in turn livered them to their owner, McGr while the defendant consented to deposit of this sum to insure the re of all unsold stamps, together with fair market value of all stamps otherwise accounted for which M Halladay might not be able to retur

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

ADVERTISING CANCELLATIONS.

By A. H. PIKE, Buffalo, N. Y.

Here is something of more than passing interest to philatelists as well as the postmark collector and it is a regrettable fact that so little has appeared on the subject in the hobby press.

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(In the Washington Sunday *Star* of January 1, appeared a very fine special feature entitled "Stamp Collecting is a Favorite Pastime in Legislative and Diplomatic Circles". It was written by Will P. Kennedy of the *Star* staff and shows an expert knowledge of philately as well as a keen newspaper instinct. It was illustrated by the picture of Senator Frelinghuysen and his family shown above, and made possible through the courtesy of the management of the *Star*. We thank this publication for its kindness not only in permitting the reprinting of the article, but in supplying us with the Frelinghuysen family photograph, which was taken by Pridgeon, their staff artist. Curiously enough, when we wrote the editor of the *Star* we received a letter from Mr. Kennedy in which he said:—"You probably do not remember me, but I lived in Beverly from 1900 to 1906. The reason why this article was used in the *Star* unsigned was because I had another article in the editorial section." We congratulate Mr. Kennedy and philately as well upon this splendid piece of publicity. We are using only a portion of the article this week and the balance may appear in a later number.—W. O. W.)

Senator Frelinghuysen and his children are enthusiastic stamp collectors. The children, from left to right, are: Joseph S., Jr.; Victoria and Emily. The albums in the photograph are filled with stamps.

In Congress and the official and diplomatic circles of the capital are gathered some of the world's most enthusiastic and best-informed stamp collectors. Here are the names of some of them:

Senator Joseph S. Frelinghuysen, whose three children have joined him in the alluring quest; Lady Geddes, wife of Sir Auckland Geddes, the British ambassador, who has an unusually good collection; Representative Ernest R. Ackerman of New Jersey, who has traveled in more than 100 countries, making more than forty trips across the ocean, and who has collected stamps of rare historic value everywhere throughout the world; Maj. Gen. H. H. Bandholtz, provost marshal general of the American expeditionary forces, who had charge of the troops in Hungary and during the outlawry in Mingo, W. Va. Mrs. Warren I. Glover, wife of the third assistant postmaster general, has a collection of 18,000 varieties; Nelson B.

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Stamp collecting as pursued today has become something more than an amusement for children. It affords instruction and mental relaxation to mature men as well as opening up the world to youth.

As the years roll by and life becomes more and more strenuous some restful and interesting and diverting occupation is found necessary. Illustrating this, Representative Ackerman tells a little state secret of the court of St. James that he heard on his recent trip through the war fields. Always browsing philatelically, Representative Ackerman was in conference with a man, who for years has supplied King George of England with stamps—philatelic adviser to the king. He told Representative Ackerman that one day he was called up by the king, who said: "I've got a big job of running this war on my hands. I've got to stop recreation with stamps, so don't send me any more until I call for them."

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These men, addicted to philately, call it a science. They point out that it is one of the greatest educational forces, opening up a wide field of research, in which many curious, interesting and instructive facts are exposed and fastened on the memory. It trains powers of observation, enlarges perception. broadens one's views and adds considerably to their knowledge of history, the progress of science and art, language, geography, botany, allegory, mythology and many kindred branches of learning.

The root appeal in stamp collecting, or philately, is the instinct of the chase which has driven men since the stone age. The postage stamp is a tiny thing, but it holds in its pictured space thoughts that embrace the beginning and end of things. They are landmarks in geography and milestones in history.

For example, it is impossible to collect stamps without at the same time learning something of history, both ancient and modern, Senator Frelinghuysen explains. The varying issues of stamps tell of changes of government—of empires becoming republics, of individual states becoming federations or commonwealths — while the portraits which they bear form a gallery of famous men of all times. In the turn of a page in the Frelinghuysen collections one may range from King Darius on his throne to the newest king or president. Or we may turn another page and find ourselves among the gods and goddesses of ancient Ida.

There are fortunes stored up in stamp collections, as well as invaluable historic record, as witness: Senator Frelinghuysen and Representative Ackerman, with other members of Congress, have been much interested in the monster collection of Ferrari de la Renotiere, an Austrian who was living in Paris when the world war came on. His collection was seized by the French government, just as the custodian of alien property seized the property of German and Austrian nationals in this country. The Ferrary collection is being sold in fifteen or more sections every two or three months. The first section, sold in June, brought 1,300,000 francs, and another section, sold in October, brought 2,525,000 francs, although these sales are being made at auction.

Uncle Sam has just officially recognized the historic value of stamp collections. Postmaster General Hays has established a philatelic stamp agency in the Post Office Department for the purpose of supplying United States postage stamps and other stamped paper to collectors and dealers. The primary object of the agency is to secure specimens from post offices and stocks of obsolete issues of postage stamps which are no longer issued by the department. It frequently happens after a commemorative issue of postage stamps has been discontinued many inquiries are received in the Post Office Department from those interested in philatelic work as to where such stamps may be obtained. It is the purpose of this stamp agency to keep on hand specimens of all stamps that are available for collections.

In replying to an inquiry as to how a thoroughly red-blooded, outdoor, athletic man like himself had become so thoroughly devoted to stamp collecting that he had assembled about 30,000 varieties during the last year, Senator Frelinghuysen explains the grip that the science of philately takes on men who are doing big things in national and international life when they take it up as a relaxation from their affairs of state.

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of interest. But, boylike, I disposed of my collection. It is the same old story, over and over again, told by collectors who began again after abandoning their collections as boys. How I wish I had kept my collection!

"I can recollect the fascination of the quest for stamps that gripped me even then. I remember that I wanted a Fiji Island stamp, believing it to be rare and valuable. My sister was then engaged to her present husband, and I held him up for a Fiji stamp. It was a species of blackmail, but nevertheless he came across and I got the Fiji stamp. I wish I had it now!

"I began a year ago to collect stamps in order to interest my boy, knowing that it would help him in his studies—in concentration and in a wider knowledge of the history of reconstructed boundaries of countries, as caused by the war. My two daughters also began to take an interest, but, owing to their studies, they have not been able to give it as much attention as I have, because I have used it as a means of relaxation. Each of the children has several thousand stamps, mostly of the newer varieties.

"I have exhausted every channel for obtaining stamps and have now between 25,000 and 30,000 stamps. I have been collecting for a year and still am adding to my collection and trying to inform myself on the science of philately. I very much regret that I have wasted so much time and have not, as Representative Ackerman has done, collected from boyhood rather than abandoned my earlier collection.

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THE KANSAS CITY STAMP CLUB.

(We have received from C. S. Davis a menu of the second annual banquet of the Kansas City Stamp Club, held at the Hotel Savoy, Kansas City, Mo., January 12. We do not take the space to print the menu, but are very glad to use the following historical sketch of the Society which formed a very strong part of the handsome souvenir. The cover photo to which reference is made is not quite clear enough in detail for us to reproduce in the WEEKLY. We extend our congratulations to this most promising stamp club of twenty-one members.—W. O. W.)

It is regretted very much that we are unable to show a picture of all the members of the Kansas City Stamp Club. Those shown on the cover photo are:—standing, Chas. F. Corbin, Arthur L. Nelson, Elmo A. Barry, J. A. Goldsmith, O. Paul Luther, Wm. Jerrems, Jr., Wilson D. Wood, H. C. Warren. Sitting, Allen Logan, Allen Sears, Robt. W. Waddell, W. G. Noel, W. C. Michaels.

A brief outline of the formation of the club will make an addition to every collector's archives well worth retaining. Early in the fall of 1920 a few of Kansas City's philatelic enthusiasts combined their efforts to reassemble the local collectors in an organization for the further development of a real live pursuit of the hobby.

On October 29, 1920, a well attended meeting was held at the Hotel Baltimore. Mr. W. C. Michaels called the meeting to order and gave an outline of the intended policy. Mr. Wilson D. Wood was elected temporary chairman, Mr. H. C. Warren, temporary secretary and treasurer, this action being confirmed at a later meeting and the officers made permanent for the year. Mr. W. C. Michaels was elected 1st Vice President and Mr. Allen Logan, 2nd Vice President.

Committees were appointed to select a home for the club and for the drafting of a set of by-laws.

The present name of the club was offered, voted upon and unanimously accepted at the first meeting.

The following men signified their desire to be members of the club at the opening meeting and are charter members: Wilson D. Wood, W. C. Michaels, Wm. Jerrems, Jr., W. G. Noel, E. A. Barry, H. C. Warren, Simpson Yeomans, O. P. Luther, Allen Logan, S. H. Barnes, Ora E. Stark, H. E. Noble, H. H. Dunham, Jas. A. Goldsmith, C. F. Corbin, Dr. W. F. Kingman, Allen Rexroff, Arthur L. Nelson, John Heffer.

On the 3rd regular meeting, Dec. 10, 1920, the by-laws were presented, read, discussed and accepted.

Meetings are held regularly on the second Friday evening of each month, tho some members take the pleasant advantage of a social meeting every Friday evening. The enthusiasm of local collectors is very evident in the fact that some one is always present during the day.

On July 8th, 1921, Mr. H. C. Warren resigned as secretary-treasurer and Mr. Allen Sears was elected to fill the vacancy. Mr. Sears has incorporated a stamp company, known as Allen Sears, Inc. The business is conducted in the adjoining club rooms, thereby having them open at all times, and assuring every visitor a welcome.

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BOOK REVIEW.

Stanley Gibbons Ltd., 391 Strand, London, England, has just issued a book "Stamp Issuing Countries and their Currencies," by Norman Thornton, with foreword by Rev. H. A. James, D. D., to which is added a glossary of philatelic terms compiled by a committee appointed by the Philatelic Congress of Great Britain, consisting of Messrs. Bacon, Beckton, Bellamy, Bishop, Evans, Fulcher, Melville and Phillips. The price of the book is 70c. The book gives in compact form a large amount of information. Each country, district, town or other stamp-issuing unit is treated separately, with much information, dealing with settlement, area, population, capital city, date of issue of first stamps, and currency. The glossary of philatelic terms comprises some 28 pages and the book is freely illustrated and well worth the price asked.

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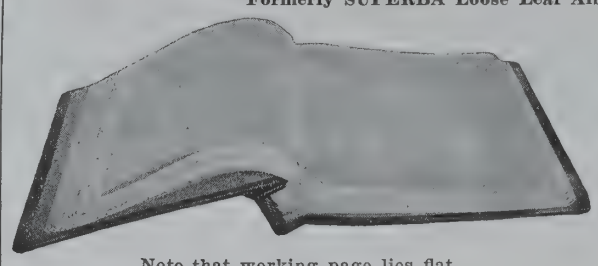

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CHAPTER XXV.

General Issues of Acknowledgment of Receipt Stamps.

The first specially designed stamp of this class issued by Panama appeared in August, 1904, and is a beautiful example of steel engraving, the lathe work surrounding the letters A. R. being particularly effective. This stamp is not well pictured in most catalogs, but a good illustration is shown herewith.

541. 5c blue, white wove paper, perf. 12.
a. dark blue.

JAN. 1, 1917 ISSUE.

These stamps, like the corresponding issue of registration stamps, were prepared by surcharging those of the general issue, this time the 2½ orange of the 1909 issue with the letters :—

A. R.

The errors are not numerous and were corrected at once when noted. Of the original supply of 50,000 stamps 20,000 were bought by collectors on the Isthmus. The following check list is supposed to be complete :—

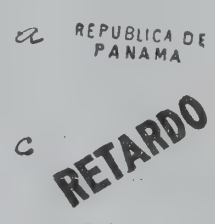
542. 2½c orange, surch. violet.
a. R. A. regularly spaced for A. R. (No. 76 in about 75 sheets).
b. A only. Left vertical row in one sheet.
c. R. A. widely spaced. The remaining 90 stamps from the same sheet.
d. A with two periods and R with none.
d. A..R Two periods after A and none after R. No. 57 in about sixty sheets.
e. A. R. inverted with dropped V for A. No. 16 in about 40 sheets.
f. Double surch. One sheet known.
g. Inverted surch. One sheet known.
h. Top horizontal row without surcharge. Three sheets known and a possible thirty vertical pairs, one of each pair without surcharge.

The sheets on f and g were broken up before errors were noted as used copies of both exist.

CHAPTER XXVI.

Retardo or Too Late Stamps.

I use the words "Too Late" because this barbarous mis-translation has been so much used and will very probably be retained with a good many other things that are hardly defensible. The inscription on these stamps "Retardo" means literally "Retarded" or if you prefer "delayed". It would hardly be polite in a Spanish speaking country where "manana" (tomorrow) is always the answer on the lips of dilatory officials, to insinuate that anything could ever be too late. Resource is therefore had to "retardo"; that is, the government says apologetically, "Of course you are not to blame in forgetting to mail your letter on time, but as we are put to some inconvenience by it we shall add just barely enough to your postage to cover the extra service".



Prior to the separation of Panama from Colombia the Colombian Retardo stamps were in use and in November, 1903, appeared with a surcharge (a).

601. 5c purple on rose paper, imperf., Surch. (a) rose red.
a. Vertical surcharge.
b. Pair, one without surcharge.
602. 5c purple on rose paper, Surch. (a) blue black.
a. Inverted surcharge.
b. Pair, one without surcharge.

AUGUST 1904 ISSUE.

603. 2½c carmine lake, white wove paper, perf. 12.

This issue consists of one stamp, which like its companion the 5c acknowledgment of receipt is a fine example of steel engraving. It is particularly effective in the rich color in which it is printed. The stamp was engraved and printed by the American Bank Note Co., N. Y. C.

AUGUST 1910 ISSUE.

The supply of the engraved stamps must have run out very unexpectedly as on August 12 and 13, 1910, while a handstamp was being prepared, a sufficient supply for the emergency was obtained by overprinting the regular adhesives by means of a typewriter. These stamps are rare, but the catalog prices are excessive and specimens on the original cover may be obtained reasonably.

604. 2½c orange red, surch. (b) in violet.

Also from a rubber hand-stamp there immediately afterwards appeared :—

605. 2½c red orange, surch. (c) in violet.

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	*18a	180	.75	.3
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u. Shifted surch. N CENTESIMO U.

The errors in this issue, except d and f, were corrected immediately on discovery.

CHAPTER XXVII.

Postage Due Stamps.

It was not until 1915, that Panama adopted the use of adhesive stamps to indicate insufficiently paid postage, and so far only four stamps of this character have been issued. They are all engraved and printed by the American Banknote Co., and as usual are perforated 12. Stamp catalogs list these values as 1c, 2c, 4c and 10c but while this is true it is not exactly accurate as the values are not expressed in centesimos but in decimals of a balboa. I will catalog the values as they read on the stamps with the equivalent in centesimos bracketed. The words "Correspondencia a Debe" are equivalent to "Postage Due" though not an exact translation:—

651. B/0.01 (1c) olive brown oblong, 30x20 mm. "Castillo de San Lorenzo, Chagres" (Castle of San Lorenzo, Chagres).
652. B/0.02 (2c) olive brown vert. rect., 20x30 mm. Statue of Christobal Colon (Columbus) with an Indian boy standing by.
653. B/0.04 (4c) olive brown oblong, 30x20 mm. "Palacio Nacional de Gobiano" (National Palace of the Government).
654. B/0.10 (10c) olive brown vert. rect., 20x30 mm. Portrait of Pedro J. Sosa.

30c 1869 ON DOUBLE PAPER.

By PERCY MCG. MANN.

I note on page 10 of the issue of January 7, in the Chronicle of New Issues, a block of 30c '69 stamps is mentioned as a possible new discovery, which will rank as a variety of Scott's No. 121a, according to the Chronicler. This is not new and was evidently known by the expert of the Scott Stamp & Coin Co. many years ago, because we find it mentioned in the book on United States stamps which Mr. Luff himself wrote.

Quoting the "Postage Stamps of the United States" by John N. Luff, page 114:

"There is in the collection of Mr. H. G. Mandel a block of 3c stamps of this issue (1869) on double paper. The upper paper, which received the impression, is quite thin and is embossed over the entire surface. The under paper is thicker and serves merely as a backing for the other. *The 30c is also known on double paper, without any grill. It is printed in colors slightly darker than those of the ungrilled stamp on ordinary paper. These varieties are fully finished, gummed and perforated.*"

The *italics* are mine, calling attention to the fact that these 30s are the same as the 30s chronicled as something new.

MICH. STAMP CLUB HAS A BOY'S NIGHT.

By HERMAN W. BOERS.

Saturday evening, January 7, the Michigan Stamp Club of Detroit had a real philatelic night. The club invited boys interested in stamp collecting to attend the meeting and they came twenty-seven strong to learn about stamps. It was a new experience for them; they saw stamps and heard stamps talked as they had never heard them before.

After a short business session Dr. P. Hoskins, president, invited everybody to the dining-room where a big spread was in waiting, and it was certainly enjoyed by all present. After the lunch Dr. W. L. Babcock, Z. Dworkowski, Karl Koslowski, Charles Kellar, William F. Fratcher and Dr. P. Hoskins spoke to the boys with words of encouragement for their collecting interest.

Music was furnished. Before the boys went home each was presented with a packet of stamps. There was also an auction sale. The boys enjoyed it and will be glad to have another invitation. An original poem was written for the occasion by C. H. Holden and was well received.

As a stamp collecting center Detroit ranks very high, but it has never had a good stamp shop downtown. Recently William F. Fratcher, the well-known Philatelist-dealer opened up a stamp shop at 922 Michigan Ave. under the name of the Michigan Stamp & Coin Co. Karl Koslowski and F. Myers, both stamp experts, are helping Mr. Fratcher out.

NEW ISSUE PRECANCELS.

By H. S. DICKEY.

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New Pilgrims: 5c Sedalia, Mo., inverted. 1c inverted Morton, Ill. 2c normal same city. 1c Berea, Ohio, normal. 1c Carrollton normal. 1c East Moline, Ill., (purple ink). 2c Galesburg, Mich., up.

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Awaken—Down the corridors of time swings the pendulum and now the issues of the United States from 1870 to 1880 are being elevated high in popular favor. It is suspected that the difficulty attending the pursuit of superb or distinctive specimens of the issues antedating 1870 is responsible for this trend, although the solid merits of the stamps of the decade have much to do with this development. It is recognized by many that the stamps in question are of splendid quality and it is the testimony of not a few of the foreign collectors that the stamps are of matchless collecting qualifications. The stamps themselves are the thing but there is an interesting aside to them that is not without appeal to a good many collectors. Many of the present day collectors were boys when the stamps were in use and we know how close the postage stamp comes to the actual postal users of them, once upon a time. Too, the decade, 1870 to 1880, in the United States, was a period of strange mixtures. There were the memories of the Civil War; the panic of '73; Grant and Greeley; the Centennial; Ben Butler and Bill Nye; political frenzy; Patti and Langtry; and what not. With a little imagination, the postage stamps of those days crystallize memories; and to the American philatelist they are thrown in for good measure.

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Advice—While it is proper that the collector should have a preference for the issues of his own country, yet it is not advisable for one to ignore impulses to study the issues of other countries and we are glad to see that collectors here and there are intent upon the stamps of other countries, preferring not to be jostled by the crowd that is rushing for U. S. It is a good thing that fashion is not blindly followed by all collectors and we are glad that the old assertion remains good; and that is that in the aggregate, the stamps of all countries have their partizans. All stamps are in demand and the muddied waters caused by the shifting bottoms of the Neurope inundation in this country are clearing. As the stamp sense of collectors develops, there is a disposition to work out one's conclusions for one's self and the collectors who think independently are apt to be right oftener than wrong.

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Aright—It is sometimes considered the height of hilarity to single out the seal on the five cent Newfoundland, 1866 to 1880, as an example of artistic misconception. The ignorance, as it is alleged to be, of the designer is based on the claim that the seal has "paws like a dog" or something grotesque when compared with the proper appendages. Now, this seal is beloved by all of the older collectors who as boys thought that this "amphibious animal" was one of the most fascinating of the philatelic fauna, of which the representatives, while striking, such as the swan, beaver, etc., were comparatively few. While we did not like the imputation that the seal was a misfit anatomically, yet we did not have the enterprise to refute the libel, as it now seems to be. In the *Australian Stamp Journal,* Dr. F. Lucas Benham writes: "The stamp is beautifully drawn and engraved and is in my opinion, after comparing it with descriptions and illustrations in works on natural history, a true delineation of the harp seal —the commoner sort of seal that is met with on the coast of Newfoundland and Labrador. In both respects I consider the stamp of 1866 far superior to that which superseded it in 1880. The extremity of the fore limb in the seal (*Phoca*) is a paw, not a flipper, and in the harp seal this is particularly doglike and is, in addition, furnished with five very noticeable claws. . . . .The flexible wrist in the *Phocidae* allows the fore limb to bear the weight of the body in the palmar surface of the manus."

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Agreed—We profess to see a vindication of the artist who drew the seal on the early Newfoundland stamp, as our contemporary says: "In those days photography of animal life was scarcely practiced at all. It might have been taken from life, from a picture, or perhaps from a museum specimen. It hardly could have been made out of the artist's own head." Speculation is indulged in by our friend concerning the artist and while we have no particulars on this score, we have a bit of unrecorded data that is not without interest. The following autograph letter is before us: "General Post Office, 26 February, 1866. Dear Sir: I beg to enclose for your acceptance six specimens of our new postage stamp. Yours truly, John Deluny." The addressee was "R. Carter, R. N." We may not have the signature exactly right but evidently, Mr. D. was an officer in the postal service at St. John's. The specimens are card board proofs of the 1866 set and show forth beautifully as they were examples of careful production by the American Bank Note Company.

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Apropos—Having seen references to early publications in this country in our columns recently, Mr. N. E. Carter of Elkhorn, Wisconsin, has sent us a copy of the third edition of the Postage Stamp Album, published by J. W. Scott in 1870. We notice that this work which bears the *imprimatur* of Pardon and Son, Printers, Paternoster-Row, London, is a catalogue and album combined. Many of the U. S. in particular are pictured in colors and needless to say that some of the notations sound quaintly to the ears of this day. The prices of many of the stamps are such as to make one ponder on the changes that have taken place in the last fifty years. More of the stamps are priced in cents that are listed in the dollar column now than we have space to allot to them. Among our stamps that are priced at one cent are the 12c, 1861: 12c, 1869 and 12c, 1870. Some of the standard rarities of to-day barely aspired to dollar rank then; and the thought persists that philatelic history will repeat itself in the next half-century.

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Advice—Several letters have been received from close observers of philatelic progress, as a consequence of remarks that have been made on the subject of the unusual publicity that stamps are receiving. It must be admitted that while our correspondents are concerned that full advantage is not being taken of this gratifying condition, no practical suggestion for doing so has been submitted. One of our readers says, however, that in New York City, there are several forces that are working in a centralized way as yet to devise and adopt means to turn the advertising to account; and he is hopeful that sufficient support will be forthcoming to spread the movement when it is properly shaped, to all sections. We invite communications on this question which is one of much importance as it is nothing short of folly to allow these golden days to pass unheeded.

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THE POSTAGE STAMPS OF BELGIUM.

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These stamps, as well as the other line-engraved stamps of Belgium, have always been popular and at one time and another have formed the theme of articles by such philatelic giants as the late Mr. Overy Taylor, Mr. M. P. Castle and Mr. W. A. S. Westoby, while M. Moens, the veteran Belgian philatelist, has left us a valuable monograph on the stamps of his native country. Exhaustive articles have appeared in the defunct *American Journal of Philately* from the pen of Mr. Jules Bouvézand in the equally defunct *Gibbons' Stamp Weekly* from the pen of Mr. Ch. de Bont, and to these we are particularly indebted for much useful information in the form of official decrees, etc. Finally Mr. J. B. Leavy, the Government philatelist, has given us a number of valuable philatelic studies covering the interesting re-entries and re-touches found in these stamps.

Leopold George Christian Frederick, first king of the Belgians, whose portrait appears on these stamps, was born on December 16th, 1790. He was the son of Francis, Duke of Saxe-Gotha and his sister Juliana having married the Russian Grand Duke Constantine he was attracted towards Russia and entered its army in 1808. Although only eighteen years of age he was made a general and in 1813 he fought against Napoleon at Lützen, Bautzen and Leipzig and entered Paris with the allied sovereigns.

He visited London in company with the Emperor Alexander in 1815 and in the following year married the Princess Charlotte, the only child of George IV. He was naturalised by Act of Parliament, created Duke of Kendal with an annual pension of £50,000, and was made a general in the British Army. His connubial happiness was destined to be brief for a year and a half later the Princess died.

After this sad event Prince Leopold spent many years in retirement, partly in London, partly in Claremont. In May, 1830, he was offered, but declined, the crown of Greece. However he had not long to wait for a crown for in the same year Belgium revolted from the Netherlands and on July 31st, 1831, Leopold became king.

In August, 1832, he married Princess Louise, eldest daughter of Louis Philippe, king of France, by whom he had three children.

The long experience of Leopold in political affairs, his acquaintance with the events of his own times, and his family connections, resulted in his officiating on many occasions in international disputes. In fact, by reason of his frequent good offices as umpire he was known as "Juge de Paix de l'Europe".

Although the designs of the two stamps forming this issue are almost exactly alike, yet there are small differences which prove conclusively that two separate dies were engraved. The position of the small labels of value and the arabesque ornamentation on the background present the most patent differences.

Who engraved the dies for these two stamps? Mr. W. A. S. Westoby says, "The engraving of the dies was entrusted to M. Jacques Wiener, a Belgian engraver, who submitted proofs of more than one design". Mr. Jules Bouvez and Mr. Ch. de Bont unhesitatingly assert that the dies were the work of Wiener, a statement in which M. Moens concurs and which we believe has never been seriously questioned. Mr. Leavy goes a little farther and tells us:—

"On August 7th, 1848, a contract was made by the Belgian Government, with Jacques and Leopold Wiener, to furnish dies and all necessary machinery for the printing of postage stamps; Jacques Wiener, who at that time was the leading engraver and medallist of the world, had just returned from a trip to England, made especially to study the process of stamp-making as carried on at that time. On October 28, 1848, the proof of the first Belgian stamp, that of the ten centimes, was approved and accepted by the Government, and on November 17, 1848, the design for the twenty centimes was submitted and approved."

Mr. Derek Ingram, writing on this subject in the *Philatelic Gazette* also agrees that the engraver of the dies was Wiener *but*, in dealing with the die proofs of the 40c of the second issue, also supposedly the work of Wiener. he refers to an interesting proof as follows:—

"Before leaving the subject of proofs, reference should be made to the 'blank' die proof signed across the lower right corner 'H. Robinson, Sc', with an added note below to the effect that the proof shows the size of the steel block upon which the postage stamps are engraved. This die proof was described and illustrated in the *Philatelic Journal of Great Britain*, November, 1914, and up to the present no explanation is forthcoming as to its status. Investigation into such a philatelic mystery is naturally a matter of extreme difficulty under existing circumstances, especially as the descendant of Jacques Wiener, who is probably the only person who might be able to elucidate this mystery, is now in Bulgaria. The question as asked by the owner of this curious proof is, 'who was this Mr. H. Robinson? Did he really engrave the die and was he in the service of Messrs. Perkins, Bacon & Co., or De La Rue and Co., and did either of these firms produce this die for Wiener and not the latter himself'?"

The above raises a most interesting point, the more so as it concerns a stamp issued almost immediately after the first two values were in circulation and intended as complementary to them and always presumed to be the handiwork of one and the same engraver. Fortunately we have been able to trace a small paragraph, not absolutely conclusive perhaps, but one which seems to

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THE STAMPS OF BELGIUM.

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oint strongly to the fact that the dies r the first two stamps were the work an Englishman, the Mr. Robinson rerred to above in connection with the c. The small and unassuming paraaph in question appeared in the *Stamp ollector's Magazine* for October 1st, 68, under the pen name of "Theta"—a equent and well-informed contributor that fine old journal. Here it is in e writer's own words:—

nedited proofs, &c.

I had lately the pleasure of inspecting, the collection of a friend, a pair of oofs, presented to him by Mr. Robinn, who engraved them in 1849, for the elgian Government.

One is a proof of his design for the c, of the type, which was ultimately opted for both values of the 1849 ise. The other, namely, the original dem for the ten centime stamp, is not, I lieve, as yet known to collectors.

On the proof in question, the portrait the king has a much younger look, d is a more decided three-quarter pro- e than that on the accepted design; e arrangement of the epaulettes, too, d of the breast ornaments, is quite ique. Both are printed in black ink cartridge paper about four inches uare; and they were, I am given to derstand, the artist's own proofs of e designs, each bearing his initials, in s own handwriting, on the lower right nd corner."

It would appear, therefore, that cques Wiener, clever and accomplished ist and medallist that he was, thought best to entrust the actual engraving the dies to those pioneers in postage stamp manufacture, Messrs. Perkins, Bacon & Co., and that the Mr. Robinson referred to above was an employé of this firm and was commissioned to produce the required dies.

The original dies were engraved on steel in recess and the plates were made and the stamps printed in the usual manner for line-engraved work. From the dies transfer rolls were made upon which the designs appeared in relief but whether there were more than one impression of each design on the transfer rolls we cannot say. These transfer roll impressions were then applied to the plate under heavy pressure so that the design once more appears in recess, as on the original die itself.

Each of the plates consisted of 200 subjects arranged in two panes of 100 each (ten rows of ten), placed side by side. Mr. Leavy says the plates were made of copper—a statement we are inclined to doubt in view of the fact that specimens are rarely found showing appreciable wear of the plate considering the comparatively large numbers printed. It seems more probable that as the English system was so carefully studied and copied that the plates were of steel.

The paper used for the stamps of this issue was, like that of the early British stamps, hand-made. It was manufactured by Olin Bros., of Brussels, and like all hand-made paper varied considerably in thickness. This paper was watermarked with a device consisting of two letters "L" interlaced; one, of course, being in reverse in relation to the other. These letters were enclosed in a single-line rectangular frame and the devices were so adjusted that one full design was apportioned to each of the two hundred stamps on a sheet. These little devices were made by hand by twisting wire into the desired shapes, consequently no two are exactly alike and some of the variations are quite striking. The designs were sewn on the special screen used in making the sheets of paper and as the wet pulp was spread on the screen the devices were pressed into it and formed the watermarks we see in the finished stamps. Each sheet of paper was also watermarked in the margins with an inscription in double-lined capital letters, about 7 mm. high, reading as follows:—"MINISTERE DES TRAVAUX PUBLICS" across the top of the sheet and in reverse at the bottom, and "BRUXELLES BELGIQUE POSTES" at each side reading upwards at left and downwards at right. This inscription means "Ministry of Public Works, Brussels, Belgium, Posts", and as these inscriptions were only 2½ mm. distant from the outer edges of the watermarked devices it frequently happens that stamps from the outer rows of the sheet show small portions of the letters.

The interlaced L's were placed sideways in the rectangles and Mr. Leavy has made the interesting discovery that those in the left pane have the heads of the letters to the right, while those in the right hand pane have the heads of the letters pointing to the left. This arrangement was quite ingenious for, as Mr. Leavy points out, in printing "the paper could be placed upon the plate in any of four ways, normal, reversed, inverted or inverted and reversed, without affecting the relative position of the watermark, which would always have the heads of the L's to the left in the left pane and to the right in the right pane. In examining stamps for the watermark we look at them from the back so that the watermark appears reversed, and when the interlaced L's show the heads to the right it indicates a stamp from the left pane, while the heads to the left indicate a stamp from the right pane."

The stamps were printed at the Stamp Works in Brussels, situated at that time in the basement of a modest house in the Rue Lateral, under the personal supervision of Jacques Wiener. Both Mr. Bouvez and Mr. de Bont agree that there were three separate printings, made in May and September, 1849, and April, 1850, and while both agree as to the numbers in the last printing their totals for the other two are at variance, though presumably they were obtained from official sources. The reader may, therefore, take his choice, for we give the quantities according to both writers:—

		Bouvez	de Bont
1st printing	10c,	1,600,000	1,450,000
"	20c,	1,500,000	1,150,000
2nd printing	10c,	3,000,000	3,000,000
"	20c,	2,800,000	3,600,000
3rd printing	10c,	800,000	800,000
"	20c,	500,000	500,000

Both these writers also assert that the first printing was on thick paper, the second on wove (though as all this paper was wove we do not see how this can differ from any of the other) and the third on fairly thin paper. We hardly think that either author can have had any real grounds for making these positive distinctions, for anyone in the least familiar with the process of paper manufacture knows that in the hand-made variety the paper is made sheet by sheet and the very nature of the process makes it a matter of impossibility to obtain uniform thickness. The texture of the paper, therefore, is no guide at all in distinguishing printings.

Both values provide an extensive range of shades of which brown, grey-brown, and reddish brown may be said to be the predominant colors of the 10 centimes, and deep blue, blue and milky blue of the 20 centimes, with all sorts of intermediate tints. That any special shades can be definitely assigned to any one of the three printings is, in our humble opinion, still a case of "not proven". Mr. Leavy gives an interesting synopsis of the various causes which tend to make shade variations, viz.:—

"First chemical action; engraved plates are cleansed of ink by being washed with a weak solution of potash, and there were no doubt many times when the solution was stronger than necessary, which would chemically affect the color of the ink when the plates were re-inked, imparting a grayish tone to the browns and a greenish tone to the blues. Second: uneven dampening of the paper when placed upon the plate, causing decided variations in the depth of tone of the color and sometimes a spreading of the ink giving a tinted appearance to the paper. Third: chemical action due to the substance of the gum used on the finished stamps, which was of two marked qualities, one a heavy white gum which turns opaque and milky under the action of water, the other a thick yellow gum almost insoluble in water. Fourth: atmospheric influence, varying degrees of oxidisation."

All students of line-engraved stamps are acquainted with the fact that in rocking the transfer roll on the plates mistakes were sometimes made. An impression would be misplaced, erased, and another impression made in the correct position. In erasing the wrong impression—which we imagine frequently meant merely impressing another over it in the correct position—traces were often left which show in the printed stamps, these varieties being generally known as "shifts" or "shifted transfers", though a more correct description is re-entries. Until comparatively recent times these interesting varieties were entirely unknown though they may be found in connection with almost any line engraved stamps—even in those printed in the most modern printing establishments.

A number of interesting varieties of this character occur in connection with both the 10 and 20 centimes of this first issue of Belgium. Some of those found on the 10c are of a particularly striking character and can easily be seen without the aid of a magnifying glass. In some cases the numerals are plainly

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doubled, others show some of the letters of the inscriptions doubled and others again have doubled frame lines or portions of the shading of the coat across the upper or lower inscriptions. Others, again, show combinations of the above; numerals and inscriptions doubled, and so on. Mr. Leavy described eleven well marked varieties and two similar ones for the 20c. It is, however, hardly within the scope of an article of this general character to describe all these in detail. Specialists and students desiring to pursue the matter further are referred to the careful and accurate descriptions with their accompanying fine illustrations in Mr. Leavy's article in the *Philatelic Gazette*.

In addition to these varieties of re-entry Mr. Leavy points out that a number of stamps on the plates of both denominations show the frame lines re-cut, this work evidently being done before the plates were used to strengthen lines which had not been impressed deeply enough in "laying down" the designs.

Other varieties of interest to the specialist are found on the 20c in the form of distinct fine lines running through various parts of the design. These "hair-lines" were probably due to some accidental scratching of the plate and are, of course, not of the same degree of philatelic importance as the re-entries and re-cuts.

Both stamps are extremely rare in perfect mint condition and if we are to judge from a statement made by Mr. Overy Taylor as long ago as 1870 that "unused specimens are almost unattainable" it would appear that they have always been scarce. Unused stamps with a red ink line through them are specimens, the line answering exactly the same purpose as the word "Specimen" so frequently overprinted on stamps of this class. As this red line has frequently been removed with the greatest skill, unused specimens should be purchased with caution.

Used copies are for the most part very heavily obliterated, the cancellation in use at this period consisting of a number of substantial bars rather close together with numerals in the centre. The stamps were, of course, imperforate, as the perforation machine had not then been invented, though about this time Henry Archer was experimenting with a machine for the British post-office.

REFERENCE LIST.

July 1st, 1849. Engraved by H. Robinson for Jacques Wiener (?). Printed at the Stamp Works, Brussels, from intaglio plates on hand made paper of varying thickness. Wmk. "L L" interlaced in frame. Imperf.

10 centimes brown (shades).
20 centimes blue (shades).

CHAPTER IV.

The Second Issue.

Although the two denominations comprising the first issue were considered sufficient for the then existing postal system, while they were still in the process of being made a treaty was signed with France regulating the postage between the two countries on the basis of a forty-centime rate for single letters. This treaty was concluded at Brussels on April 27th, 1849, the two most interesting provisions being the following:—

"Art. 2. Letters from France and Algiers intended for Belgium and, reciprocally, letters from Belgium to France and Algiers, shall in future bear a uniform tax of 40 centimes for the single letter of which 17 centimes shall be credited to Belgium and 23 to France. Nevertheless, the postage on letters addressed from one of these countries to the other shall be reduced to 20 centimes for a single letter whenever the distance, in a straight line, between the office of origin and that of destination shall not exceed 30 kilometres.

Art. 6. Registered letters shall bear double the postage of ordinary letters and must be prepaid. Letters sent from Belgium may, at the option of the sender, be prepaid in currency or by means of postage stamps. Should, however the stamps placed upon the letter be insufficient to pay the entire charge prop for such letter, the stamps shall be fo feited by the sender and the letter co sidered as not prepaid."

Whether the treaty came into effect once or later is not quite clear. Bo Mr. Leavy and Mr. Bouvez infer th it did and that it was in consequence the increasing use of 20 centimes stam that a new 40c value was issued. M M. P. Castle and Mr. Westoby agree th the convention did not come into for until October 1st, 1849, basing the statements on M. Moens "Les Timbr de Belgique". M. Moens goes furth and states that the official circular a nouncing the new rates was not pu lished until Oct. 9th—or nine days aft they had become effective—while t new 40c stamp was actually placed circulation on October 17th. It may remarked here that the French stamp the same value was not issued un nearly four months later.

(To be continued.)

Look 'Em Over

*	**Allenstein,** 1-14 exc. 4, 13 var. ($2.93)..	$ .60
*	15-28 except 18, 13 var. (1.88)	.50
*	**Austria,** 172-175, 4 var. (.95)	.50
o	160-162, 3 var. (.25)	.15
o	181-195, 15 var. (.57)	.20
*	181-199, 19 var. (3.31)	1.00
*	181-199, 277-281, 355-356, 691-701, 37 var. (6.00)	2.00
*	200-211, 12 var. (.26)	.08
*	216-219, 231-235, 9 var. (.18)	.06
*	220-226 & 205a, 8 var. (.17)	.06
*	238-242, 4 var. (.11)	.05
*	212-215, 227-230, 8 var. (.97)	.30
*	new 50 kronen	.08
*	new 3, 4, 5 & 10 kronen, 4 var.	.08
*	272-276, 5 var. (.15)	.06
*	282-300, 19 var. comp.	.12
*	375-377, 3 var. (.75)	.35
o	375-377 on cover (.75)	.50
o	403-407, 5 var. (.16)	.08
*	408-410, 3 var. (.12)	.06
*	411-430, 20 var. (1.91)	.50
*	472-498, 27 var. (7.25)	4.50
x	498a-516, 20 var. (2.72)	1.25
*	625-633, 9 var. (.68)	.30
o	683 (.20)	.10
*	702-713, 12 var. (.53)	.25
*	714-722, 9 var. (.19)	.08
*	723-724, 2 var. (.07)	.04
*	new 7½ kronen Prov. Due	.03
o	new Salzburg Plebiscite, 3 var. cpl.	.30
*	new East Tyrol surcharged on Austria, 19 var. comp.	1.10
*	1046-1054, 9 var. (1.41)	.40
*	1165-1170, 6 var. (.64)	.30
*	**Azerbaijan,** 1-5, 5 var. (.30)	.15
*	**Batum,** 4-6, 3 var. (1.70)	.85
*	105-109, 5 var. (1.60)	.90
*	**Bavaria,** 94-114 exc. 96, 20 var. (2.82)	1.00
*	117-135, 19 var. (2.80)	1.00
*	136-155, 20 var. (2.86)	1.00
*	156-175, 20 var. (2.86)	1.00
*	176-191, 16 var. (1.92)	.75
*	193-211, 19 var. (2.83)	1.00
*	212-230, 19 var. (2.83)	1.00
*	231-233, 3 var. (.32)	.18
*	234-236, 3 var. (.32)	.18
*	238-246, 9 var. (.26)	.10
*	238-254, 17 var. (2.92)	1.00
*	256-275, 20 var. (3.33)	1.25
*	351-353, 3 var. (.11)	.05
*	509-526, 10 var. (.57)	.15
*	540-557, 18 var. (2.00)	.75
*	558-575, 18 var. (2.00)	.50
*	**Bosnia,** 11-29, 19 var. (1.74)	.85
*	105-122, 18 var. (5.43)	1.75
x	123-125, 3 var. (.12)	.08
*	245-257, 3 var. (.12)	.05
o	**Bulgaria,** 53-54, 2 var. (.25)	.15
x	130-133, 4 var. (.25)	.12
*	135-144, 9 var. (.22)	.10
*	147-152, 6 var. (.68)	.30
*	153-157, 5 var. (.22), Forbidden Set	.10
*	377-381, 5 var. (.28)	.15
*	**Central Lithuania,** 23-28, 6 var. (.32)..	.15
*	35-41, 7 var. (.45)	.15
*	35-42, 8 var. (.65)	.30
*	45-52, 8 var. (.65)	.30
*	207-210, 4 var. (.26)	.10
*	**Cilicia,** 119-123, 5 var. (.29)	.12
*	**Crete,** 36-46, 9 var. (5.10)	1.25
*	**Czecho Slovakia,** 507-509, 3 var. (2.00)	1.50
*	560-562, 3 var. (.12)	.08
*	551-556, 6 var. (.30)	.15
*	**Danzig,** 1-18 except 17, 14 var. (1.51)	.80
*	19-23, 5 var. (.19)	.10
*	25-45, 11 var. (1.98)	1.00
x	49-58, 10 var. (.93)	.50
*	201-203, 3 var. (.20)	.12
*	204-208, 5 var. (.47)	.25
x	new dues, 401-409, 9 var. comp.	.40
*	**Eastern Silesia,** 41-50, 10 var. (.64)....	.20
*	on Czecho Slovakia, 14 var. (.93)..	.30
*	on Czecho Slovakia, 30 var. (1.59)..	.60
*	on Czecho Slovakia, 39 var. (6.06)..	1.90
o	**Epirus,** 15-22, 8 var. (.95)	.22
*	26-27, 2 var. (.25)	.12
* & o	30-58, 12 var. (.45)	.20
o	**Finland,** 83-93, 10 var. (.49)	.25
*	95-103, 7 var. (.90)	.40
o	105-108, 4 var. (.23)	.12
o	115-118, 4 var. (.28)	.15
*	**Fiume,** 73-76, 4 var. (.11)	.05
*	73-84, 12 var. (1.49)	.70
*	86-89, 4 var. (.10)	.06
*	86-95-253-4-274, 13 var. (.90)	.60
*	315-326, 12 var. (.88)	.50
*	**Georgia,** 10-18, 9 var. (.26)	.12
*	Imperfs. of above, 9 var.	.20
*	**German S. W. Africa,** 17-31, 9 var. (1.16)	.50
o	**Germany,** 91-94, 4 var. (.28)	.12
*	105-108, 4 var. (.16)	.08
o	111-114, 4 var. (.25)	.08
*	115-116, 2 var. (.22)	.15
*	115-117, 3 var. (.42)	.30
*	129-132, 4 var. (.55)	.25
o	129-132, 4 var. (.09)	.05
*	1.60, 3, 5 & 10mk Prov., 4 var.	.30
*	317-321, 5 var. (.41)	.18
*	340-2 & 364-6, 6 var. (.44)	.25
*	**China,** 446, 1 var. (1.75)	.65
o	**Greece,** 720-724, 6 var. (.21)	.10
o	**Hungary,** 66-83, 17 var. (1.13)	.45
o	119-123, 5 var. (.23)	.08
*	127-132, 6 var. (.21)	.07
*	171-176, 6 var. (.19)	.06
o	194-197, 4 var. (.65)	.20
*	**Hungary,** 314-319, 6 var. (.15)	.05
*	451-456, 6 var. (.15)	.05
*	468-477, 10 var. (.30)	.10
*	485-490, 6 var. (.13)	.05
*	503-505, 3 var. (.12)	.05
o	506-507, 2 var. (.12)	.06
*	565-567, 3 var. (.18)	.10
*	651-652, 2 var. (.60)	.30
*	653-655, 3 var. (.41)	.20
*	802-812, 6 var. (.15)	.06
*	new Orgland, 20f-10kr, 7 var. comp.	1.00
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*	**Italy,** 401-419, 451-454, 471-472, 481-488, 32 var. (4.95)	1.25
*	**Jugo Slavia,** 21-22, 2 var. (.11)	.05
*	101-2, 121-2, 4 var. (2.15)	.90
*	123-125, 3 var. (.85)	.40
*	233-242, 10 var. (.58)	.30
*	601-603, 3 var. (.13)	.08
*	666-670, 5 var. (.22)	.10
*	**Kiauchau,** 24-29, 6 var. (.48)	.22
*	**Latvia,** 57-58, 2 var. (.35)	.20
*	64-67, 3 var. (.14)	.06
*	68-69, 2 var. (.11)	.06
*	70-73, 4 var. (.48)	.25
o	83-85, 3 var. (1.40)	.75
*	83-85, 3 var. (2.00)	1.00
*	86-87, 2 var. (.30)	.25
*	88-93, 5 var. (.25)	.15
*	351-354, 4 var. (.12)	.10
*	**Latvia,** 355-358, 4 var. (.16)	.12
*	359-362, 4 var. (.55)	.40
*	260-267, 8 var. (.16)	.08
*	**Liberia,** 134-135, 2 var. (.11)	.05
o	**Liechtenstein,** 4-9, 6 var. (.19)	.08
*	4-10, 7 var. (.23)	.10
*	11-16, 6 var. (1.40)	.40
*	18-25, 8 var. (.17)	.06
x	32-46, 201-212, 27 var. (.72)	.20
*	47-49, 3 var. (.12)	.05
*	**Marienwerder,** 32-35, 4 var. (5.00)	2.50
*	36-39, 4 var. (1.10)	.50
*	40-53, 14 var. (1.80)	.90
*	**Memel,** 1-5, 5 var. (.16)	.08
*	1-11, 11 var. (.96)	.60
*	15-28, 6 var. (.28)	.12
o	**Montenegro,** 18-24, 6 var. (.46)	.25
*	62-73, 12 var. (.51)	.25
*	74-85, 12 var. (.86)	.30
o	74-85, 12 var. (.59)	.25
*	176-183, 8 var. (.32)	.18
*	301-302, 2 var. (1.20)	.75
o	**Norway,** 82-95, 102-3, 16 var. (.52)	.20
*	**Persia,** 104-119, 2 used, 16 var. (1.02)	.35
o	**Poland,** 15-26, 12 var. (1.63)	.75
*	61-71, 11 var. (.66)	.60
x	129-134, 6 var. (.32)	.12
*	135, 1 var. (.08)	.10
o	147, 1 var. (.20)	.10
*	149-152, 4 var. (.15)	.08
*	156-162, 7 var. (1.33)	.60
*	163, 1 var. (.05)	.04
*	319-322, 4 var. (1.70)	.45
*	360, 2 var. (.28)	.12
*	new 50 & 100mk dues, 2 var.	.25
o	501-505, 5 var. (.38)	.25
*	601-612, 12 var. (1.93)	.60
*	**Roumania,** 361-362, 12 var. (2.70)	.70
*	363-366, 4 var. (.29)	.15
*	367-370, 4 var. (.19)	.12
x	701-717, 17 var. (4.13)	1.25
*	722-739, 17 var. (2.65)	1.25
o	801-804, 4 var. (.41)	.25
*	909-913, 5 var. (.32)	.10
x	951-955, 5 var. (.64)	.20
*	**Russia,** 201-204, 4 var. (1.20)	.75
*	205-208, 4 var. (.56)	.25
*	801-807, 7 var. (1.05)	.40
o	**Saar,** 1-17, 17 var. (8.81)	4.00
o	21-39, 15 var. (17.94)	9.00
*	21-35, 11 var. (2.94)	1.25
*	41-53, 12 var. (1.24)	.50
*	56-60, 5 var. (.13)	.07
*	64, 1 var. (.30)	.20
*	65-67, 3 var. (1.02)	.60
x	68-83, 16 var. (2.68)	1.75
*	**Salvador,** 950-957, 8 var. (.50)	.15
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By COTTON C. DOYLE.

"Well", remarked Casey, knocking the ashes out of his pipe and noticing the old battered spittoon on the floor in front of the counter in McVittle's philatelic emporium had disappeared and a bright new shiny brass one was occupying the place where it formerly rested, "Where did you get the new gahboon, and is the stamp business so good you're throwin' your money away on this an' that instead of buyin' the missus a new $700 fur coat rayduced to $298, or is it the income tax you're tryin' to dodge? And whatever it is, don't be sittin' there cryin' out of one side of y'r face and laughin' out of the other, but answer me, yes or no, or which."

McVittles eyed his friend steadily, his countenance gradually assuming its normal solemn aspect, but answered never a word until just as Casey opened his mouth to repeat the demand for a reply. Then McVittles spoke.

"Business is just the same as yesterday, last week and year after next—good, bad, and a mixture of both. The gahboon cost me not a cent—if it had you'd be missin' it and tryin' to hit the old one this very minute. But if it didn't cost me a red cent, it set me back many a dollar of profit that I could have had and didn't get, and the difference between makin' two dollars and losin' two dollars is now and always will be just four hundred cents.

"However, the thing itself is not to blame and I've had many a good laugh out of it, so if you're in a listenin' mood—and I never saw you when you weren't—just fill up y'r old incinerator with whatever brand of fine cut little Miss Red Cheeks down at the corner sold you to keep your tongue from bitin' y'r false teeth when you stopped in to buy a box of disarmament matches as you came along, and I'll tell you why I'm stickin' to this business when I ought to be doin' somethin' in which the work would be leaner and the pay fatter.

"The how of it was this:—Out in a two by three town in O'Hyer I have a customer who thinks that stamp collectin' consists in cornerin' every pretty copy of a certain ten cent Confedrit stamp that can be found anywhere. As stamps go, it is a peculiar sticker, and its peculiarity is different from the peculiarities of nearly every other stamp that I can think of right now. The plate of this stamp was ruled off in horizontal and vertical lines, each one just far enough apart from the next so that when the stamps were made every one of the 200 of them on the sheet sets in a little square box—not exactly square either, but not far from it— and as there was only one line to the box all around the stamp any two of them must share the line between them.

"Now sometimes one of them stamps shows the line on one side, or maybe on two sides, or even three sides, and if it so happened that the stars in the heavens above were in just the right position when it was cut off the sheet one stamp may have the line all around it, just like it was meant for a frame. And whenever one of these stamps shows one of these frame lines, the stamp next to it had to go without a frame since only one line there was for and between any two of them. What the sharp-eyed lads look for is the stamp that has the most frame, and a real hunt it is too, for these are not common chippy sparrows, but related to the dodo they are, and the relation is gettin' closer every time the sun comes up or goes down. The lad in O'Hyer just sits and waits f'r one of these birds to fly up out of the long grass and then he knocks it over and files it away in his card file for his executors to fight about sometime in the future."

"But", broke in Casey, "why do the other lads let him get them all? Why don't they mix in now and again and keep the flies from bitin' him?"

"They do", replied McVittles, "and that's what I'm comin' to. Especially I have in mind another lad right over here in Southwark, within gunshot of my voice, who takes many a crack at these very same stamps, and now and again he lands one and that makes the other lad displeased with the world and the sun doesn't shine so brightly in O'Hyer that day, and it's much the same when the case is ipse dixit, for when the O'Hyer lad picks off one that the local sharpshooter thought was all ticketed to stay right here in town, that day it rains or blows or does something with no cheer in it and Southwark is fit only to be headquarters for a suicide club. The two lads will soon get to the point where everything they do is deadly serious and nothing is sensible, and the next station after that for stamp collectors is the place where every other guest thinks he is Marshal Foch and the rest of them think they are Bill Hart, and the keepers divide their time between the battle of the Marne and watchin' rehearsals f'r the movies.

"I tell you Casey, sometimes I wish stamp collectin' was as frivolous as most every outsider thinks it is. The worst trouble with this gr-rand indoor sport is that it's too serious. You take a tired business man who has spent a long hard day at the office kiddin' his stenographer, with only two hours out f'r lunch, and when he goes home to the wife and kids at night he's as empty of good cheer as the toy balloon that leans up against the business end of a Pittsburgh stogy, and instead of worryin' his tired brain tryin' to find out what the difference between a dozen one cent blues, that look like the description of type Ia and also seem to fit the description of type IIb, and are probably somethin' else entirely, he ought to be playin' puss-in-the-corner with a handful of pink tigers from French Congo or chasin' a pack of bicolored Nyassa giraffes from the bottom row of his album page to the top row and back again. Stamp collectin' may be a science, but I hope it's many a long day before most collectors find it out. When that day ever comes—and may it never get here—then the kids who know nothin' of science, and are glad of it, will have all the fun.

"But to resume what I was sayin' before I interrupted myself,—one day a little while back, in walks the lad from Southwark, gives the old gahboon a kick to show his feelins are kindly, and hands me over an unlimited bid on one of them ten cent Jeff Davis stickers that was comin' up in an auction a few days later. Lookin' at him coldly out of one eye and with a merry twinkle in the other, I handed him back his bid and says, 'nothin' doin'.'

"'What's disturbin' your digestion', says he, 'isn't my money any good any more?'

"'Sure an' it's good', says I, 'but today it doesn't happen to be good enough, for this very mornin' I have received a telegram from beyond the other side of Pennsylvania and it was short and all to the point. It instructed me to buy that very same stamp no matter what damage was done to anyone's pocketbook, and you very well know I cannot accept two unlimited bids on one stamp, especially when each of them comes from a friend.'

"He did not take the news kindly at first, but after he had favored the old gahboon with two more not overly gentle caresses with the toe of his boot, the sun began to shine through the clouds and he says, says he to me,—

"'Well, I suppose it's best to make the best of it, and so here's what I'll do: I'll not bid at all. You buy the thing if you can be lucky enough and as long as I intended to put in an unlimited bid and am now withdrawing my bid entirely, I'm willin' to match your other friend to see which one of us gets it, at whatever price you have to pay, provided no dark horse takes it away from both of us. That's a fair offer', says he, 'and your friend will be well to accept it.'

"'Yes' says I, 'that's as fair an offer as any horse can make when he's tryin' to beat out the one that's next to the post, and if the lad who got started first

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25c, No. 309 ..... .04
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*3c, No. 84 ..... .10
7½c, No. 86 ..... .10
15c, No. 89 ..... .05
*17½c, No. 90 .... .12
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"'Of course not', joins in the other, 'though you are wrong about the flyspeck. I myself would have bought it when he offered it to me only the price was too high. Why', says he, 'Raskin wanted nearly 50% of what it would bring at auction, and no stamp is worth as much as that. Besides', says he, 'there was more than one invisible flyspeck on it. There were two, one on top of the other.'

"Believe me or not, Casey, but they argued it back and forth and so I put on my hat and walked over to Raskin's and left them goin' it for all they were worth. And Raskin loaned me the stamp, and after studyin' it for a couple of hours, I found the place where the flyspeck was supposed to be and could almost see it, but I couldn't tell whether there would have been one flyspeck or two if it or they had really been there. Not to save me.

"The auction came and went and my luck was in, and I sent both of the stamps out to O'Hyer, tellin' the lad there that he could keep either or both. While they were gone the Southwark lad comes in and I tell him about Raskin's copy, and he says, if it comes back he'll take if, f'r half a pretzel is better than no cheese at all. The O'Hyer lad writes me he's keepin' the auction copy and hasn't decided about the one I got from Raskin, but he wants to take a photygraph of it to keep in his Rogue's Gallery, so I knew he was suspectin' it had one or two invisible flyspecks. It's number 37 in the left pane, he says, and he already has eighteen copies of number 37, and one more would be nineteen, which is too much, he says.

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"But what about the gahboon, McVittles? Where did that come in? Did the Fox Club make you a present of it?"

"Not exactly, Casey, that is, not entirely of their own free will. It took persuasion, and more than a little of it. I just told those two fellers they'd lose their membership in the club if the story ever got out, and if they wanted to keep it from gettin' out through me they'd do well to make a donation to the place they use for a club room, and I gave the old gahboon a kick and looked at it pretty hard for a minute or two, and I guess that gave them an idea. Anyhow, not long afterwards, one day I was givin' my old briar its semi-annual clean out and when I reached f'r the old gahboon it wasn't there, and this new one was. I like it better, Casey, it's bigger."

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—*Roessler's Stamp News.*

THE PRECANCEL.

By FREDERICK W. ALLEN

It is evident by the increased interest in precancels taken during the past few years, that these stamps are rapidly becoming more and more prized by the majority of U. S. collectors. There is a fascination about precancels which, when caught, leads one to consider the majority of foreign stamps drab and uninteresting. In my case, precancels enslaved me utterly for several years after I was bitten by the "bug." Disposing of my collections of foreign and U. S., I began my quest for the cancelled bits, with all bridges burned behind. At the present writing, I still value a precancel as nothing else, but I have resurrected my regard for British Colonies, of which I once more have a fine display.

A difficult problem for the beginner is to choose just what precancels to collect and how to arrange his collections in the most satisfactory manner. There are not too many to collect "en masse," but the interest will be keener if only certain lines are considered.

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STAMPS OF THE UNION OF SO. AFRICA.

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(We are pleased to present our readers with this interesting study of the stamps of the Union of South Africa. When the serial has been completed in the WEEKLY it will be reprinted in booklet form. We have had cuts made showing the varieties that are described in the article, but their use will be delayed until the article is reprinted, as they are double column width and would require considerable space. Mr. Rich has a very interesting and valuable diagram showing the genealogy of the Union of South Africa postal service and stamps, with the dates of the first and last issues of stamps and of mergings of services.—W. O. W.)

CHAPTER I.

Introduction.

The understanding of the stamps of the newest of the Dominions will be easier if their historical antecedents be understood. After the Anglo-Boer War of 1899 to 1902, the ambitions of the South African Republic to control the whole sub-continent of South Africa were for a time dead: on the other hand, the ambitions of the Cape Colony towards this end seemed about to be attained, as all the sub-continent was now either autonomous British Colonies or Crown Colonies. In 1906 the Orange River Colony and the Transvaal became autonomous, exactly as the Cape Colony and Natal had for years been, and with this, two former leaders of the South African Republic, who had taken the oath of allegiance, became heads of the Transvaal government. Under the skilful guidance of these men, Generals Louis Botha and Jan C. Smuts, the Transvaal, aided by its great material prosperity during this period, again aspired to dominate the sub-continent.

Accordingly, in 1908 and 1909 conferences of the accredited delegates of the four colonies were held, and schemes of federation discussed. Despite the desire of Natal for a federation like that of the United States or Canada, the Cape and Transvaal delegations secured the adoption of a scheme of highly centralized union, leaving only such matters as schools and roads in provincial hands. In 1909 the British Parliament passed the South Africa Act, which established the Union of South Africa in accordance with the adopted scheme, to commence its existence as a nation on June 1, 1910. This Act, which is the South African constitution, is unique in the constitutions of British Dominions, in that it provided that after June 1, 1920, the Union of South Africa had the power in certain respects to amend its own constitution without the interference of the British Parliament; and also in that, altho the capital of the country

was established at Pretoria, the seat of Parliament was located at Cape Town and the Supreme Court at Bloemfontein. The postal services of the four colonies were merely consolidated to form the new national postal service.

The four constituent provinces included the greater part of the small countries and colonies in South Africa, which have from time to time issued stamps. The Cape Province comprised the Cape Colony as it existed in 1909, including Griqualand West (annexed 1884), British Bechuanaland, which had been the Republic of Stellaland previous to 1886, and which was annexed to the Cape in 1898, and Griqualand East, Natal Province included Natal as it was in 1909, including Zululand, annexed to Natal in 1898, and the New Republic,

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In 1915 the South African army conquered the German colony of German Southwest Africa, and this has since that time been administered as part of the Union of South Africa, to which it was assigned by mandate under the Treaty of Versailles.

CHAPTER II.

"Interprovincials."

The philatelic history of the Union of South Africa begins with the interprovincial use of the old Colonial stamps of the constituent provinces, during the first three years of the national existence. In this we shall see the dominance of the two large provinces, exactly as American history shows the dominance of the then three largest states of Virginia, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts after 1783. The stamps of the four colonies were used interchangeably throughout the country for three years, exactly as were the stamps of the constituent states of the Australian Commonwealth after 1900.

It must be noted that except where records of purchases of stamps were kept, or where the cancellations show place and date clearly, the interprovincials cannot be identified. The stamps in question are the regular issues of the four colonies as in use in 1910; all "King Edward head" series, and printed on paper watermarked anchor for the Cape stamps and multiple crown and C. A. for the other provinces.

I have seen the following:

Cape Stamps. In my collection:—Used in Cape Province, ½d, postmarked Capetown, Oct. 17, 1911; 1d, postmarked Rondebosch, July 25, 1911; ½d wrapper, postmarked Capetown, April 1, 1912. Used in Natal Province, ½d, postmarked Durban, 1911; 1d, postmarked Durban, March 5, 1911. Used in Transvaal, 1s, Postmarked Johannesburg, Feb., 1911; 1d envelope, postmarked Jeppestown, May 17, 1911; ½d wrapper, postmarked Johannesburg, Aug. 8, 1912. Elsewhere: Used in Cape Province, 1d, postmarked Port Alfred, June 28, 1919; several 1d and ½d postmarked Capetown, various dates in 1911.

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Orange River Colony Stamps: In my collection:—Used in Cape Province, 2½d, postmarked Uitenhage, May 14, 1912; 4d, postmarked Kimberley, 1911; 4d, postmark not wholly legible but shows clearly C. G. H. (Cape of Good Hope). Used in Transvaal Province, 2 envelopes, ½d, postmarked Johannesburg, Feb., 1911. None seen elsewhere.

Transvaal Stamps: In my collection: Used in Cape Province, ½d, postmarked Capetown, Aug. 8, 1913. 1d, postmarked Wynberg Cape, 1913; 4d, postmarked Capetown, date illegible; 6d, ditto; 1d wrapper, postmarked Kimberley, July 11, 1913. Used in Natal Province: ½d, postmark shows "Natal" Dec. 21, 1911; 1d, postmarked Adams Mission Station, May 28, 1911; 1d, postmarked Durban, Sept. 10, 1912; 1s, postmarked Melmoth, Zululand, April 27, 1912; 10s, postmarked Durban, Sept. 19, 1913; 2s 6d, postmarked Durban, April, 1913; 1s postage due, postmarked Pietermaritzburg, June 5, 1911; 2d postage due, postmarked Mapumulo, Natal, Sept. 10, 1914. Used in Orange Free State Province: ½d, postmarked Kroonstad, May 30, 1913; 1d, postmarked Harrismith, Nov. 23, 1911. Used in Transvaal Province: ½d, postmarked Johannesburg, May 2, 1912; 2d, postmarked Pretoria, 1912; 1d envelope, postmarked Germiston, Jan. 12, 1911. Elsewhere:—Used in Cape; 1d, postmarked East London, Feb., 1912. Used in Natal: ½d, postmarked Durban, 1912; 1d, postmarked Charlestown, 1913; 1d, postmarked Pietermaritzburg, date not visible; 1d postage due, postmark shows "Natal", 1915; 2d postage due, Durban triangular postmark, Oct. 14, 1914.

After the issue of both postage stamps and postage due stamps, and in fact after the issue of post cards and envelopes, the remainders of the old stamps on hand were used up gradually. In particular, I have the Transvaal postage due ½d, used in Durban, Natal, in 1917, and again in May, 1920, and have seen the 3d of the same cancelled in Durban as late as 1919. The 1d postal card of the Transvaal I have purchased and used at Durban and at Adams Mission Station, Natal, in 1916. I have one of these, bearing the postmark Adams Mission Station, May 15, 1916.

The Colonial stamps were surcharged "Customs Duty" in black or red, and used for revenue purposes on imports by parcel post, after Union. I have the Transvaal 3d, surcharged in red, postmarked Pietermaritzburg, Natal, May 28, 1914, and the 3d Orange River Colony, surcharged in black, cancelled East London, Cape Province, date not visible.

It will be noticed from the above account that the Cape stamps would appear to have been discontinued first, about 1911, that the Natal and Orange River Colony stamps were continued slightly longer, and that in the period

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immediately preceding the issue of Union stamps, practically all the stamps in use throughout the Union were Transvaal stamps. It will also be noticed that the intercharge of Natal and Transvaal stamps for use in these two provinces seems to have been a consistent practice. This will be the more readily understood when it is recalled that the Union Government had at its head—and still has—the same group that controlled the Transvaal government after 1906.

It will be in place at this point to mention that all stamps that were valid for postage in the various colonies before Union, are still valid in the whole of the Union. This will include therefore all stamps of the Cape of Good Hope and of Natal; all stamps of the Orange River Colony, from those of 1900, surcharged V. R. I., inclusive, onwards, Transvaal King's Head stamps; all stamps of British Bechuanaland. The disparity in date of earliest issue available will be understood readily when it is recalled that stamps issued prior to British occupation in the Transvaal and Orange Free State were demonetized when these were occupied in the Anglo-Boer War; and the Transvaal stamps, surcharged V. R. I. and E. R. I., were demonetized December 31, 1908, owing to the large number of fraudulent surcharges made in Holland. I have in my collection a cover postmarked at Pretoria in May, 1918, on which, in addition to the stamp of the Union 1d stamped envelope are two Orange Free State 1d, surcharged V. R. I. and two Orange River Colony surcharge on 2½d blue Cape (Scott Nos. 45, 55). I have used in 1918 and 1919 a fair number of these older issues, for postage, as they could even then be obtained at almost face. In fact, owing to the ignorance of postal officials, I have even used Transvaals with the V. R. I. surcharge for postage during 1919; these were then to be had at less than face.

CHAPTER III.

2½d Commemorative of 1910.

No sooner had the Union of South Africa come into existence as a government, than it was decided to issue a stamp for the rate of foreign postage, 2½d, to be issued on the date of opening of the Union Parliament. It is reported, generally in South Africa, that the intention was originally to have the stamp out for the date of establishment of Union, but that the death of King Edward VII, shortly before this, prevented such issue. On Nov. 4, 1910, the date upon which the Union Parliament met for the first time, there was placed on sale in the larger cities a stamp of 2½d blue, measuring 28x34 mm. over all, and of a highly elaborate symbolic design. This stamp was kept on sale approximately six months, as the supply lasted that long. It is still valid for postage.

The stamp is line-engraved, by Messrs. Perkins, Bacon and Co., Ltd., of London, and is printed upon a medium-soft paper, watermarked multiple flowers, perf. 14. It is found in all shades of blue from deep blue to almost a dark ultramarine; but it is probable that several of these are merely "fades", due to water-action. Three undoubted shades exist: deep blue, dull blue, and dark grayish blue.

The symbolism of the stamp is probably not exceeded by that of any other stamp

ever issued, and merits a description. At top, in the center, is the British Imperial crown, to symbolize that the Union of South Africa is one of the nations of which George V is the king. The portrait of King George, nearly full-face, fills the medallion in the centre. In the left-hand top corner is the coat-of-arms of the Cape of Good Hope; in the right-hand upper corner that of Natal; in the lower left-hand corner that of the Orange Free State; and in the lower right-hand corner that of the Transvaal. Thus is symbolized the make-up of the Union. It will be noted by the curious that the Orange Free State and Transvaal have here the same coat-of-arms as were in use in the two republics previous to the Anglo-Boer War. The range of animals and trees in these coats of arms is considerable, as it includes three lions, two antelopes, two elands, an eagle, oxen and an orange tree; also there are two anchors, two trek-wagons, and the flag of the old South African Republic. The mottoes on the arms are interesting, but space precludes their discussion.

Surrounding the King's head, in blue letters on white, is the name of the country in both official languages. This is our first acquaintance with bilingualism: it is provided in the constitution of the Union of South Africa that both Dutch and English are to be official languages and that all government printed matter must be in both languages. This is further carried out in the words "Postage" over the left numeral of value and "Postzegel" over the right. Immediately above the numerals of value on each side is the protea, the national flower of the Cape, and intended to be the national flower of South Africa. However, subsequent usage has replaced it by the mimosa as the nationally accepted national flower.

Beneath the medallion is the date of the formation of Union, surrounded by four stars. These stars not only symbolize the four constituent colonies, but also form a conventionalized representation of the Southern Cross, indicating thus where the country is situated. The rectangular outline of the stamp is filled out with well-designed scroll work.

I have no figures as to the number issued.

(To be continued.)

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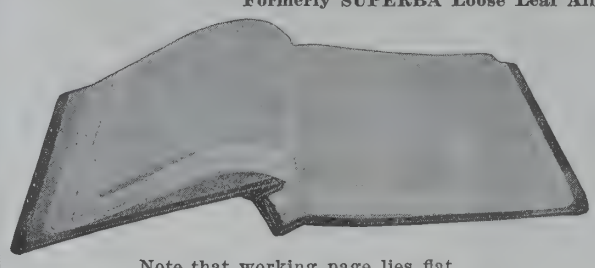

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Instead of continuing the series with the handsome design chosen for the 10c and 20c an entirely new one was decided on for the new denomination.

The same portrait of the King was used and this was set upon an upright oval medallion with a groundwork of horizontal and vertical lines — cross-hatched, as it is technically termed. This resulted in the removal of the epaulettes and there are slight differences in the shading of the hair and the lines of the coat and the stars to the right of the cravat are more distinct, but undoubtedly the portrait on both designs owed its inspiration to the same source. The portrait oval is enclosed within a rectangular frame containing "POSTES" in open capital letters at top and "QUARANTE CENTS" in solid letters below. In the upper angles are small circles containing the numerals of value, while all these details rest on a groundwork of foliate ornamentation which also fills the borders. In the small spaces between the ornamentation and the outline of the oval and outer frame are horizontal lines.

The engraving of the die is generally attributed to Jacques Wiener but while Wiener was evidently entrusted with the entire work of production there are strong grounds for the belief that the die itself was actually engraved in England by H. Robinson as explained at some length in the last chapter.

The plate was of steel and also consisted of 200 impressions in two panes of 100 each placed side by side as in the case of the first issue.

The first printing of this new value took place in September, 1849, at the same time as the second printing of the 10c and 20c so the same handmade paper was used—i. e., that watermarked interlaced "L L" within a frame. According to Mr. Bouvez this printing consisted of 160,000 stamps while Mr. de Bont gives the number as 144,000.

On November 27th, 1849, a postal agreement was concluded between the British and Belgian governments upon practically the same lines as that between Belgium and France. This agreement became effective on February 15th, 1850, and so increased the demand for 40c stamps that a second printing was made in May, 1850, at the same time as the third printing of the 10c and 20c. This was evidently a small printing but again our authorities differ as to the actual numbers printed for Mr. Bouvez says 72,000, Mr. de Bont says 84,000, while Mr. Leavy says 50,000. It almost looks like a guessing competition! All three writers agree that the first and second printings differ but as one says thick paper, another ribbed paper, and the third a lighter shade, where the actual difference lies is certainly obscured. We have already shown that differences in the texture of the paper cannot be admitted as a test in distinguishing printings and we doubt if the shade differences are constant enough to be a sure and certain guide.

Other postal agreements made by Belgium with Luxemburg (April, 1850) and Switzerland (July, 1850) so increased the postal business of the kingdom that it was deemed wise to have all three of the denominations then in use of the same design. Accordingly on August 10th, 1850, the Minister of Public Works sent a notice to this effect to the Director of Posts couched in the following words:—

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	Mr. Leavy.	Mr. de Bont.	Mr. Bouvez
10 centimes,	500,000	498,000	475,000
20 "	395,000	376,000	370,000
40 "	22,000	54,000	13,000

But which, if any, of these are the correct figures it is apparent that all three stamps of this design on the frame-lined watermarked paper are scarce. Consequently they do not offer much variation in tint, light and deep shades being about all that can be obtained. These stamps are all of considerable rarity unused, as can well be imagined from the small numbers printed, and really fine used copies are difficult to find.

The plates were apparently made with more care than those of the first issue, or probably the workmen had with practice become more expert, for none of the striking re-entries are shown. The same plates were used for the stamps of the following issue and in connection with that issue many stamps have been listed with re-cut frame lines, etc. Whether these re-cut lines were added before the plates were used or were needed later owing to wear is a disputed point. Mr. Leavy seems to hold the latter view and if, as he infers, these varieties are only found in connection with unframed watermarked stamps then his point would appear to be proved. But owing to the comparative rarity of the stamps of this issue there is room for considerable study before the matter can be definitely settled.

REFERENCE LIST.

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(To be continued.)

KANSAS CITY BANQUET.

We have received from Allen Sears an account of the second annual banquet of the Kansas City Stamp Club, held at the Hotel Savoy on Jan. 12. It was a most enjoyable occasion, with Allen Logan acting as toastmaster in his usual easy and hospitable manner. The evening's success was assured from the beginning.

After the opening address by the toastmaster, which was full of enthusiasm for a bigger and better club, the first president, Wilson D. Wood, forecasted the future of Kansas City philately. A general round-table discussion followed.

The hit of the evening was the auction. The principal items were donated by members of the club for the benefit of the club library and general club advertising. Nearly $100 was raised.

We have already given our readers an excellent idea of the activities of this club by reprinting the account which appeared on the menu folder, which was used in connection with this happy event.

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Discount—In his work, The Five Latin-American Republics, published in 1918, Mr. Dana G. Munro tells of the use of postage stamps as currency in Guatemala because of the shortage in the metal coinage and apropos of this, Mr. Lowell J. Ragatz, writes: "I am reminded of what a friend who was in Guatemala in 1918 told me. He stopped at a post office and asked for several hundred sets of stamps which could be had for wall-paper prices because of the unusually low value of the peso. The stamp clerk expressed some surprise at the request. Had he understood *senor* correctly? Yes, he was a stamp collector. Ah, a stamp collector? Would he please come into the office? When my friend accepted the invitation, the wily Guatemalan handed from a covered basket several piles of sheets of stamps of various denominations. These he offered at a substantial discount from those on sale at the stamp window. It developed that he had just received several months' back pay in postage stamps. 'It is take them or nothing, *senor.*' When this had happened before, he had spent many hours vending them below face to banks, merchants and fruit corporation representatives. But if *senor* was a stamp collector, perhaps he could use some? The upshot was that my friend secured some thousands of sets at 20% discount below the ridiculously low post office price. He took them to New York with him where they were turned at a neat profit."

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Ironic—A learned professsor indites playfully a criticism on the steed and its master as represented on the new twenty mark of Germany. He showers classical allusions in a way to make us blanch at the thought of our ignorance mythologically. However, he ends his analysis with the warning that the man shows what happens to those who "follow the ponies".

Sisson—The death of Wesley A. Sisson of St. Louis, who, before his fatal illness was living temporarily in Chicago removes a pillar of philately, as Mr. Sisson was one of those lovable and substantial philatelists who combined the older traditions of collecting with the progressive measures of the advanced school. Latterly, Mr. Sisson, while somewhat along in years, has been attending the annual conventions of the national philatelic societies and he often voiced the satisfaction that he had in mingling with his fellow collectors on these occasions; and we may add that Mrs. Sisson, too, was much interested in stamps and accompanied her husband on his philatelic jaunts. Mr. Sisson devoted much attention to the private perforations of the later U. S. stamps and was regarded as an authority on them. Just a short time before his death, Mr. Sisson at a meeting of the Chicago Philatelic Society exhibited a number of old U. S. and he said that he was making some investigations regarding the shading under the left "X" on the ten cent of 1847. Mr. Sisson was always ready to extend a helping hand to philately in his own city of St. Louis, where he had lived for so many years; and his death is a loss that is not easily sustained. All too soon do we have to place a wreath in memory of life member No. 16 of the American Philatelic Society.

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Letter—A letter from Mr. Wm. A. Grant of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Peking, China, though received by a friend so long ago as May, 1918, is not without interest. Mr. Grant, referring to the current junk, etc., types, says: "All of the stamps in use at the present time were entirely engraved by me. It may interest you to see one of the originals to compare with one that I sent to Waterlow, London, to copy; the second shows the Waterlow work and the third is the one that I copied from Waterlow. As the stamps were in circulation, I had to copy them as closely as possible. The reason for sending the stamps to Waterlow was due to the outbreak of the revolution in China. The original dies were ready for the making of the plates when the trouble broke out and the post office was in a great hurry to get the stamps in circulation." On a card sent by Mr. Grant are three specimens of the three c, green, junk type. The first appears to be a proof engraved by Mr. Grant; the second is the Waterlow copy and the third is one that Mr. Grant copied from the Waterlow stamp, the three stamps making a graphic record of the progress of the issue. As the catalogue says, the slight differences in the London and the Peking printing do not loan themselves readily to description.

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Steamer—Recently, we sent to Mr. Edward S. Knapp, New York, a steamboat cancellation on an envelope that bore no stamp but instead the postmark form, "Paid. F. A. Dentzel, Agt. P. O., N. O." in red. Mr. Knapp is much interested in steamboat letters and he sent for inspection two envelopes with similar markings, concerning which he says: "One shows another type of 'Dentzel' and the lettersheet is dated, 1850, and the notation inside makes me think that it came by boat (the 'F. M. Streck'); and the other cover shows the cancellation 'N. O. U. S. City Post,' addressed to New Orleans and sent from Eutaw, Ala. Dentzel may well have been an employe of this city post and his duties probably were to get mail from boats and trains for the post office. Perhaps he only served the boat mail." Mr. Knapp adds that he came across a bill-of-fare, dated 1859, of one of the old steamboats, "which was mighty interesting with its hand-drawn picture of fish, etc."

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Remiss—It is certainly incumbent upon us to say something here about the recent article in the *Scientific American*, headed "Stamp Frauds and Their Detection", which has attracted no little attention. As the article, which is illustrated with the reproductions of about seventy-five stamps, was written by one whose philatelic knowledge is embracive, it is readable, indeed. The whole article is admirably worked up, and with the pictures, shows clever presentation. The text is well calculated to make an impression on the general reader of inquiring mind and its information is to be accepted without the traditional grain of salt. More power to the philatelic member of the staff of the *Scientific American* and eke, to Mr. Percy G. Doane, through whose courtesy the stamps were pictured. We hope that some collectors have scrap-books large enough to accommodate the stamp articles that are appearing in the general press.

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Being a true interpreter of the situation in the Near East, and well versed in the Balkan question with a sincere wish to see peace and friendly relations established among the people of the Balkans, Bourchier could not but become a defender of the Greek in their heroic struggle for liberty, especially during the Cretan revolution, and later take part in stirring up the sympathy of the peoples in Europe in favor of the Serbians in their liberation from the Turks and then later still in their struggle against the Austrians. Up to ten years ago he was known throughout the world as a friend of the Greeks and until his death he was an intimate friend of Mr. Venizelos, in co-operation with whom he contributed so much toward the creation of the Balkan Union in 1912.

It is not by mere chance that Bourchier made Sofia his permanent residence in the Balkans. The Britons rarely make mistakes. The reliable paper which he was faithfully serving could not fail to understand that it was Bulgaria which was destined to play the principal part in the Balkan Peninsula. Consequently this great Briton, doubtless the greatest press correspondent of modern times, chose Sofia for his permanent residence—Sofia, the centre of all Balkan events and movements for time immemorial, and the focus of all diplomatic, political and economic aspirations of the Great Powers in our century.

And if later he grew fond of the Bulgarian people that should not surprise any one who has had like him an opportunity to know the Bulgarians close at hand. Like many other connoisseurs of the Balkan people he did not pretend not to see the defects and rough characteristics of the Bulgarian race, but he knew that all peoples have faults and weaknesses. On the other hand he was fully and deeply convinced of the sincerity, sobriety and their love of physical and mental labor of the Bulgarian people and also generally speaking in the righteousness of the Bulgarian cause in the struggle for national unification. His opinion was that in Southeastern Europe there will be peace only according to the principles of self-determination and when every nation felt itself master of its own destiny. That was the purpose of the ill-fated Balkan Union of 1912, to which he gave the first impulse and for which he continued to work ceaselessly in Paris and London during the Great War, even at the risk of his own life.

"I shall never cease to work for justice in the Balkans and for Macedonian liberty", said he to his many friends in 1915, when leaving Bulgaria. And he kept his word. His personality, honor and name were so unsullied that he was the only one to whom the French and English authorities did not dare to deny the right to visit the Peace Conference at Paris. In spite of constant warnings, criticism and protests against the wrong solutions, which were being adopted at the Peace Conference with regard to the Near Eastern questions, he always remained undaunted by the numerous intrigues, which were being aimed against him. He never ceased to point out the mistakes of the Peace Conference and warn of the fatal consequences for the peace of the Balkans and of Europe, which gained for him the hatred of the official circles, which threatened him more than once. Greeks and Serbians who have been oppressed until now at once became oppressors and were especially hurt by this prophet of human righteousness doing everything possible to compromise him.

During his stay in Paris a plot was organized against him: he was attacked from ambush while walking in the streets of Paris, which nearly cost him his life. But Bourchier was afraid of nothing. In his opinion to bring out the truth with regard to the Balkans, was in the interests of England and of Europe and consequently brought relief to his soul. The defence of Bulgaria for him was in the first place the defence of the principle: "you are not injuring

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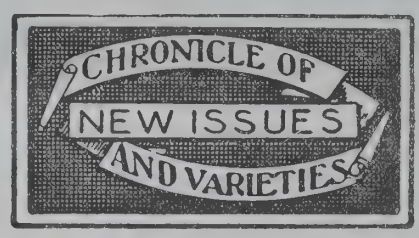

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—In this column, a few weeks back, mention was made of the fact that United States specialists generally were agreed that the imperforate 24c, 30c and 90c issue of 1860, Scott's numbers 37, 38 and 39 were not regularly issued, that is sold to the public in the usual way. Mr. Elliott Perry in Scott's *Journal* for January presents additional facts on the same subject and arrives at practically the same conclusions. He goes further and concludes that the 30c black is better entitled to recognition, if any of them are to be given catalogue rank, than those now listed. I certainly agree with him on this point for as the correspondence shows, the department was badly in need of 30c stamps at a time when the black stamp was on hand and why should they not have used the black stamp until the others arrived? They had been using a black 12c denomination and if they had not used some of the 30c how did they arrive at the conclusions so promptly that the variety did not show up the cancellation properly?

Mr. Sherman Follansbee, noticing my recent remarks, kindly sent for inspection a small part of cover showing a 5c, 10c and 30c without perforations cancelled with a seven bar black grid cancellation. There is not the slightest doubt that these stamps were without perforations when they were placed on the cover, but in the olden days clerks used to cutting stamps apart continued to do this after the perforating had started. The 5c on this part cover was type II and of course this plate was made after the department had discontinued issuing stamps in imperforate sheets. The 10c and 30c were cut into the design. Mr. Follansbee has no doubt had this piece a long time and feels positive it is the correct thing but anyone making a study of the subject would know that these are only trimmed copies.

In spite of the fact that the postal regulations are most clear as to how stamps shall be cancelled many a cover comes through with a colored postmark and the like. Mr. F. R. V. Williams has just called to my attention a registered letter from Elkhart, Indiana, having pen cancelled stamps with an additional rubber stamp date in purple. I mention this, for here of late my attention has been called to many such irregularities, as for instance, revenues used for postage, stamps cut in half and used, etc.

Mention was made quite recently of a 2c on 3c Provisional envelope, Kansas City overprint, Size 10, Die H, Wmk. 19, on extra quality paper. Close inspection has since shown this to be a Minneapolis overprint, and we will ask our readers to kindly change their records accordingly.

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We wish to thank Messrs. Homer Terry, E. M. Sperling, C. J. Breder and Mrs. J. H. Beck for notes of interest.

ABYSSINIA.—Mr. W. W. Lythe advises that he has just received from this country the following surcharged stamps on the 1919 issue: ¼g on 1g, 2g on 4g and $4 on 2g.

ARGENTINE.—Mr. Arthur Carthew advises that the wording at the bottom of the 5c red Postal Congress stamp of this country has been changed from "Buenos Aires—Augusto de 1921" to "Republica Argentina".

BAVARIA.—We are advised by Mr. Chas. Metz that he has just received a copy of No. 260, imperforate, of which he informs us there were only 200 stamps sold. Also a copy of the 35pf orange, type A10, no surcharge, imperforate.

BELGIUM.—Mr. Henry Hooreman advises that the following Parcel Post stamps will shortly be withdrawn; 1.10, 1.20, 1.40, 1.60frs and frs. 0.05, 1.05 and 2.40 issued.

BRITISH COLONIALS.—Mr. Fred A. Jekel advises that with the arrival of the 3d blue, of Gibraltar, the 2½d value will be withdrawn and that the latest printings of this value are being carefully sought for as it is believed that they will have an early appreciation in values among philatelists.

BRITISH HONDURAS.—Mr. Frank Pollard Brown has shown us a 4c grey stamp of the type of the 2c, No. 89. The watermark is script CA. The Economist Stamp Co. sends us for chronicle a copy of the current 1c stamp on script watermarked paper.

BULGARIA.—We have received from Ivan Matincheff samples of the 10, 20, 50, 75st and the 1 lev. red and 1 lev. blue of the so-called London set recently issued. The 1 lev. red is sold out and will be scarce. It is succeeded by the 1 lev. blue.

CONGO.—Mr. Henry Hooreman writes us under date of Dec. 31st last that the Belgian Congo and the B. Occupation in Africa sets have been withdrawn from sale. The "1921" set is on sale, also the Airmail set, but it is doubtful whether the 1915 set, now temporarily withdrawn during the stocktaking period, will be sold again.

CYPRUS.—The 30 paras and 2pia stamps are now printed on script watermarked paper, according to advices we have received from Mr. R. Roberts.

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By F. E. RALSTON.

The 13c apple green, always a desirable item, comes to me lately from two Kansas towns, Herrington and Fort Scott. Got yours yet?

I have not noticed the 3c Victory listed from Columbia, Mo., or Fort Scott, Kans., by any collector. They're not to be sneezed at, and are evidently scarce items.

Another item the catalogues do not list is the 15c Napa Calif., double, perf. 11. I've had mine for a year. Napas are not plentiful, especially doubles.

Lately comes a block of 3c dues from Carthage, Mo., in a rubber roller type which is the "real stuff." Have had the 1c regular issue for some time. Who has other values from Carthage?

From a Texas correspondent comes to me new items for my collection—the 5c perf. 11 Dallas, Tex., U-14 type, both regular and invert on the same stamp; also the same value, regular and double invert. They are desirable for "any-man's" album

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(The Third Congressional District of Colorado is represented by Hon. Guy U. Hardy, who is not only a member of the House of Representatives but the proprietor of the Canyon City (Colo.) "Record." In a recent number of his paper appeared an article entitled "Confession of a Stamp Collector," and we think it interesting enough to reprint in the WEEKLY. Mr. Hardy in a letter to the editor informs us that he was a reader of our publication a quarter of a century ago.—W. O. W.)

"Postmaster General Hays has established a philatelic agency for the sale of postage stamps in demand among collectors industry rare and obsolete issues."

This little item in the news columns of the daily press means nothing to most readers. To a bunch of stamp fans, so to speak, over the country, it means that they can now order through the Post Office Department any quantity of stamps they want for their collections and that they will get perfect specimens selected for collectors.

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When I was a kid, I was a stamp collector. I never built up a large and valuable collection, but did gather together several thousand varieties with a specially good set of U. S. Revenues for a country town. At 16 I was an embryo dealer, with printed letter heads, approval sheets, running little ads in philatelic journals and having quite a little correspondence. Of course this was all amateur business and didn't amount to very much as dealers talk these days. But it was my first business venture and out of it I got some good experience. I got a taste for business and a desire to write, and advertise **and publish.** I never actually developed it, but at 17 I had plans already to start

a little amateur stamp journal of my own. That year I was going to a normal school and the next year I went out in the country to teach school, which new occupation put a close, more or less, to my stamp collecting and exploitation.

However, I have never forgotten much that I learned in the business and I remember well the enthusiasm with which a boy pursues the game. How we ransacked the town for old correspondence; how we dug into bunches of old papers; how we pestered our friends to let us have their old letters; how we traded one with another for stamps that each of us did not have. I wrote letters to people all over the world, it

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seemed to me then, asking for stamps. I remember one chap, a friend of a friend of mine, who ran a coffee plantation out miles from anywhere in Guatamala, who used to write me nice letters and send liberal bunches of those picturesque and highly-colored Central American stamps.

And I recall as I write, an incident I had not thought of for many years—it being merely a pleasant little correspondence with a bright young lady, at Portsmouth, N. H., which grew out of a sale of a few cents' worth of stamps. It reached the stage where photos and Christmas presents were exchanged and then languished, as such little affairs so often do. And as I write, I wonder what has become of the fair collector of thirty years ago, whose name I have quite forgotten—whether she has grown old in maidenhood or has big boys, or perchance even young grandchildren, who are collecting stamps.

I recall that in those early boyhood days, the first enthusiastic days of collecting stamps, that my dreams were mostly along that line. The happy dream would be of digging through old trunks and secretaries and finding big bunches of old envelopes with stamps on, of dates preceding the Civil War.

I haven't done much with the collection in 25 years but I still have the instinct. I never throw away a foreign stamp nor a U. S. issue above the smaller denominations. I like to give them to boys who are interested. And even down here, in busy Washington, last summer I found a couple of windows wherein rare stamps were exposed for sale and I have often walked around that way on my way to the capitol, just as a woman window-shopper goes to look at fine things she never expects to buy.

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These are confessions I never expected to make, publicly. I never told anybody in Canon City that I collected stamps. I suppose long ago I feared that it would have been considered kiddish, trivial, or silly, by grownup men. And in my early years in Canon City, I was endeavoring to assume the airs of grownup men.

Two things have made me bold and interested. First, the official recognition General Hays has given to the game of stamp collecting; and, second, the fact that I am finding some of the largest collectors of stamps in the country are members of Congress.

Representative Ernest R. Ackerman of New Jersey, is a much traveled man, one of the most traveled in Congress, and he has one of the finest stamp collections in this country, and it must have cost a lot of money.

Senator Frelinghuysen also of New Jersey, is an enthusiastic collector and has recently taken it up again in connection with his son and is getting a lot of pleasure out of it.

Several other senators and representatives are said to have excellent collections. Lady Geddes, the wife of the British ambassador, is an active collector, as are also a number of other people prominent in big affairs, I have heard of, down here.

The King of England has one of the finest collections in the world. Of course with him, money is little object and he can afford to buy any specimen he desires. But it is said that he takes great pleasure and gets much recreation in the building up of his collection. At the outbreak of the war, he ceased to be interested but as the strain of war developed. he turned to his old hobby for relaxation and recreation and did considerable business with stamp dealers.

So now, I am not ashamed of having once been half nutty on the stamp collection game.

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Is stamp collecting worth while?

Well, from the standpoint of the grownup, I have no advice to give. If one can afford the price it costs—and it does cost a lot of money to make a good collection—it is an interesting game, and one can get a lot of fun out of it. If one is looking for an indoor hobby, it is a good one.

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By STEPHEN G. RICH.

CHAPTER IV.

Issue of 1913.

This issue, now current, and replacing all other issues, is surface-printed from steel engraved plates, by Messrs. Thomas de la Rue and Co., Ltd., of London. The stamps are, as is usual with the issues of countries using sterling coinage, printed in sheets each of which consists of four panes of 60 stamps each. The plate numbers are in large white figures in coloured circles with borders, one on each pane, on the short side and on the edge opposite the second stamp from the corner of the sheet. The watermark is a springbok's head, one to each stamp. The paper varies somewhat, but is medium soft, and the gum is slightly yellowish. The perforation is 14, clean cut.

In bringing out this issue the colour-scheme of the U. P. U. was adhered to; but the colour-scheme of the Crown Agents for the Colonies, to which the last Natal issue and a few of the Transvaal higher values conformed, was entirely set aside.

The stamps are of the same size as those of Great Britain and the United States. They bear the Imperial crown at the top, and the profile of King George V, facing to the left, in the medallion. The value is in figures only, followed by

the abbreviations "s." and "d.", for shillings and pence respectively. The name of the country is inscribed around the upper two-thirds of the medallion in the two official languages. The words "Postage" and "Postzegel", on the same side as the corresponding language for the name of the country, complete the inscription around the medallion. In the ½d and 1d stamps, beneath these two words are the words "Revenue" and "Imkomst", since these two stamps do double duty. It may be here added that the 2d and 3d are sometimes used for revenues also.

The series as originally issued consisted of the following values, with the following normal tints of color:—

½d green.
1d scarlet.
2d dull violet.
2½d deep ultramarine.
3d brownish orange and black.
4d olive green and orange.
6d bright purple and black.
1s dull orange.
2s 6d green and claret.
5s Prussian blue and claret.
10s light olive green and dark blue.

A large number of shades exist of each, and they will be discussed in connection with other varieties below.

The following types of variety are known within this issue: it will be seen that quite a number of them are due to the disturbed industrial condition of the world during and just after the World War, resulting in difficulty in obtaining inks or papers of uniform quality.

1. Defective plates.
2. Defective watermark and inverted watermark.
3. Varieties of paper.
4. Light and heavy printing.
5. Shades.
6. Plate numbers.

1. Die or plate varieties. These are confined to the ½d, 1d, 3d and 4d.

In the ½d there were found as early as 1916, a number of specimens in which the dash between "Postage" and "Postzegel", beneath the medallion, had been continued to the right, though broken, so as to run into the letter P of "Postzegel", thus making it read as almost "Rostzegel". I have a specimen of this, cancelled at Adams Mission Station, Natal, July 8, 1916. Mr. W. R. Long, of Durban, Natal, informs me that he has found sixteen or seventeen such in looking over five thousand specimens from that year to 1919. I have also a curious specimen in which the dash is not thus connected to the letter P, but in which a thin white dash stands between the dash and the letter. This is a part-perforate coil specimen, bought by me in Durban in 1920. There are also four curious variations or defects in the beard of King George, which I discovered in 1920. In one, the front line of the beard is broken midway; in the second there is a square patch of solid color on the middle of the front of the beard; in the third the front line of the beard has a notch midway up it; and in the last there is a ring around the tip of the beard. These are all 1919 or 1920 varieties. I have also a specimen used at Durban in October, 1920, with a white spot about 1 mm. each way, on the neck, below the corner of the jaw. Mr. W. R. Long informs me, and the journal *Stamp Collecting* announced in May, 1920, that this stamp is found with the O of "Postzegel" entirely missing.

In the 1d the variety with broken front line of beard exists, probably of 1919; and I have a specimen cancelled at Pietermaritzburg, Natal, in 1920, in which the letter T of "Postzegel" is entirely missing. Here, as probably in the "Pstzegel" ½d, the missing letter is replaced by solid color. I have furthermore a specimen cancelled at Pauwpan, Cape Province, in 1921, in which the upright stroke of the P is broken and the S has a tail, in "Postzegel". It is probable that the variety with loop on beard exists in this value also, but I have not yet seen it.

In the 3d I have discovered a variety, issued in 1919, in which the dashes on the ribbons beneath "Postage" and "Postzegel" are not of uniform thickness, as is normal, but are thin except for the right-hand one of each group of four or five.

In the 4d the journal *Stamp Collecting* announced in June, 1920, a variety with the inscription "Union OI South AIRICA". The letter I where wrongly

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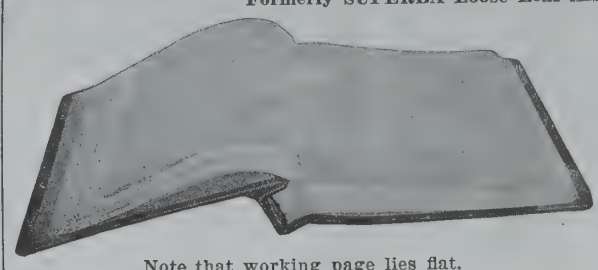

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2. Varieties of Watermark. The printers of this issue have been careful in avoiding inverted watermarks and misplaced sheets, until within recent years; but inverted watermark is now known for the following values: ½d, 1d, 2d, 3d, 6d, 1s, 10s. Of these I have seen all, and have all but the 10s. It is probable that the 4d occurs thus also, but I have no record of it. The ½d, 1d, 3d and 1s are known as early as 1917, and the remainder are from 1918 and 1919. The ½d with inverted watermark I have seen with plate number 5 only.

I have a vertical pair of ½d bought in 1918 at Edendale, Natal, in which one stamp has the normal watermark, but the other has the left horn of the springbok broken.

I have also the 1d, from 1920 and from 1917, printed so that the watermark is partly upon one stamp and partly upon that above or below. This is known as the "multiple" watermark, though that term is a misnomer. The variety is, of course, only a papermaker's error in cutting the sheet. I have the 3d similarly "multiple", cancelled at Pietermaritzburg, Natal, July, 1921.

3. Varieties of paper. The paper on which this issue is printed is distinctly thinner than that in use for our American stamps, and is not unlike that of the "hard paper" U. S. stamps of 1870 and 1873 in its texture, though softer. It is found unchanged until late in 1920, when a number of values were issued on a paper distinctly thinner and more easily torn. With the new paper, the watermark is often a series of actual pinholes, and under a good lens the holes can be seen. The following denominations, in my collection on this paper, are all thus far found upon it:—½d, 1d, 2d (1921), 2½d, 4d (1921), 6d (1921), 1s (1921). It is probable that the whole set will ultimately appear on it.

I have also the 2½d from Pretoria, Transvaal, April, 1921, on a paper with small thin circular spots in it.

4. Varieties of printing. It is possible to distinguish in these stamps light and heavy printing, as well as shades of color due to actual variations in the ink. Since 1920 the heavy printing has become more common, and the bulk of stamps now used are heavily printed. I have the ½d, blue-green shade, in this printing; the 1d in very light and normal printing as well as this, and including a heavy printing of a light, almost pink, shade: the 2½%.

5. Varieties of color. With this phase of the discussion we enter on the vexed question of "shades" and their proper recognition; and also that of "fades". The shades here given do not include any that are obviously caused by solution of the ink in removing stamps from the covers: in fact I have been careful not to wet certain values at all and odd shades of any value, in collecting them. In the 2d and 6d, in particular, one can manufacture surprising shades by leaving the stamps in water for a while; it is possible to get the 6d with

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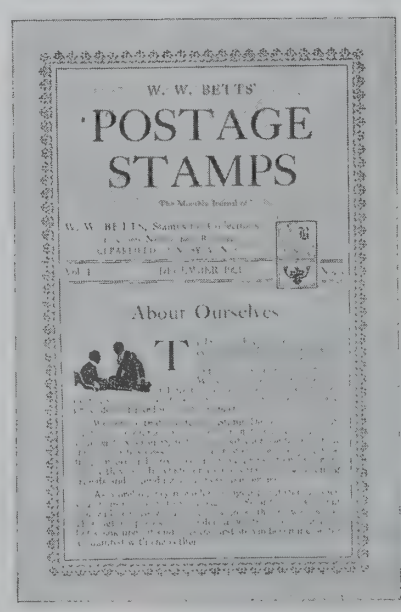

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½d, pale yellow green (1919), yellow green (1917 and 1918), green (1913 to 1916 and 1919), dark green (1919), blue-green (1920 and 1921), in several tints of light and dark, becoming more distinctly blue-green in 1921 on thin paper.

1d pink (1919), rose in several tints, (1918 to 1920), scarlet (1913 to 1919), deep carmine (1920), carmine lake (1917), lake (1918, 1919). At present mostly printed in carmine.

2d, pale dull violet or even lilac (1919 and 1921), thru dull violet (1913 to 1918) into purple-brown (1918, 1920). Now printed mainly in light dull violet.

2½d, ultramarine (1913 to 1919), thru dark ultramarine (1921) and sapphire (1918), to light blue (1917). The recent dark ultramarine is always heavy print and coarse-looking.

3d, border from brownish orange (1913 to 1917 and 1919) to orange (1916 and 1921) and pale dull orange (1918). Medallion black, except in 1921, when grey black in orange border.

4d, border light olive-green (1918), olive-green (1913 to 1918), dull green (1920), dark olive-green (1918). Medallion deep orange before 1918, pale orange since then.

6d, border bright purple (1913 to 1918), since then dull purple or deep mauve in various tints. Medallion black (1913 to 1918), since then black and gray-black.

1s, dull orange, rather pale in hue (1913 to 1918), dull yellow-orange (1918), and original color since then.

2s 6d, green and claret (1913 to 1920), dark bluish green and claret (1921).

No variations known for the higher values.

6. Plate numbers. The following incomplete list gives all those of which I have any record.

½d, Nos. 1, 2, (in use in 1916), 5 (in use 1919). The ½d invert-watermark is from plate 5.

1d, Nos. 1, 2.

2s 6d, No. 1 (in use 1921.)

I shall be pleased to receive further information on this phase of the subject.

Varieties in perforation will be dealt with in the next two sections, in which they all come.

(To be continued.)

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Arthur Barger, a former advertiser in the WEEKLY from Framingham, Mass., and more recently with the Marks Stamp Co., has engaged in the stamp business in Montreal, under the name of the Northern Stamp Co. He is located in Room 14, Guy Block, 747 St. Catherine St., W. On his visit to Massachusetts a few weeks ago he called at the office of the WEEKLY in Beverly and exhibited a line of stamps that fully justifies the fine quarter page advertisement that he has elsewhere in this issue.

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The following description of the exhibition appeared in the Tacoma *News-Tribune* of Jan. 21:—

Samples of A. A. Johnson's collection of 17,000 pre-cancelled postage stamps, said to be the second largest in the country, are among other unique stamp exhibits on display in the reading room of the public library under the auspices of the Tacoma Philatelic Society.

C. F. Blogg, secretary, has on display his rare collection of Siamese and European post war stamps; J. G. Scott, vice president, an interesting group of Argentine Republic and Netherlands stamps; Clyde Brill, a collection of British penny blacks, and R. R. Thiele, president, philatelic literature, including literature contributed by other members. A virtually complete collection of U. S. centenary anniversary stamps, and the new aeroplane stamps, are included in the exhibit.

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Void—In the issue of January 7th, we told of the newspaper report of the institution of divorce proceedings against Mr. F. L. Eagleston, a member of the Chicago Philatelic Society, on the charge that he "devoted his evenings to his stamps, never entertaining his family." That the confidence of the philatelic friends of Mr. Eagleston has been well bestowed is shown by the withdrawal of the bill. It seems that the lady has become reconciled to the idea that stamps are not the worst thing in the world to occupy a husband's idle moments or evenings. As we have said before, the collector is apt to be a home-body; and as such should be in demand. We celebrate the vindication of philately and its ardent devotee.

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Slip—Several weeks ago, a paragraph was printed regarding the different spacings to be found on No. 151 of Azores, the Republica surcharge on the 20r orange of the postage due set of Portugal, between the words, "Republica" and "Acores." By reason of a typographical distortion the subject was not presented plainly. This Azores provisional was printed in two operations and in consequence there is every chance for variations in spacing; and these differences, while of some specialistic interest, have no significance.

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Fair—From Mr. Henry A. Meyer we have received the following sage observation; and while he does not pose as a proponent of the stamps under notice, he thinks that the continued chorus of catcalls at their expense is piling it on a bit. "New Europe, like all other afflictions, has its uses. Every time a lecture is delivered or an essay is written on the benefits to be derived from stamp collecting, it is emphasized that the collector gains a knowledge of geography and history far beyond that possessed by the student who learns these subjects in the orthodox way only. If this value of collecting exists, and I am fully convinced that it does, then the European issues of the last three years can amply justify their existence. It cannot be denied that a collection of New Europe contains infinitely more geography and history than a collection of Bristish colonies or perhaps any other of the popular groups, to say nothing of reconstructed plates of U. S. 1851 or cancellations on three-cent greens. I do not say anything derogatory to these forms of collecting; I indulge in several of them mildly, myself. I am not arguing the values of sound investment or of scientific specialization. I am only seeking to fix for New Europe that value which is claimed for collecting as a whole which has probably done more to convert parents and teachers to a tolerant, if not cooperative attitude, than any other phase of the hobby."

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Home—Upon arriving home from a European trip, a correspondent says that about the first "duty" that he performed was to read the accumulated WEEKLIES. He says that the news of the death of Charles Haviland Mekeel was a shock to him and, quoting from his letter, "your sketch of him in the paper of October 29, 1921, was a fine example of biographical detail. Your description of different of his qualities was excellent. I wish greatly to know how old Mr. Mekeel was and where he was born, particulars to that effect having been overlooked, evidently." Mr. Mekeel has said that he was born on December 1, 1861, on a farm in Westchester County, New York, "which had been the family homestead for a period dating back to 1653." In Ricker's "History of Harlem," there is an account of some of his ancestors who were among the earliest settlers of New York State.

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Stir—Comments on the article, "Stamp Frauds and Their Detection," are still coming in from readers who refer to it most flatteringly. We learn that the writer of the article is Mr. George F Newton, Jr., the "philatelic" member o the staff of the *Scientific American;* an we congratulate him upon his effectiv work. In our opinion, the opening para graph is a singularly clear and concis statement that is almost worth memoriz ing: "The bulk of the stamps which th non-colletor sees have no intrinsic valu They retail for a cent or two apie but this merely covers the cost handling them. There are perha 25,000 varieties from all over the wor that have a true market value, based rarity and demand. Those costing le than a dollar are apt to be selected trash; and as we approach the hundr dollar class the market is of cours limited. Nevertheless the real rarities, which the known copies are numbere come as high as five and ten thousa dollars, with plenty of buyers to abso the limited offerings." We ask that t several readers who wrote about the a leged worthlessness of stamps costi less than one dollar, not to take this o servation literally; it just happens th the division line is made at that figure Mr. Newton.

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—B. Mex Mehl is sending out an announcement to the effect that he will soon auction the wonderful collection of coins and medals formed by James Ten Eyck of Albany, N. Y. This collection contains some of the greatest numismatic rarities. We cannot take the space to enumerate all the good things, which include the so-called Brasher Doubloon, the 1804 dollar called the King of American coins, and other exceedingly rare things. An idea of the extent of the collection may be obtained from the fact that it will be listed in six parts, gold coinage of the U. S., silver coinage of the U. S., American colonial coinage, copper coinage of the U. S., foreign gold coins and foreign silver coins.

—We have just received the Year Book of the Junior American Philatelic Society containing membership list, constitution and reports for 1921. It is compiled by C. H. Hollister, the retiring secretary. The new secretary is Tom E. Foote of Grand Rapids, Mich., who will be glad to give any of our readers full information concerning this promising society.

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—The annual banquet of the Syracuse Stamp Club will be held Friday evening, February 20. Collectors who happen to be in this town on above date will be welcome. The Club is holding its yearly exhibition at the Carnegie Library. The exhibits are changed weekly and attract considerable attention.

—I think there should be a distinction and a difference drawn between persons who collect stamps for the sheer joy of the hunt, and because of liking stamps for their beauty alone; and the collectors who collect only because they can make money out of collecting. To me a common Columbian 1893 U. S. stamp is still as pretty as any I own. I collected stamps for years without knowing or realizing that they had any market value to stamp collectors; so it seems deplorable to me that many collectors care only for the money side of the game.—H. S. Dickey, in the *West*.

—"At the recent Adenaw Auction sale Imperf. U. S. Revenues in pairs, strips, etc., *usually brought many times cat.* A few prices of interest:—*2c Certificate Imperf. block of 4, cat. 80c, brought $16.00.* 10c Cert. imperf. strip of 4, cat. $24, brought $35; *$20 Mortgage Imperf. Vert. Pair,* lower copy close, *cat. $100 brought $115; 2c Propr. Ultra, o. g., perf., block of 10, unique, cat. $50, brought $165;* 4c Playing cards, Perf., o. g., very fine, cat. $12.50. brought $24.50; *$200 2nd issue, o. g., the gem of the sale, cat. $225, brought $212.50.* Many state revenues brought from $10 to $50 each."—M. OHLMAN.

OUR BOOK REVIEW.

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BETI'S HOUSE ORGAN.

Elsewhere in this issue is a fine announcement of W. W. Betts' house organ.

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INDEX FOR 1921.

We are glad to state that A. H. Pike of Buffalo, N. Y., has just completed an index of the WEEKLY for 1921. We shall publish it in an early number of the WEEKLY and reprints will be furnished to any of our readers who may desire the same. We have five 1921 complete volumes that will be sold with index at $1.25 each. This will be a good opportunity for interested parties to secure a nice clean volume of the WEEKLY at a bargain price.

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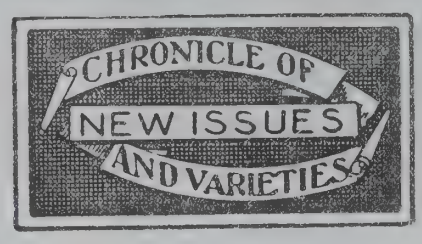

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—In a recent Chronicle I spoke about certain used copies of the August issue of 1861 which were known to philately. I specifically mentioned a copy of the 5c with a five concentric ring black cancellation. Mr. Eugene Klein supplements these remarks by informing me that he has seen two copies of the 1c and has learned on good authority that a copy of the 3c also exists with the same cancellation. This has led him to conclude that a certain number of these stamps, possibly two sets, were cancelled with this experimental cancellation. He has studied a large number of other stamps of the period, but has never found this cancellation on any variety except the August issue, hence the conclusion that this cancellation was not applied to stamps actually passing through the mail.

Mr. F. R. Demmerly advises that the Postage Meter Company informs him that under date of December 22, 1921 the Post Office Department approved a new type of marking for metered mail. This consists of a circular postmark with the name of the city and state and within the larger circle a smaller one with date. The stamp portion is elliptical in shape reading "U. S. POSTAGE—2—TWO CENTS PAID—2—" with the permit and meter number. The Meter Company informs me that they expect to put this new marking into operation without delay and that it will supersede the previous type. The usual seven wavy lines are also to be noted in the new type.

Mr. LeRoy Pratt adds another new variety to our list of provisional envelopes, although he does not send a copy for inspection. It is a die H on blue, and next to the H on buff is the scarcest of the 3c type. This variety has only been reported from one or two cities, and we are pleased to learn that it exists with the Seattle overprint.

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We also desire to thank Messrs. Byron Elliott, S. G. Rich, C. W. Gustafson and Harry Lacks for notes of interest.

BRUNEI.—*Whitfield King's Bulletin* notes "There is an interesting variety in the 1908 issue, 2c chocolate and black, printed from plate 2, the 34th stamp on the sheet shows the clouds having been filled in at the top left corner of the vignette."

CONGO.—Mr. Henry Hooreman writing to us under date of 12th ult., advises that the new Belgian Congo surcharges are expected to be literally in the air almost immediately. They will comprise:—75c blue, 1fr red and 2fr violet. Transverse oblong in format, these three stamps will be in a uniform design, strikingly effective, of which the central *motif* is an aeroplane in flight over the town of Casablanca. The stamps are now being engraved by the heliogravure (*taille douce*) process, and their appearance may persuade the French postal authorities to issue aerial mail adhesives for France itself. A new series of ordinary stamps is also in active preparation for the French Protectorate of Morocco. —*Stamp Collecting.*

NICARAGUA.—Mr. William McFarland informs us that he has just received a letter from this country franked with two new provisionals. One is the 5c gray overprinted "Vale Medio Centavos" in two lines in red and the other is the 2c green surcharged in red "R de C. Vale C0.01".

PALESTINE.—Mr. Sherman Henri advises that he has received an interesting pair of the E. E. F. stamps surcharged "Palestine" on a piece of cover. One stamp is the 2m green, No. 116, while the other is No. 106, surcharged like the recent set, but the English word Palestine is spelled "Palestinr". The "r" appears a trifle smaller than the other letters.

SENEGAL.—Writing from Sassandra, in this French Colony, a correspondent says that no authority was given for the use of the bisected 50c as 25c ones, referred to in our August 13th issue, and that it was only due to the ignorance of the native employees that a few of these "splits" passed through the post.—*Stamp Collecting.*

SYRIA.—We learn that all the stamps of the older types, in use until lately in and around Damascus, have been withdrawn and replaced by those current in Beyrout and vicinity. No preliminary warning was given, and it is stated that all the withdrawn stamps are to be, or have been, burned.—*Stamp Collecting.*

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he P. O. Department is very de-is of centralizing at the Washing-philatelic stamp agency all obsolete es of U. S. stamps. In the January al Guide it is plainly indicated that e stamps are wanted for the purpose eeting the needs of stamp collectors, the Guide mentions a dozen issues are particularly in mind. There is al injunction laid upon postmasters they need not report stocks of air-, Pilgrim ter-centenary or 3c Vic-stamps. We are indebted to D. G. for this item of news.

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CHAPTER XII.

Miscellaneous Notes.

Industries.

Mahogany cutting is the chief industry, and large quantities of logwood and hardwoods of various kinds are also shipped. Sapodilla gum, or chicle, used in making chewing gum, is exported in large quantities to the United States. In the Stann Creek district, bananas are cultivated with success.

In 1919 the imports were valued at $4,695,416, and the exports at $4,448,809, the United States supplying about 70% of the former, and taking 90% of the latter. Nearly all the foodstuffs as well as a large percentage of clothing and other material came from the United States. The mahogany and cedar exported to the United States was valued at $580,786. Shipments of coconuts, mahogany and chicle were higher in value than in previous years, while the shipments of bananas were lower. The direction of trade in 1919 is shown by the following figures:—

	Imports.	Exports.
United Kingdom,	$ 405,017	$ 667,880
United States of America,	2,945,964	3,456,954
Mexico,	574,763	279,287

Revenue and Expenditure.

The revenue of the Colony is derived principally from customs, internal taxation, light and wharf dues, railway, and the Postoffice. The figures for recent years are given below:—

	Revenue.	Expenditure
1916	$ 640,462	$613,788
1917	676,227	675,235
1918	721,233	670,737
1919	1,065,622	981,816

The principal increase in revenue in 1919 was occasioned by customs and internal taxation, these being $254,834, and $25,467, respectively, in excess of the figures for 1918. The Post Office and Railway were operated at a loss of $1078. and $2173. respectively.

Expenditures in 1919 was increased by the grant of $10,000. to the Returned Volunteers Committee, and $181,454. in quelling the labor riots in Belize in July of that year, which were not brought to an end until a man-of-war from Jamaica arrived.

The excess of assets over liabilities, April 1st, 1920, was $329,163. There is a public debt of $874,800, with a sinking fund of $153,528, leaving the net liability of the Colony, $721,272.

Currency.

The standard of currency is the gold dollar of the U. S. A., the gold coins of that country being legally current at their respective values. The British sovereign and half-sovereign were legal tender for $4.86, and $2.43 respectively, until the recent deflation. The subsidiary silver currency is coined specially for the Colony, also a bronze 1c and a nickel bronze 5c piece.

Under Ordinance 32, 1894, currency notes were issued for the sums of $1, $2, $5, $10, $50 and $100—those in the two latter amounts have since been withdrawn from circulation.

On March 31st, 1920, the currency in circulation was $613,669, of which $444.859 was in currency notes, and $177,927.75 in silver and bronze. There is also a considerable quantity of American notes in circulation.

Government Savings Bank.

There are six savings banks conducted by the Government, one in the chief town in each district. The rate of interest allowed is 3% per annum.

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By V. W. ROTNEM.

We have purposely neglected any mention in any "news" manner of the P. C. A. Too often new "would be" organizations bother philatelic publications with publicity only to see them falling by the wayside and then your good work comes to naught.

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NOTES ON NEW ISSUES.

By A. KOECHLIN.

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The *Pharmaceutical Era* is a trade paper that is published by Mr. A. H. Harvey, Interlaken, N. J., and some months ago, the following article appeared in it, headed "Fortunes May Be Found in Stamps". It is readily seen how an account of the profit possibilities carried by the old medicine, perfumery and playing card stamps is particularly appropriate for a druggists' paper. Mr. Harvey says: "To one statement in the article I think we might take exception to, viz.: 'The common every-day postage stamps that we find on letters will never be worth anything in our time'." Here is the article in part:—

Up to a few years ago the rarest postage stamp known to exist and the most vaulable was issued at Baltimore in 1845, and bears the signature of James M. Buchanan. It is of the denomination five cents and found in two colors, black, worth $800, and blue, worth $750, or more. Recently others have been found which have commanded a higher price. The stamp issued at Brattleboro, Vt., in 1846, buff in color and also of the five cent variety, is catalogued at $1,200. In 1874 another stamp came out at the post office of Millbury, Mass., which is worth today $1,750. It is bluish in color and cost five cents the day it was used.

Charleston, S. C., issued a stamp in 1849 that is now so valuable that its price is not quoted. If it should be found among the old papers, deeds, wills, etc., of some southern druggist he would be able to clean up enough from his find to stock a new store, or buy a mighty nice car.

Fortunately some very valuable issues were used as revenue stamps for proprietary medicines. A careful inventory of some of the druggist's oldest shelf warmers will reward the pains of his search by disclosing old stamps which will bring mighty attractive prices at the large stamp auctions that are frequently held.

From 1862 to '83 patent medicine manufacturers used stamps to distinguish their preparations. Some of the largest medicine makers do this yet and even the stamps to be found on their products every day in use have a certain small value. Some of the oldest firms to so distinguish their products were the Anglo-American Drug Co., J. C. Ayer and Co., whose one cent stamp of the old date is catalogued and valued at $300. There is no doubt that some of these stamps still exist on bottles of the preparations, or boxes of pills in some of the old drug store stocks.

A mighty fine find and worth the hunt would be those of Demas Barnes and Co., Barry's who made and still makes Tricopherous, D. M. Bennett, W. T. Blow, Brandreth, John Bull, J. S. Burdall and Co., A. W. Chace and Co., Dalley's, Perry Davis and Son, B. A. Fahnestock, Hall and Ruckel, Hostetters, Herricks, D. Jayne and Son, Dr. Kennedy, Kendal, Lee and Osgood, D. Ransom and Co., Seabury and Johnson, Jas. Swaim, J. L. Thompson, U. S. Proprietary Medicine Co., Wells & Richardson Co., and many more firms who were in active business at the civil war date. These little stamp labels are all worth large sums, not all as much as the one cent issue of the Ayer Co., but they command good prices according to the number of them that have been found.

It is interesting to know about these old time relics but who will buy them? is the natural question which comes to the druggist's mind. In answer a few facts must not be overlooked. Stamp collecting is not a fad unless you call collecting old art masters the same. It is the pastime of the most cultured and refined persons in every country. There

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The large firms hold at frequent intervals stamp auctions. The stamps discovered by several persons who want to sell are catalogued and this list is sent around to the various dealers and collectors. They make their bids oftentimes by mail and the highest bidder gets the goods. Returns are made promptly to the stamp owners after the sale, a small commission only being withheld. According to this if the druggist should find several stamps of an old variety he could offer them one or two at a time and at different sales thereby getting the highest cash price his stamps would bring. Ardent collectors in addition to dealers watch these sales and if the stamp is rare the bids are high.

Issues of postage stamps become valuable when all but a few of a variety have been destroyed through the activities of our civilization. The common everyday postage stamps that we find on letters will never be worth anything in our time. It will be hundreds of years before they, if cancelled, will be worth any more than such a bit of paper. If uncancelled, unused they are always worth their face value and it is usually figured that they advance in value at the rate of savings bank interest on the amount of money they represent.

In addition to the revenue stamps to be found on old bottles of perfumery, such as the issues of 1864-81, there are also valuable private trade mark stamps similar to the ones which the proprietary manufacturers got out. E. W. Hoyt and Co., Lanman and Kemp, Tetlow's, C. B. Woodworth and Sons and other old timers used these stamps. These issues now sell anywhere from twenty-five cents to $5. Look the old bottles over before they go into junk.

Playing card stamp issues, because they are so rare, are extremely valuable. You will recollect that all decks of playing cards to-day have a revenue stamp on the end. Professional gamblers look for these seals and will not buy the pack if this seal is broken. In 1862-71 they were using these stamps. Washington's head was the picture and the denomination was one cent, which represented the amount of tax paid. It seems that through all administrations playing cards have been taxed. These early issues were red in color and if in good condition bring $15. The three cent denomination is green and is worth $50.

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The stamps used on ready printed envelopes are worth more if the whole envelope with its address and all is preserved. Post cards the same. Collectors seem to be finicky about having them mutilated in any way. Watch out for old telegraph stamps, registration stamps, postage due stamps and special deliveries, all have a value. They are usually unearthed among old papers and in grandfather's trunks. Perhaps on ancient love epistles.

OLDEST U. S. POST OFFICE.

ST. AUGUSTINE, FLA., Jan. 19.—St. Augustine is believed to possess the oldest post office building in the country. Postmaster Charles F. Hopkins, after a research extending over a period of two years, has received copies of official records in the "Archives of the Indies" at Seville, Spain, showing that the structure he now occupies was erected sometime between 1568 and 1603 by one Gonzalo Mendez. The King of Spain purchased the building in 1604 as a residence for the Spanish Governors of Florida and it served as such until Florida was transferred to the United States in 1821.

In the archives at Seville were found official "letters and dispatches of the Governors of Florida seen in council from the years 1568 to 1610", and one referring to the purchase of a home for the Governor in St. Augustine, indicated that the housing situation in America more than 500 years ago was little better than it has been the last few years. It read:

"To His Majesty From the Governor Pedro De Ydarra on the 8th day of January, 1604:

"In this city they have never had a house for the Governor and when I arrived they lodged me in a house which was built over the seas, and it was so cold and damp that two Governors died here. These Governors were Guitierrez de Miranda and Domingo Martinez de Avendano. Even the owner himself has never been well in it, nor have I been so since my arrival.

"For this reason, there being no house to live in here, Gonzalo Mendez decided to build one and this he did in a good location.

"It is proposed by the officials of Your Majesty here that Your Majesty purchase said house of Gonzalo Mendez as a dwelling for the Governors. They have these dwellings everywhere but here."

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Of conditions in England I can tell you little that is not already known; of Germany I can tell you much, perhaps more of political and general conditions than of stamps. But this article is about stamps primarily, and there is something to say, not without interest, of stamp conditions in both countries. Buying and selling postage stamps for collectors seemed to me to be about the only active business in London, relatively, during my sojourn there last October and November.

London is, of course, the world's market for stamps, the "bid and asked" being closer together there than anywhere else—particularly on large lots which would be unsalable in this country. The business in stamps had been rather dull through the summer, but at the auction rooms there were always bids within striking distance of vaue. Towards the end of September the auctions began to fill up, business boomed, and practically everything offered brought the reserve prices.

As the leading firm of auctioneers holds from three to six sales per week, with 500 to 600 lots in each sale, and there are many other auctioneers as well, the magnitude of the business in London can readily be seen. As to the prices realized when I was there, good retail stock in general was bringing much less than it would in this country, while wholesale lots found a better market than they would here if put up at auction, the explanation of which latter is that English dealers invest more capital and carry larger stocks of "remainders," etc., than American dealers.

The best bargains to be found over there are in old U. S. stamps, that is considering the high prices prevailing here for fine copies. A similar craze prevails there for all possible varieties of English stamps, which sell distinctly higher than here. You may buy stamps cheap at the London auctions, but you certainly will not get anything for nothing, as many amateurs imagine. The rooms are full of sharpshooters who very seldom let anything get by that is not protected with a reserve and goes for less than value.

Perhaps the most extraordinary thing about these auction rooms is the utter abandon with which valuable stamps in profusion lay around the tables for hours between sales, for anybody to look over—and help themselves, if dishonestly inclined.

Nothing very new or novel is told above. Of more interest are the ever-changing conditions in Germany, where the mark, once worth 24 cents, now goes 200 to the dollar. A massive Schaubek album, that would be worth about $10 in England or America, can be bought in Berlin for a dollar. But stamps have not fallen in the same proportion. The first thing that strikes a stranger forcibly is a big "briefmarken" sign, the width of the store, in almost every block through the business sections.

Dealing in stamps in Berlin seems to be a recognized industry, even more so than in London. We hear a lot of talk that the American market is going to be flooded with stamps from Germany, at your own price, but I very much doubt it. As a matter of fact Germany is comparatively bare of stamps, except war issues and trash, the same as she is bare of gold and diamonds. True, many valuable collections have been bought by the wealthy from impoverished persons and hidden away, in the same manner as diamonds, because these forms of property can elude the tax-gatherer. But stamps thus hidden away are likely to stay hidden, except a few of the highest class, like old U. S., which are easily exported and find a ready market here at high prices.

A year or so ago, when the mark first dropped to near a cent, was the time to have picked up real bargains in stamps as in jewelry. During my recent two months' stay in Berlin I was looking for bargains myself, and did succeed in picking up a moderate line of salable stuff, but the best was gone. When there previously I saw the finest collection probably that was ever gotten together of old U. S. stamps, being gathered up from all quarters for the

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A word or two on the German people themselves, that you do not see in the newspapers, is not amiss. Mixing with the "man on the street" and with all classes of citizens, you get to know far more of real sentiment than is picked up in the lobbies of the Adlon and Bristol. I gathered that the majority of Berliners would be glad if England and France took the despised ex-kaiser and the whole murderous crew of military assassins and hung them. Why don't the Germans themselves do it? Why, because any such attempt would result in civil war. A third of the German people still are would-be tyrants, and they have more wealth, power and influence than the other two-thirds, the exploited "common people," combined.

While I was in Berlin a member of the Reichstag proposed a bill to confiscate the ill-gotten gains of war profiteers and others of the murder-bund. He was assassinated within twenty-four hours by "parties unknown," as an example for others. That is the punishment promptly meted out for free speech by public men in Germany. The people at large would welcome a protectorate by England, but are in deadly fear of their erstwhile victims, France and Poland.

BOOK REVIEW.

By S. G. RICH.

The International Junior Postage Stamp Album—Scott Stamp and Coin Co., New York. (New revised edition, December, 1921.)

This well-known and favorably-received album for the general collector who is just beyond the beginner-stage, has just reappeared in an edition brought up-to-date. The arrangement, binding, etc., are so familiar that we do not need to mention them here, except to remark that the paper is of somewhat better quality than in the last edition. This improvement will certainly be appreciated by those using the album. The addition of spaces for the various new countries that have issued stamps within the last two years, and the spaces for the post-war issues of the other countries, appear to be as well arranged as the older parts of the book, and, like them, provide for those varieties that the general collector is most likely to get.

We could wish for a few details that have not been attended to; principal of these is the numbering of the pages. We note also that certain countries are not arranged consistently with the scheme adopted with others. For example, the former "British South Africa Company" is properly not given separate place, but is included under the issues of Rhodesia; but Stellaland, which became British Bechuanaland, is not given any space at all. At least one of its stamps is sufficiently cheap to be within the reach of a collector using this album; a space for it should be given, not as Stellaland, but under British Bechuanaland. We note also that British Bechuanaland and Bechuanaland Protectorate are lumped together under the latter title; this is directly in opposition to the facts of the countries in question.

In the matter of the statistics given, we must remark that we are sorry not to see the established Czechoslovak Republic and a number of other new countries given such statistics as are to be had. Certainly the money, area and population of Allenstein could have been given; the first of these is a bit of information of great use to the collector, and should never be omitted. The statistics for South African countries are ten years out of date. We note a singular inconsistency also in the matter of giving the supersession of stamps. Bergedorf has "Stamps superseded in 1868 by those of Germany," but Bremen is left without the corresponding information, and so is Bavaria. Nothing is given under British Central Africa to show that the stamps were succeeded by those of Nyasaland in 1908; in fact, the B. C. A. issues should properly have been put under Nyasaland. Nor do we find that the supersession of the stamps of the various Australian colonies by those of the Australian Commonwealth and those of the Cape of Good Hope, Orange Free State, Natal and Transvaal by those of the Union of South Africa are mentioned.

We must also remark that the erroneous term "British Colony" is used in describing the self-governing dominions which share equally with Great Britain in sovereignty under King George V. The five "Dominions" are no more colonies than Maine is a colony of Massachusetts.

But these are after all only minor defects. The album in its revised form continues worthily to meet the needs of a certain group of collectors. There is no album published abroad in its class as to price and size that comes so near meeting all their needs; I doubt if there is any rival among American albums in this class.

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By FREDERICK E. HEYDON.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

Stamped Envelopes and Wrappers.

The designs and colors of the beautiful stamped envelopes of Panama are finely selected and the technical work is of a high order, all of the details being very clearly embossed. They are probably as nearly perfect as can be produced by this process. I list the following:—

701. 1c (1811). Bust of Balboa to left in oval. PANAMA at top, UN CENTESIMO at bottom. 1 at each side, stamp oval, 24x28 mm., apple green, envelope 170x95 mm., oriental buff.

702. 2½c (1811). Arms of Panama in oval. PANAMA at top. DOS Y MEDIO CENTESIMOS at bottom. 2½ at each side, stamp oval, 24x28 mm., bright carmine, envelope 170x95 mm., amber. Note particularly how perfectly the embossed design shows the feathering of the condor's wings in the crest.

703. 5c (1911). Portrait of Justo Arosemena, ¾ view to left in oval. PANAMA at top, CINCO CENTESIMOS at bottom, 5 at each side, stamp oval, 24x28 mm., dark blue, envelope 240x105 mm., pale blue.

704. 1c ( ). American Bank Note Co. I presume that this has been issued in same general design as Nos. 705 and 706.

705. 2c ( ). Portrait of Fernandez de Cordoba, ¾ view to left in oval, stamp rectangle, 22x28 mm., vermilion, envelope 163x93 mm., white.

706. 5c ( ). Portrait of Justo Arosemena, ¾ view to left in oval, stamp rectangle, 22x28 mm., dark blue, envelope 163 x 93 mm., white.

707. 1c (1921). Portrait of Jose Vallarino. ¾ view to left in oval, stamp rectangle, 22x28 mm., green, envelope 163x93 mm., white.

The stamped wrappers are printed from the same dies as the stamped envelopes and the paper is of excellent quality, particularly the 2½c., for which an unusually high grade manila is used.

751. 1c (1911). Apple green on thin manila wrapper 140x265 mm.

752. 2½c (1911). Bright carmine on thick manila wrapper. 204x304 mm.

CHAPTER XXIX.

Registration Envelopes.

These extremely interesting stamps should have been popular, but while only 35,000 of each size were issued in 1918 they have been so far as I am aware no reorders. Probably their use has been confined to those who habitually use this form of remitting. The envelopes are printed on heavy manila paper reinforced with threads on the inside. On the flap is a rectangular typographed stamped 25 x 34mm., the border consisting of three lines, the inner one straight and the outer ones fancy. At top is RECOMENDADO in straight line and below it REPUBLICA DE PANAMA in curved line, at bottom CINCO CENTESIMOS in curved line, and 5 at each side; all of this being in black. In center is a large R. in red. At fold is a broad red band and below it "Para retirar el contenido córtese la cubierta sobre la linea roja." (To remove the contents cut the envelope on the red line). To the left of the special registration stamp is a rectangle 19 x 35mm. inscribed "Espacio para franque ordinario." (Space for ordinary stamp). This is partly on the flap and partly on the envelope so that the stamp will be broken in opening envelope at this point. In upper right hand corner of envelope is a large red R in oval 19 x 25mm. with other inscriptions relative to its use, space for registration number and space for address. On the other side of envelope are full directions as to its use in black except the three lower lines which are in red. Both sides of the envelopes are divided into quarters by intersecting red lines.

771. 5c black and red, manila envelope, 165 x 95 mm.

772. 5c black and red, manila envelope, 240 x 100 mm.

dealer) straightens out the little tangle. We can only re-iterate what we have stated previously, that collectors must not use our publication as a reference, unless authorized so to do.

—A. R. Bardsley, Altoona, Pa., ran an adlet, Jan. 28, of 500 different stamps post free, omitting the price $1, which should have been inserted. In justice to our printers we wish to say that the price was omitted from the original copy.

—We have a letter in this office for D. L. Hurwitz. Will someone kindly favor us with his address?

—The writer recently came into possession of a cover that might be classed as a curiosity. It is a piece of burlap, apparently having been used as a cover to a small wooden box sent from a city in Guatemala containing commercial papers en route to New York. This cover contains two blocks of fifty stamps each of the one peso value and two blocks of fifty stamps each of the two peso value, and eight ten centavo stamps. In other words there are over 300 pesos. I do not know the present rate of exchange, but it is apparent that the peso is not worth very many cents under existing conditions. The really remarkable thing about this cover is that out of all the 208 stamps only two or three are torn at all, and about half a dozen only that are chafed so as to be unsuitable for a collection. Considering how such covers generally get abused, this piece of burlap is in fine condition, and I expect to have it framed, as it is an absolutely genuine cover used for legitimate postal purposes, with no thought that it would fall into the hands of a collector.—LEWIS A. MCARTHUR.

—The St. Louis Stamp Collectors Society had their annual election of officers in January and W. D. Helman was elected President, C. N. Smith Vice-President and C. W. Swatek was re-elected Secretary and Treasurer. The Society is in a flourishing condition and is taking on new members right along,, at present numbering about fifty. Its annual banquet is to be held in February.

PANAMA INFORMATION WANTED

F. E. Heydon, 5418 9th St., N. W., Washington, D. C., would like information concerning the stamped envelopes of Panama. His chapter on stamped envelopes in this issue shows the information that he is able to furnish. He would like to know when Nos. 705 and 706 were issued. It is possible that there are varieties not recorded in his Chronicle.

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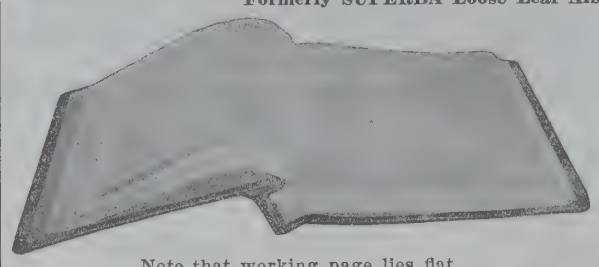

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CHAPTER V.

Stamp Booklets.

The stamps of the issue of 1913 are furnished, in booklets, each containing one dozen ½d stamps and two dozen 1d stamps, making up a value of 2s 6d. The book is sold for this price. There is not any evidence in the booklets or the stamps in them that special printings were made: the stamps in the booklet are from sheets, with perforations all around; the booklet-sheets, of six stamps each, in two horizontal strips of three have at one edge the sheet-margin used for binding them into the book. As the panes are six stamps wide for this issue, the sheets lend themselves to this manner of division for making booklets. The fact that the stamps are sometimes facing one end and sometimes the other of the booklet, and occasionally inserted upside down, confirms this. Between each booklet-sheet is a sheet of waxed paper, and the booklets are stabbed together.

From 1913 to April, 1920, a dark-red cover with an inscription giving the inland and oversea rates of postage was used. In that month a change was made to a pink cover with altered description. The details of the cover need not here be discussed.

The sheets, in making the booklets, are occasionally so cut that the perforations are removed in part from one side of the stamp, or two adjacent sides. All varieties of stamps thus part-perforated are merely damaged in booklet-making. Moreover, in such booklets, the whole of the perforation along one edge and also a piece of the next stamp, are sometimes left at one edge of the booklet-sheet.

The booklets are made in South Africa, I am informed.

CHAPTER VI.

Coil Stamps.

Only the ½d and 1d stamps of the 1913 issue are issued in coils. The 1½d of 1920 is just reported as so issued, but I have not yet seen it. The coil stamps are printed on the regular plates, and are perforated horizontally in the usual way, but are slit into strips instead of being perforated vertically. The strips are joined together to make the coils. I have a specimen of the ½d showing the joint. Thus there exist only the "vertical coils", to borrow the terminology of the specialists in U. S. Coils. The coils are of 480 stamps for the ½d and 240 stamps for the 1d, making a coil worth one pound sterling.

I have not been able to find any varieties of these stamps save some of the shades, as they are printed in the same run as the ordinary varieties. I have the ½d in green, yellow green and blue green, and the 1d in scarlet, rose and pink, of the same dates as the similar ordinary issue. The ½d with dot between dash and "Postzegel" in my collection is a coil specimen.

I have a pair of ½d damaged in the coil vending-machine, so that between the top quarter of a stamp and the bottom three quarters of another is a complete stamp.

The coils are sold through automatic vending machines, which cut off and extrude thru a slot one 1d or two ½d stamp on insertion of a penny. The coils are also sold as wholes.

CHAPTER VII.

Issue of 1916.

Late in 1915 it was announced that a stamp of the denomination of £1 (one pound sterling) would shortly be issued; but it was not placed on sale until August, 1916. The stamp is of the same design as the issue of 1913, but has £1 in each lower corner. Its colors are scarlet and green. In paper, perforation, etc., it conforms in every way to the series. I am not aware of any varieties. It is generally said in South Africa that the occasion for issuing the stamp was the need of it for the post-office telegraph service, and perhaps for large bank packages.

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CHAPTER VIII.

Issue of 1920.

On April 15, 1921, the rate for domestic and Imperial postage was raised from a minimun of 1d to a minimun of 1½d, in South Africa. Immediately after this, some persons used the unofficial "splits" of 1d stamps, mentioned below, when making up the necessary amount to put on letters. On August 24, 1921, there was put on sale at Durban and elsewhere a stamp of 1½d denomination. This stamp is in every way similar to the issue of 1913, and is printed in a dark orange-brown.

Light and heavy printings, thick and thin paper, and plate numbers 1 and 2, are all found, and were all known within a month of the date of first issue. A dark brown-orange shade appeared within this time, and also a very pale shade. A red-brown shade comes from Zwaartberg, Cape Province, in January, 1921; from Warrenton, Cape Province, comes a specimen with a square blotch about 8mm. long and ½mm. wide in the middle of the front line of the King's beard, in April, 1921; and from Adams Mission Station, Natal, a specimen with a "blotch watermark" in which the springbok's head has been replaced by an irregular thin spot, with only the horns showing, in the early part of 1921. I have specimens of all of these in my collection. Inverted watermark is not yet reported, but is liable to be discovered at any time. This stamp is also reported in strips perforated horizontally only, about the middle of 1921, but I have not yet seen it.

At the same time as the raising of postage rates, the postoffice telegraphs raised their minimum charge from 1s to 1s 3d. On October 15, 1921, a stamp of this denomination was issued, and found use for parcel post also. Like its precursors of this year, the stamp is in every way similar to the issue of 1913. The value is inscribed thus in the corners: ⅓, without the abbreviations s and d. The color is violet; the stamp is known to me only on thick or ordinary paper. I have two shades also, which are pale violet and dark lilac.

CHAPTER IX.

Unofficial "Splits" of 1920.

After the increase in postage rates in 1920, there were persons who divided the requisite additional ½d postage. This was never authorized by the Post Office officials, but in many cases the stamps thus divided went thru the mail. I have seven covers showing this: all save one went thru without charge of postage due. These covers show the 1d cut diagonally both to left and to right and both upper and lower half used as ½d; also the stamp cut across horizontally and each half used; and the strip 1d, perf. horizontally, cut in half diagonally and so used.

(To be continued.)

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On February 1st, a collector stepped into my office with a block of current 2c stamps which he thought I would like to see due to its being of a peculiar shade. I inquired if he could secure any more, he said he would try. I took no chances and persuaded him to favor me with a block of four, so that I could have an example in my possession.

"I really did not care if any more were available as the block answered my purpose. I then suggested to the collector to go back immediately and get all the balance available. He brought several hundred to me, all of which were in blocks of ten; and after having them in my possession I informed him of the fact that they were counterfeits. Upon close inspection I discovered that they were printed in sheets of ten (10).

This was proven by the fact that each of the ten stamps showed minor differences and were repeated on each sheet in the same position.

I at once notified the U. S. Secret Service Agents and sent a sheet to the Bureau of Printing and Engraving at Washington, and since that time notices have appeared in all the daily newspapers.

The stamps are engraved and printed from a steel plate, and it is an imitation made to resemble the photo-process printing. Close inspection shows that the portrait of Washington and the flow of hair differ materially on each stamp—the best one is number six on the sheet. The horizontal back-ground lines on all are very irregular and the so-called button on collar is about twice the size of the one on the genuine. The perforation is 11½, and they were printed both on thin and thick paper.

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Spread—From Mr. O. J. Olson and from Mr. Raymond S. Williams, we have received copies of newspapers containing the column and one-half article, "Not Selling Rare Stamps," that was sent out by the Western Newspaper Union to the host of papers using the plate matter of Western Newspaper Union. The drift of the article is shown in the following sub-heads, "Stamp Enthusiasts Do Not Understand New Venture of Post Office Department. Handles Only Recent Issues Victory Stamps, Pilgrim Tercentenary Issues and Airplane Stamps Among Varieties That Are for Sale." That this article will have a big circulation may be known from the fact that in Minnesota alone, the list is 224 newspapers. It has become almost impossible to mention specifically the many cases of publicity for philately that are at every hand and we rejoice that the philatelic theme is being emphasized as we have for so many years harped on the necessity for bringing our pursuit to the attention of the outside world. For a long time the philatelic article was the exception but now it is almost the rule. We must press on and not relax our efforts to gain intelligent advertising for our philately.

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Closed—There are a few collectors who are especially interested in U. S. covers that bear cancellations on their stamps or elsewhere of United States post offices that long since, as a rule, have been discontinued. Some of the early postmarks are significant, indeed; and they epitomize times that will never be known again. Certain of the covers used in the west tell indirectly of the bonanza days when mining towns sprung up over night and were deserted almost as quickly when expectations did not pan out. California, we imagine, can produce many testimonials to the shifting postal fortunes of the earlier days as we have encountered postmarks of many towns now non-existent that had their fling in the rough and ready days, only to subside soon after. We notice "Yankee Jim's" postmark on a ten cent of 1851; and this marking conjures up scenes of activity in California akin to those depicted by Bret Harte or Mark Twain. However, it must not be thought that the discontinued post office belongs to days gone by, as such is not the case. In nearly every number of the *Postal Bulletin* there is notice of the closing of one or two offices, with the consequence that their mail service henceforth will be through another post office.

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Thanks—From Mr. Walter N. Emerson, business manager of the *Mailbag*, a journal of direct mail advertising, we have received several articles from his publication that are pertinent to an item recently that we published telling of the receipt by a Chicago bank of a stampless envelope on which the sender had written, "Notify addressee and postage will be paid." We learn from the articles in question that "Return Postage Collect" is a privilege that mail-order men favor decidedly, but it is shown that Washington postal officers frustrate the success of any movement therefor by objections, plausible or otherwise, according to the view-point of the individual. We learn, too, that a plan is being worked upon by the department whereby the plan of postage payment on delivery may be given a trial. Under its provisions, the addressee would pay the postage at the regular rates upon the receipt of the mail. Of course, there would be restrictions that would relieve the authorities from loss by "bad collections."

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Bother—While on the subject of improvements in the postal service, we may say that we are certain that the department feels that its method of collecting postage due is not in line with the efficiency of the day, generally. It is understood that postage due is collected from some establishments that have large payments to make on this account, tender check or cash and that others pay upon the vouchers covered with due stamps. When a mail-order house has to pay as much as $700 in one day for goods returned to it, there is no doubt but that the need for postage due stamps of high denomination is strikingly apparent to those who have the task of affixing the stamps to large sheets of paper. The stamps are precanceled in sheets, it is true, but the affixing them to large sheets of paper is manual labor. The trouble is that in recent times some businesses have grown to proportions that cause us to marvel and which makes it almost impossible to strike an average that will be satisfactory all around. Why have quantities of the twenty-five cent parcel post dues come on the market recently? Because of the wish of the offices to work off these stamps to rate up large amounts of postage due. Returns to a mail-order house calling for the collecting of five hundred dollars would require the use of two thousand of the 25c stamps.

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Bidder—Some months ago, we received a letter from a Southern city, in which the writer asked if the Confederate essay, showing the flag of the South, could not be regarded as something more than "a sample" as it was engraved by Hoyer & Ludwig, of Richmond, Virginia. We attached no significance to the inquiry when it was received, as the signature was written so that it was indecipherable. By chance, we have learned of a letter that exists that was sent to the postmaster general of the Confederacy by Hoyer & Ludwig, in which the firm said that it enclosed samples of "postal stamps," including a ten cent that represented the Confederate flag. There was no little competition excited by the call for bids for making Confederate postage stamps and a half-dozen northern firms entered bids. Hoyer & Ludwig hoped that they would be given "Preference to Northern Houses." We wish that our correspondent would give us his reason for having known that the flag print was the work of Hoyer & Ludwig.

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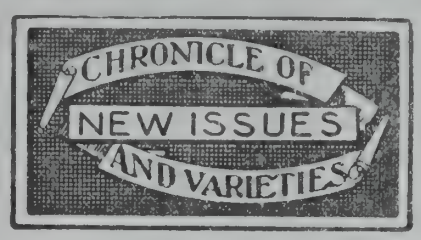

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

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UNITED STATES.—Notices sent out by the Third Assistant Postmaster General under date of January 27, 1922, call the attention of the several postmasters throughout the country to the fact that the 10c stamp is now available in sidewise coils of 500 stamps each. Coils of 1,000 stamps are not to be had, nor has the endwise coil been issued. This variety comes as quite a surprise for we have been following the plates most carefully and our recent lists show no rotary plate of this denomination. We expect, however, to be able to give our readers full information as to this stamp in our next issue. We have to thank Mr. A. E. Owen and a couple of the local postal employees for this news.

The daily papers for the last few weeks have had considerable to say about the soldier's bonus bill and it looks as if this Congress will give it favorable consideration. In discussing the details with a committee of Congress the Secretary of the Treasury mentions an increase in first and second class postage as well as a stamp tax on bank checks as ways in which a part of this expense may be met. He, however, mentions that he certainly does not recommend these taxes but simply gives them, as a means to an end. Should this detail be passed upon we will again find some minor changes in our postal issues to take care of the increased postage.

The Associated Press carries a notice of a counterfeit of the current 2c stamp. This of course is made to defraud the government and will rank with the famous counterfeit of 1895. The details given in the clipping are quite meager but we understand that they are printed in sheets of ten and are an imitation of the surface printed variety.

In our chronicle of last week, mention was made of the new type of impression approved by the Post Office Department for use in the case of metered mail. Mr. Raymond S. Williams sends the first seen of this variety, same having been used in Hartford, Conn., under date of January 27, 1922—7 P. M. Mr. Williams advises that quite an occasion was made of this first use of this meter and that the Postmaster David A. Wilson and his assistant, Mr. E. J. Dillon, were present when the machine was placed into operation. The variety carries "Permit # 1, Meter 1078". There seems to be quite a little interest taken by our readers in these metered permit stamps if we may designate them as such, and we would therefore thank our readers for any early information possible on the subject.

During the last few weeks we have had an opportunity of checking over the several larger collections in the country of the 2c on 3c provisional envelopes and find that by the time the fun is all over we will have between 1,600-1,700 varieties in all. This included all sizes, papers, dies and watermarks and will only apply to those collecting entires. Those collecting cut squares only will have less than a hundred if you go in for main overprints only and omit the dies, sizes and watermarks.

We wish to thank Messrs. Julius Kurtz, F. C. Ryan, F. C. Reynolds, Byron Elliott and Charles W. Gustafson for notes of interest.

AUSTRIA.—Mr. Maxwell Krause submits to us for chronicle a 10k stamp of a new type. At the top is the word, "Osterreich" and in each lower corner figures of value with "Kronen" between. In the centre is a new design and at the top of it as Mr. Krause notes "gas pliers." The color is red lilac.

BULGARIA.—The Economist Stamp Co. have shown us the set of nine stamps issued in commemoration of J. D. Bourchier. The stamps are printed by Messrs. Bradbury Wilkinson & Co., Ltd., of London, in sheets of 100, perf. 12, no watermark. The first two values are 10 stot orange red and 20 stot orange and show J. D. Bourchier in Bulgarian peasant costume. The 30stot dark blue, 50 stot dk. blue and 1 leva, violet, have the portrait of Mr. Bourchier while the 1½l green, 2l blue green and 5l red brown picture Rilo Monastery with the inscription "Bourchier's Resting Place." We understand that two million of each of the first five values were printed, 1,500,000 of the 1½ levas, and one million of each of the others.

A 3l has just come to hand in a blue green shade; same type as the 2l.

CURACAO.—The Economist Stamp Co., have shown us a copy of the ½c lilac, No. 63, perf. 11.

EGYPT.—Mr. Maxwell Krause reports the 10m, carmine, postage due stamp, triple crescent and star watermark, replacing the recently issued 10m, blue.

ITALY.—The Economist Stamp Co., advise that the 50c, special delivery stamp of the 1903 type has been overprinted "Cent. 60," in black.

JAPAN.—R. Yokohori submits specimens of some new stamps just issued. There are three denominations, 4 sen green, 8 sen rose and 20 sen blue. The design is very striking with a fine view of Mt. Fuji and at the right is a scene showing deer on the hill of Kasuga. Pine trees and some of the famous cherry blossoms with the imperial crest go to make up the rest of the design. The hill Kasuga is in Nara, which is noted for its age and also for its beautiful cherry blossoms. The paper is very thin in texture and is watermarked in wavy lines. Mr. Yokohori states that beginning Jan. 1, the postal rate to foreign countries has been doubled. A single rate letter is now 20 sen and the registration charge has also been raised to 20 sen.

MALTA.—Mr. Louis Carabott has sent to us the following values of the current King George set surcharged "Self Government": ¼d, ½d, 1d, 2d, 2½d, 3d, 6d, 1sh, 2sh, 2sh 6d, 5sh, 10sh.

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MEMEL.—The Economist Stamp Co., report the 50c stamp of France surcharged "Memel 1 Mark" with the added overprint "1.25" in large blue figures 10mm high.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—Mr. R. Roberts informs us that a 12c, blue, on script watermarked paper has been issued.

TUNIS.—The Economist Stamp Co., send us for chronicle a copy of a 60c stamp in the type of Scott's A6. The colors are olive and violet.

TURKEY.—Mr. D. C. Alexander sends us the following list of uncatalogued varieties which we note herewith:—

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TURKEY, SURCHARGED ADANA.—The Nassau Stamp Co., have shown us a set of eight Turkish stamps are overprinted in native characters the meaning of which is "Adana December 1, 1921." These stamps were issued in the city bearing the name for one day only, in commemoration of the signing of the French Treaty by Franklin Bouillon. The stamps thus surcharged are the 10 paras, No. 424; 20 paras No. 425; 3 pia, No. 594; 5 pia, No. 547; 5 pia, 548; 10 pia, No. 596; 25 pia, No. 434 and 35 pia, blue.

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"TUDOR HALL, VA."

Establishing a Confederate States Cancellation

By E. S. KNAPP.

In collecting Confederate States, I have always tried to find out all I can about each separate item. Postmarks on covers are especially interesting, as they each "tell a story," and the "Tudor Hall, Va.," postmark is as fine an example of this as I can cite.

My attention was first drawn to "Tudor Hall" when I examined several Confederate collections and was struck with the fact that quite a few covers and stamps bore this cancellation and that it never showed up on a late issue stamp—it was invariably on a 5c green (200) or a 10c blue of the Hoyer & Ludwig Printing, (201).

Then a little "Lot" of the 5c Green was offered to me, and they were all "Tudor Halls." "It must be a big town", I thought, so I got out a map of Virginia, to locate the "big town," and to my surprise, it wasn't even on the map. That settled it; I was interested in earnest, and when I consulted a Rand & McNally Guide and the name didn't appear I knew I had a problem to solve.

Finally, in an old Railway Guide, I came across this entry: TUDOR HALL —mail—MANASSAS. and I knew I was on the right track.

In answer to my request for imformation, I received the following from the Post Office Department at Washington:

"You are informed that according to the records of the Department there was a post office of the name of Tudor Hall in Prince William County, Virginia, the name of which was changed to MANASSAS, its present name, April 11, 1862.

First Assistant Postmaster General."

I next wrote the postmaster at Manassas, from whom, after a considerable delay, I received the following:

"I am in receipt of yours, and have delayed answering same in hopes that I might gain definite information regarding "Tudor Hall". My mother informs me that "Manassas" has never been changed in name, not even during the war. There was, however, an old Virginia homestead named "Tudor Hall," built in the 1700's, I believe, by an old English admiral or commodore, but whether the old mansion was standing during the war my mother is not sure. It is a fact, however, that the hill upon which the mansion stood was called "Tudor Hall Hill," and the place bears that name to this day. This hill is located just outside the present corporate limits of Manassas.

Very truly yours,
_____"

I had now found out

(1) That there was a place named "Tudor Hall."

(2) Why it was called "Tudor Hall."

(3) That it was on the outskirts of Manassas.

But—I hadn't found out what I wanted to, and that was why were so many letters cancelled "Tudor Hall" in 1861 and early 1862, when it was apparently such a very small place? There must have been a lot of people there, to write so many letters. Why were they there? I must acknowledge, it took me quite a while to "figure it out," but I finally did, and sent a letter to my friend the postmaster at Manassas, from which the following is an extract:

"I am enclosing an envelope, bearing a Confederate States postage stamp cancelled "Tudor Hall" and I believe, if you'll show this to some of the old residents of your district, they may recollect something concerning this Post Office. I have reason to believe that there may have been an Army Camp at Tudor Hall in 1861, and if you can think of anyone who might know about this, just ask him if there wasn't a camp there, and, if possible, find out what the name of the camp was."

I soon had an answer, reading substantially as follows:

"Mr. N——, an old Confederate soldier, now living in Manassas, informs me that he was here in 1862 and that there was a Confederate Camp at Tudor Hall, also a Post Office, and that he is sure the envelope you sent me was cancelled there. Mr. N—— is a very reliable man and one can vouch for any information he might give; he cannot remember the name of the Camp."

I never expected to find out the name of the camp, but last year I came across it. A Cover with a 5c Green had this inscription printed in the upper left corner:

"OFFICIAL— *Quartermaster's Office,*
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History tells us that Manassas was evacuated by the Confederates and occupied by the Union forces early in March, 1862. This would account for the fact that only early Confederate stamps were used at Tudor Hall, and, of course, after the evacuation of Manassas, Camp Pickens ceased to exist.

I believe all my points are proven clearly. It sounds easy to work out a thing of this kind, but it has taken me about four years to collect these facts. If any reader of this has seen the name of a Confederate Camp specified in a postmark, or anything pertaining to Southern Army Camps, I'd very much like to hear about it—address me at 158 East 64th Street, New York City.

AS BLACK AS PAINTED.

By FRED C. ZEISBERG.

Some time ago the writer purchased a twenty-five pound lot of unsorted, used stamps, and in going over them made an unusual discovery. This was a one cent, black stamp of the United States, apparently of the 1917-19 issue, as it was perforated 11 and unwatermarked. It had become detached from its cover and was so lightly cancelled that it was impossible to tell where it had been mailed.

It was first thought that a big find had been made, and that there was an error in a seven cent sheet, similar to the well known five cent carmine error. This might have happened through the use of a one cent die in the building up of the seven cent plate!

The shade of the stamp was not quite that of the seven cent denomination, however, and examination under a strong glass showed some of the hair in Washington's head to have just a perceptible bluish tinge. This made it seem that the stamp was a changeling from an ordinary one cent green stamp.

A few experiments were carried out on additional copies of the ordinary stamp (No. 409). It was found that weak or strong alkali solution changed the stamp slightly toward an olive green. Photographic developer (a weak reducing agent) had less effect than the alkali, though the tendency was the same as with the alkali. Hydrochorlic acid solution had no effect; nitric acid solution produced a beautiful peacock blue; hydrogen peroxide did nothing.

But sodium sulfide solution turned the stamp black in less than a minute; a brilliant, clear black. The "find" had evidently come in contact with sulfide before reaching me.

Further experiments showed that this same one cent green stamp when kept in an atmosphere of hydrogen sulfide over night developed the same intense black color, and in this case there was no effect on the paper. The sodium sulfide treatment seemed to roughen the paper somewhat.

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2c, No. 518 ..... *.15
5c, No. 519 ..... .15
*10c, No. 520 .... 1.10

ARGENTINE.

1873-99
1c, No. 22 ..... .07
1c, No. 22a ..... .07
16c, No. 35 ..... .07
*2c, No. 38 ..... .06
½c, No. 52 ..... .03
1c, No. 53 ..... .03
24c, No. 56 ..... .07
*2c, No. 58 ..... .30
*½c, No. 68 ..... .03
*½c, No. 68a ..... .06
*1c, No. 69 ..... .03
*8c, No. 85 ..... .25
*½c, No. 92 ..... .03
*1c, No. 93 ..... .03
*2c, No. 94 ..... .04
*3c, No. 95 ..... .10
*5c, No. 96 ..... .13
16c, No. 100 03
*10c, No. 126 .... .06
*12c, No. 127 .... .20
20c, No. 129 ..... .03
30c, No. 131 ..... .18
50c, No. 132 ..... .07

1901-9
12c, No. 138 ..... .08
5c, No. 141 ..... .30
6c, No. 143 ..... .07
*½c, No. 144 ..... .02
3c, No. 147 ..... .03
*12c, No. 152 .... .35
15c, No. 153 ..... .03
20c, No. 154 ..... .04
24c, No. 155 ..... .04
30c, No. 156 ..... .04
50c, No. 157 ..... .06

1910 Commemorative.
1c, No. 161 ..... .03
2c, No. 162 ..... .03
*3c, No. 163 05
*4c, No. 164 ..... .10
10c, No. 166 ..... .07
*12c, No. 167 .... .12
20c, No. 168 ..... .12
24c, No. 169 ..... .12
30c, No. 170 ..... .12
50c, No. 171 ..... .40

1911-21
*5c, No. 176 ..... .08
12c, No. 178 ..... .03
4c, No. 183 ..... *.04
30c, No. 187 ..... .04
50c, No. 188 ..... .06
3c, No. 192 ..... .02
4c, No. 193 ..... .06
20c, No. 197 ..... .04
24c, No. 198 ..... .06
30c, No. 199 ..... .06
1p, No. 201 ..... .12
½c, No. 215 ..... .03
1c, No. 216 ..... .04
2c, No. 217 ..... .03
4c, No. 219 ..... .10
5c, No. 220 ..... .03
10c, No. 221 ..... .05
12c, No. 222 ..... .03
50c, No. 226 ..... .20
3c, No. 234 ..... .02
10c, No. 237 ..... .02
50c, No. 242 ..... .12
1p, No. 243 ..... .12
5c, No. 247 ..... .13
30c, No. 258 ..... .06
*½c, No. 280 .... .02
5c, No. 281 ..... *.04
*12c, No. 282 .... .10
*5c, No. 283 ..... .04
5c, No. 285 ..... .04

1910-20 Official.
10c, No. 384 ..... .04
50c, No. 386 ..... .06

M. A.
*2c, No. 400 ..... .02
*1c, No. 401 ..... .02
*5c, No. 403 ..... .02
12c, No. 404 ..... *.02
5c, No. 405 ..... .03
*1c, No. 415 ..... .02

M. G.
1c to 12c, Nos. 451 to 454, ea. .02
5c, No. 455 ..... .04
12c, No. 456 ..... .05
12c, No. 460 ..... .03

M. H.
2c, No. 500 ..... *.05
*1c, No. 501 ..... .02
2c, No. 502 ..... .02
5c, No. 503 ..... .02
*12c, No. 504 .... .03
*2c, No. 511 ..... .02
*5c, No. 512 ..... .03

M. I.
2c, No. 550 ..... .03
1c, No. 551 ..... .03
5c, No. 553 ..... .02
12c, No. 554 ..... .03
5c, No. 561 ..... .03

M. J. I.
1c, No. 601 ..... .08
2c, No. 602 ..... .05
5c, No. 603 ..... .02
12c, No. 604 ..... .03
5c, No. 607 ..... .08
12c, No. 608 ..... .06
*12c, No. 608 .... .25
1c, No. 609 ..... .06
*1c, No. 609 ..... .10
5c, No. 611 ..... .02
1c, No. 613 ..... .10
*1c, No. 613 ..... .25
2c, No. 614 ..... .04
*2c, No. 614 ..... .25
5c, No. 615 ..... .03
1c, No. 617 ..... *.10

BOLIVIA.

1866-99
*5c, No. 2 ..... .22
*50c, No. 5 ..... .75
10c, No. 21 ..... .03
20c, No. 22 ..... .07
1c, No. 24 ..... *.03
2c, No. 25 ..... *.03
5c, No. 26 ..... .05
10c, No. 27 ..... .04
20c, No. 32 ..... .10
10c, No. 38 ..... .08
5c, No. 49 ..... .03
*50c, No. 52 ..... .18
*1b, No. 53 ..... .30
*2b, No. 54 ..... 1.00
*1b, No. 68 ..... .50

1901-17
*10c, No. 74 ..... .10
*5c, No. 78 ..... .40
*10c, No. 79 ..... .50
*20c, No. 80 ..... .50

BRAZIL.

1850-99
30r, No. 23 ..... .12
60r, No. 24 ..... .12
90r, No. 25 ..... .60
180r, No. 26 ..... 2.50
10r, No. 37 ..... .35
30r, No. 38 ..... *.70
200r, No. 66 ..... .07
20r, No. 69 ..... .04
200r, No. 73 ..... .20
20r, No. 87a ..... .06
50r, No. 93 ..... .05
300r, No. 94 ..... .12
500r, No. 95 ..... .07
20r, No. 99 ..... .03
50r, No. 100 ..... .03
200r, No. 103 .... .03
300r, No. 104 .... .08
500r, No. 105 .... .18
*700r, No. 107 ... .50
1000r, No. 108.... .12
700r, No. 121 .... .10
2000r, No. 128.... .50
*100r on 50r,(129) .60
200r, No. 132 .... .12
500r, No. 132c ... .20
700r, No. 133 .... .20
500r, No. 154 .... .35
700r, No. 155 .... .35
1000r, No. 156.... .35
1000r, No. 157.... .20
2000r, No. 128.... .12

1900 Commemorative.
*100r, No. 162.... .25
*200r, No. 163.... .25
*500r, No. 164.... .30
*700r, No. 165.... .60

1906-17
200r, No. 173 .... .25
500r, No. 181 .... .05
700r, No. 182 .... .08
1000r, No. 183.... .05
2000r, No. 184.... .06

CHILE.

1877
1c, No. 20 ..... .07
2c, No. 21 ..... .20
10c, No. 23 ..... .10
20c, No. 24 ..... .18

1883-1905
20c, No. 31 ..... .03
*50c, No. 32 ..... .10
15c, No. 33 ..... .03
25c, No. 34 ..... .03
1p, No. 35 ..... .05
30c, No. 38 ..... .18
20c, No. 43 ..... .07
*20c, No. 43 ..... .25
50c, No. 44 ..... .06
30c, No. 46 ..... .10
50c, No. 56 ..... .50
10c on 30c, No. 57 .05
*3c on 1p, No. 64 .06
*10c, No. 66 ..... 1.50
12c on 5c, No. 67 .05
3c, No. 70 ..... *.05
12c, No. 73 ..... .60
*1p, No. 78 ..... 2.00

1910 Juan Fernandez.
5c on 12c, No. 79 .05
*5c on 12c, No. 79 .10
10c on 1p, No. 80 .06
2c, No. 618 ..... *.10
*5c, No. 619 ..... .10
12c, No. 620 ..... .07

M. M.
2c, No. 650 ..... .05
1c, No. 651 ..... .03
2c, No. 652 ..... .06
5c, No. 653 ..... .03
12c, No. 654 ..... .10
1c, No. 657 ..... .03
2c, No. 658 ..... .03
2c, No. 661 ..... .06
5c, No. 662 ..... .03

M. O. P.
2c, No. 700 ..... .25
1c, No. 701 ..... .30
5c, No. 703 ..... .06

M. R. C.
1c, No. 751 ..... .04
*2c, No. 752 ..... .20
5c, No. 753 ..... .05
*5c, No. 753 ..... .20
12c, No. 754 ..... .08
*12c, No. 754 .... .20
*5c, No. 755 ..... .30

*2b, No. 81 ..... .65
*1c, No. 82 ..... .02
*2c, No. 83 ..... .02
*5c, No. 84 ..... .05
*10c, No. 85 ..... .08
*20c, No. 86 ..... .13
*50c, No. 87 ..... .20
*1b, No. 88 ..... .50
*2b, No. 89 ..... .75
5c, No. 92 ..... .03
10c, No. 93 ..... .04
5c on 2c, No. 95 .03
*10c on 1c,No.101 .10
*1c, No. 103 ..... .03
2c, No. 104 ..... *.04
*5c, No. 105 ..... .05
*8c, No. 106 ..... .06
*10c, No. 107 .... .10
50c, No. 108 ..... .25
10c, No. 121 ..... .02
20c, No. 122 ..... .03

5000r, No. 185.... .35
200r, No. 188 .... .05
10000r, No.190.... 1.50
1000r, No. 191.... .03
1000r, No. 193.... .05
1000r, No. 215.... .07

Newspapers.
20r, No. 352 ..... *.20
100r, No. 354 .... .20
200r, No. 355 .... *.12
300r, No. 356 .... *.12
500r, No. 357 .... *.40
*1000r, No. 359... 1.00
10r, No. 360 ..... .03
20r, No. 361 ..... .03
50r, No. 362 ..... .03
200r, No. 364 .... .12
700r, No. 367 ....*1.00
10r, No. 372 ..... .03
20r, No. 374 ..... *.06
50r, No. 375 ..... *.35

Postage Due.
20r, No. 402 ..... *.07
50r, No. 403 ..... *.10
100r, No. 404 .... .04
200r, No. 405 .... .25
300r, No. 406 .... *.25
500r, No. 407 .... *.40
*20r, No. 411 .... .02
200r, No. 413 .... .03
*300r, No. 414.... .13
500r, No. 415 .... *.35
*700r, No. 416.... .35
100r, No. 419 .... .13
200r, No. 420 .... .06
300r, No. 421 .... .25
*10r, No. 424 .... .07

Official.
10000r, No. 513 .12
500r, No. 519 .... .06
1000r, No. 521.... .15
2000r, No. 522.... .22
5000r, No. 523.... .50

*20c on 1p, No. 81 .12
*1p, No. 82 ..... .45

1910 Commemorative.
1c, No. 83 ..... .02
2c, No. 84 ..... .02
3c, No. 85 ..... *.07
10c, No. 87 ..... .05
12c, No. 88 ..... .12
15c, No. 89 ..... .06

1911-18
*3c, No. 100 ..... .06
12c, No. 103 ..... .08
15c, No. 104 ..... .04
25c, No. 106 ..... *.10
30c, No. 107 ..... .03
50c, No. 108 ..... .06
1p, No. 109 ..... .06
2p, No. 110 ..... .30
5p, No. 111 ..... .60
10p, No. 112 ..... .80
14c, No. 117 ..... .06
40c, No. 121 ..... .07
60c, No. 123 ..... .12
*4c, No. 128 ..... .03
30c, No. 136 ..... .03
50c, No. 137 ..... .04
1p, No. 138 ..... .03
2p, No. 139 ..... .20

COLOMBIAN REPUBLIC.

1865-81
1c, No. 35 ..... *.35
5c, No. 37 ..... .65
10c, No. 38 ..... .50
20c, No. 39 ..... .65
1p, No. 42 ..... .50
1p, No. 43 ..... .65
10c, No. 46 ..... .30
50c, No. 48 ..... 1.00
1p, No. 49 ..... .75
1p, No. 50 ..... .75
10c, No. 54 ..... .10
20c, No. 55 ..... .30
*50c, No. 56 .... .63
1p, No. 57 ..... .20
1p, No. 58 ..... .20
2½c, No. 59 ..... *.40
5c, No. 62 ..... *.20
25c, No. 63 ..... .75
10p, No. 65 ..... 1.00
1c, No. 66 ..... *.35
*1c, No. 67 ..... .20
2c, No. 68 ..... .30
10c, No. 69 ..... .20
5c, No. 73 ..... .10
10c, No. 74 ..... .13
10c, No. 74b ..... .25
20c, No. 75 ..... .20
10p, No. 79 ..... .50
10c, No. 81 ..... .40
25c, No. 89 .....*2.00
50c, No. 91 ..... 2.00
1p, No. 92 ..... .50
10c, No. 94 ..... .20
20c, No. 95 ..... .20
1c, No. 103 ..... .10
2c, No. 104 ..... .10
1c, No. 109 ..... *.10
2c, No. 110 ..... *.20
5c, No. 111 ..... .13

1883-99
5c, No. 114 ..... .08
10c, No. 115 ..... .20
*1c, No. 116 ..... .08
2c, No. 117 ..... .08
10c No. 119 ..... .08
50c, No. 122 ..... *.30
1p, No. 123 ..... .50
*5p, No. 125 ..... 2.00
10p, No. 126 ..... 1.50
10c, No. 132 ..... .13
50c, No. 135 ..... .13
1p, No. 136 ..... .25
*5p, No. 138 ..... 1.50
10p, No. 140 ..... .75
*20c, No. 141 .... .10
*2c, No. 143 ..... .05
5p, No. 156 ..... .22
10p, No. 157 ..... *.25
*20c, No. 160 .... .13
1c, No. 162 ..... *.03

ECUADOR.

1882-98
10c on 50c,No.18 *2.00
*5c on 50c, No.35 .08
*5c on 10c, No.72 .10
*10c on 4c, No.73 .20
*1c, No. 115 ..... .25
*2c, No. 116 ..... .13
*5s, No. 134 ..... .15
1c on 2c, No. 135 .08
5c on 10c, No. 136 .08

1901
*1c, No. 145 ..... .02
*2c, No. 146 ..... .02
*5c, No. 147 ..... .02
*10c, No. 148 .... .02
*20c, No. 149 .... .03
*50c, No. 150 .... .05
*1s, No. 151 ..... .10
*5s, No. 152 ..... .50

1904-7
*1c, No. 156 ..... .03
*2c, No. 157 ..... .03
*5c, No. 158 ..... .05
*10c, No. 159 .... .08
*20c, No. 160 .... .10
*50c, No. 161 .... 2.50
*3c on20c,(164b) 1.50
3c, No. 168 ..... .05

1908 Triangle.
1c, No. 174 ..... *.03
2c, No. 175 ..... *.07
5c, No. 176 ..... *.15
10c, No. 177 ..... *.10
*50c, No. 166 .... .05

1902-3
*5c, No. 179 ..... .10
10c, No. 180 ..... *.10
*5c, No. 210 ..... .15
*50c, No. 211 .... .04
*50c, No. 211a.... .05
*50c, No. 213 .... .15
*50c, No. 214 .... .15
*50c, No. 214a.... .15
*50c, No. 215 .... .05
1p, No. 216 ..... *.05
1p, No. 217 ..... *.05
1p, No. 218 ..... *.10
5p, No. 220 ..... *.20
5p, No. 221 ..... *.20
*5p, No. 222 ..... .20
*10p, No. 223 .... .20
10p, No. 224 ..... *.20

1904-18
½c, No. 303 ..... .10
1c, No. 304 ..... .10
2c, No. 306 ..... .05
5c, No. 307 ..... .08
10c, No. 308 ..... *.10
10c, No. 318 ..... .05
20c, No. 319 ..... .08
10c, No. 329 ..... .05
20c, No. 330 ..... .15
½c, No. 331 ..... .03
1c, No. 332 ..... .03
2c, No. 333 ..... .03
10c, No. 335 ..... .20
20c, No. 336 ..... .35
½c on 20c, (351) .38
3c on 10c, (356) .75

ANTIOQUIA.

1873-85
20c, No. 15 .....*1.25
50c, No. 16 ..... *.38
*1p, No. 17 ..... .50
2p, No. 18 .....*1.00
5c, No. 33 ..... 1.00
2½c, No. 37 ..... *.45
5c, No. 38a 1.00
20c, No. 44 ..... .38
*1c, No. 45 ..... .30
10c, No. 47 ..... *.45
1c, No. 48 ..... *.50
*1c, No. 49 ..... .50
5c, No. 51 ..... .38
20c, No. 54 ..... .25

1886-99
*1c, No. 55 ..... .10
*2½c, No. 56 ..... .10
5c, No. 57 ..... *.30
10c, No. 58 ..... *.30
*20c, No. 59 ..... .30
*1p, No. 62 ..... .50
*2p, No. 63 ..... 1.00
*2½c, No. 65 ..... .10
5c, No. 66 ..... .25
*5c, No. 67 ..... .63
10c, No. 62 ..... .20
*5c, No. 71 ..... .30
*1c, No. 73 ..... .03
*2½c, No. 74 ..... .05
5c, No. 75 ..... *.06
10c, No. 76 ..... .10
20c No. 78 ..... *.30
*50c, No. 79 ..... .50
50c, No. 80 ..... *.50
*2½c, No. 84 ..... .15
*5c, No. 85 ..... .20
*10c, No. 96 ..... .05
*3c, No. 99 ..... .05
*10c, No. 101 .... .13

1903-4
*5c, No. 146 ..... .05
10c, No. 147 ..... .05
50c, No. 151 ..... .05
*10p, No. 157 .... .75

Medellin.
*20c, No. 401 .... .04
*40c, No. 402 .... .06
*20c, No. 407 .... .05
*50c, No. 408 .... .06
*10c on20c,No.785 .20
*20c on50c,No.787 .38
*5c on 50c, No.788 .13
*5c on 50c,No.789 .08

BOLIVAR.

1863-78
*1p, No. 3 ..... .50
*5c, No. 4 ..... .50
10c, No. 5 ..... .65
10c, No. 10 ..... *.25

1879
*5c, No. 11 ..... .06
*5c, No. 11a ..... .10
*10c, No. 12 ..... .05
*20c, No. 13 ..... .08
*20c, No. 13a 2.50
*40c, No. 14 ..... .13
*5c, No. 15 ..... .08
*5c, No. 15a ..... .50
*10c, No. 16 ..... .30
*20c, No. 17 ..... .13
*40c, No. 18 ..... .25

1880
*5c, No. 19 ..... .05
*5c, No. 19a ..... .10
*10c, No. 20 ..... .09
*20c, No. 21 ..... .06
*20c, No. 21a 2.50
*40c, No. 22 ..... .13
*80c, No. 23 ..... .63
*1p, No. 24 ..... .75
*5c, No. 25 ..... .08
*20c, No. 27 ..... .18
*40c, No. 28 ..... .25

1882
*5c, No. 29 ..... .08
*10c, No. 30 ..... .05
*20c, No. 31 ..... .08
*40c, No. 32 ..... .08
*80c, No. 33 ..... .25

1882-98
10c on 50c,No.18 *2.00
*5c on 50c, No.35 .08
*5c on 10c, No.72 .10
*10c on 4c, No.73 .20
*1c, No. 115 ..... .25
*2c, No. 116 ..... .13
*5s, No. 134 ..... .15
1c on 2c, No. 135 .08
5c on 10c, No. 136 .08

1901
*1c, No. 145 ..... .02
*2c, No. 146 ..... .02
*5c, No. 147 ..... .02
*10c, No. 148 .... .02
*20c, No. 149 .... .03
*50c, No. 150 .... .05
*1s, No. 151 ..... .10
*5s, No. 152 ..... .50

1904-7
*1c, No. 156 ..... .03
*2c, No. 157 ..... .03
*5c, No. 158 ..... .05
*10c, No. 159 .... .08
*20c, No. 160 .... .10
*50c, No. 161 .... 2.50
*3c on20c,(164b) 1.50
3c, No. 168 ..... .05

1908 Triangle.
1c, No. 174 ..... *.03
2c, No. 175 ..... *.07
5c, No. 176 ..... *.15
10c, No. 177 ..... *.10
*50c, No. 166 .... .05

1902-3
*5c, No. 179 ..... .10
10c, No. 180 ..... *.10
*5c, No. 210 ..... .15
*50c, No. 211 .... .04
*50c, No. 211a.... .05
*50c, No. 213 .... .15
*50c, No. 214 .... .15
*50c, No. 214a.... .15
*50c, No. 215 .... .05
1p, No. 216 ..... *.05
1p, No. 217 ..... *.05
1p, No. 218 ..... *.10
5p, No. 220 ..... *.20
5p, No. 221 ..... *.20
*5p, No. 222 ..... .20
*10p, No. 223 .... .20
10p, No. 224 ..... *.20

1904-18
½c, No. 303 ..... .10
1c, No. 304 ..... .10
2c, No. 306 ..... .05
5c, No. 307 ..... .08
10c, No. 308 ..... *.10
10c, No. 318 ..... .05
20c, No. 319 ..... .08
10c, No. 329 ..... .05
20c, No. 330 ..... .15
½c, No. 331 ..... .03
1c, No. 332 ..... .03
2c, No. 333 ..... .03
10c, No. 335 ..... .20
20c, No. 336 ..... .35
½c on 20c, (351) .38
3c on 10c, (356) .75

ANTIOQUIA.

1873-85
20c, No. 15 .....*1.25
50c, No. 16 ..... *.38
*1p, No. 17 ..... .50
2p, No. 18 .....*1.00
5c, No. 33 ..... 1.00
2½c, No. 37 ..... *.45
5c, No. 38a 1.00
20c, No. 44 ..... .38
*1c, No. 45 ..... .30
10c, No. 47 ..... *.45
1c, No. 48 ..... *.50
*1c, No. 49 ..... .50
5c, No. 51 ..... .38
20c, No. 54 ..... .25

1886-99
*1c, No. 55 ..... .10
*2½c, No. 56 ..... .10
5c, No. 57 ..... *.30
10c, No. 58 ..... *.30
*20c, No. 59 ..... .30
*1p, No. 62 ..... .50
*2p, No. 63 ..... 1.00
*2½c, No. 65 ..... .10
5c, No. 66 ..... .25
*5c, No. 67 ..... .63
10c, No. 62 ..... .20
*5c, No. 71 ..... .30
*1c, No. 73 ..... .03
*2½c, No. 74 ..... .05
5c, No. 75 ..... *.06
10c, No. 76 ..... .10
20c No. 78 ..... *.30
*50c, No. 79 ..... .50
50c, No. 80 ..... *.50
*2½c, No. 84 ..... .15
*5c, No. 85 ..... .20
*10c, No. 96 ..... .05
*3c, No. 99 ..... .05
*10c, No. 101 .... .13

1903-4
*5c, No. 146 ..... .05
10c, No. 147 ..... .05
50c, No. 151 ..... .05
*10p, No. 157 .... .75

Medellin.
*20c, No. 401 .... .04
*40c, No. 402 .... .06
*20c, No. 407 .... .05
*50c, No. 408 .... .06
*10c on20c,No.785 .20
*20c on50c,No.787 .38
*5c on 50c, No.788 .13
*5c on 50c,No.789 .08

BOLIVAR.

1863-78
*1p, No. 3 ..... .50
*5c, No. 4 ..... .50
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10c, No. 319 ..... .03
50c, No. 321 ..... .06
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*5c, No. 323 ..... .03
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We are very much gratified with the showing made in January subscriptions. A splendid spirit of co-operation upon the part of many dealers has been shown, and we take pleasure in publicly recognizing the aid extended. Three firms, the Fennell Stamp Co., Allen Sears, Inc., and the Leader Stamp Co., are deserving of special mention because of their respective records of 53, 45 and 37 new subscriptions. The showing made by C. T. Egner and the Stamp Shoppe of 15 and 13 represents the best work that they have yet done in this direction. The Fennell total since Oct. 1 is 170, while Allen Sears, Inc., has 100 and is closely followed by L. B. Dover with 83 and the Leader Stamp Co., with 77. The standing of the leaders for January is as follows:—

FENNELL STAMP CO.,	53
ALLEN SEARS, INC.,	45
LEADER STAMP CO.,	37
L. B. DOVER,	26
C. E. HUSSMAN CO.,	19
C. T. EGNER,	15
STAMP SHOPPE,	13
PAUL F. CORNISH,	11
O. W. CROWDER & CO.,	9

The totals from October 1 to date are as follows:—

Fennell Stamp Co.,	170
Allen Sears, Inc.,	100
L. B. Dover,	83
Leader Stamp Co.,	77
C. E. Hussman Co.,	47
Paul F. Cornish,	38
C. T. Egner,	28
O. W. Crowder & Co.,	22
E. P. Seebohm,	21
Stamp Shoppe,	20
Eugene Klein,	18
Joseph Gallant,	14
Liberty Stamp Co.,	13
Tacoma Phil. Soc.,	9
J. E. Guest,	8
Washington Dodge,	8
E. G. Emerson,	7
N. Joseph,	6
Burt McCann Co.,	6
Buckey Stamp Co.,	6
Fred Seyffarth,	5
Vahan Mozian,	5
Zenith Stamp Co.,	5
Harry Ioor,	4
Foye Stamp Co.,	4
C. L. Mundy,	4

Three each:—A. Atlas Leve, W. W. Betts, H. S. Powell Co., Royal Stamp Co., W. J. Zink, Herman Gast, E. T. Putnam, J. E. Crouch, Rueger Stamp Co., C. E. Nickles, Wm. Leppert, U. T. K. Stamp Co.

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We have a large number of singles to enter, but shall wait for the arrival of a companion before inscribing the record on our roll of honor. If you want some subscription forms communicate with this office. There is a warm spot in the heart of the editor for those dealers and subscribers whose names are found upon the above list.

THE MANAGING EDITOR.

"J. A. BARKER" IN CINCINNATI.

A man purporting to be J. A. Barker has recently succeeded in victimizing several dealers in Cincinnati by paying for stamps with worthless checks. He is described as a man about forty years of age, five feet ten inches high, and weighing about 175 pounds. He has a round face, florid complexion and long curly brown hair. A. S. Matter reports this to us and states that the man recommended himself as well acquainted with Detroit collectors of national reputation. He was very much interested in U. S. minor varieties, shades and cancellations. This warning is sounded for the benefit of the trade.

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Edward Stern of the Economist Stamp Company, 87 Nassau Street, is probably the first man to detect the difference between the two-cent forgeries and the genuine issue. Mr. Stern said a man interested in stamps came to his office with a few sheets of ten United States two-cent stamps, all properly gummed but a shade lighter in color than the customary deep red. Closer inspection disclosed the fact that the "U" in the word "United" on the stamp at the upper left-hand corner of the sheet of ten was imperfect at the curve. There were several other minor defects. The perforation number is twelve instead of eleven.

Mr. Stern offered to buy the stamps at their face value and when told that others might be had, asked for more.

"As a result, I got several sheets of ten, numbering several hundred stamps," said Mr. Stern. "The defective 'U' was clearly apparent on every sheet, showing conclusively that the stamps were printed in sheets of ten. The man who sold them to me did not know that the stamps were counterfeits, saying that the person from whom he obtained them had purchased them from a lot of unused stock from a big mail order house.

"I got the big batch of forgeries on Wednesday and immediately sent a sheet with an explanation to the United States Bureau of Printing and Engraving at Washington. I have not noticed any counterfeits on letters, nor have I heard that any collectors or dealers have found any copies, which they would doubtless detect from the lighter shade."

The counterfeits in Mr. Stern's office are very cleverly done, being executed in the surface printing style adopted by the Government several years ago. They look somewhat like lithographed stamps. Mr. Stern believes the stamps have been counterfeited in sheets of ten because they would be easier to sell in small quantities in that form to merchants, as remnants purchased from large concerns. Moreover, counterfeiting is easier in small units.

This is the first time, explained Mr. Stern, that a counterfeit United States stamp has appeared since 1894, when similar forgeries were discovered in Kansas City. Postoffice inspectors traced them to Chicago. Mr. Stern has one of the 1894 counterfeits.

Inquiry at the Postoffice here disclosed the fact that none of the officials knew of the new counterfeit.—N. Y. *Times.*

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POSTAGE STAMPS OF THE BAHAMAS.

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CHAPTER I.

British Packet Agency, Nassau.

In the middle of the nineteenth century postal arrangements in the Bahamas, and throughout the British West Indies, were under control of H. M. Postmaster General, represented by a Packet Agent at Nassau, through whose hands passed all sea-borne correspondence to and from the islands. For franking letters entrusted to him for transmission H. B. M. Packet Agent at Nassau was supplied with a small stock of contemporary postage stamps of Great Britain. According to Messrs. Nissen and Bernstein's standard works on British Stamps Used Abroad the following varieties are known to have been used in the Bahamas:

1d rose-red (1857), wmk. large crown, perf. 14.
2d blue (1858), large crown wmk. plates 7 and 8.
4d red (1857), no letters.
6d lilac (1856), no letters.
1s green (1856), no letters.

These were cancelled with a duplex postmark, one section of which contained the serial number "A5" within an ellipse of horizontal bars, this providing the only clue to the office of origin. There was no local post in operation at this period, all letters, etc., being handed in at or collected from the British postal agency.

CHAPTER II.

The Inter-Insular Stamp.

As a first step towards taking over control of their own post office, the Colonial administration of the Bahamas decided to inaugurate in 1859, a local postal service, connecting the several islands of the group to operate independently from the British Packet service, the rate of postage to be levied upon inter-insular letters being fixed at 1d per half ounce. An order was accordingly placed with Messrs. Perkins, Bacon & Co., stamp printers to H. M. Government, through the Colonial representative in London, for the supply of a distinctive postage stamp for use in this service. The first consignment was actually despatched from London to the Islands on May 3rd, 1859, and placed on sale at Nassau on June 10th of that year.

The design, incorporating the beautiful "Chalon" head of Queen Victoria, was prepared by Edward Henry Corbould, R. I., and the matrix die is believed to have been engraved by Charles Henry Jeens. On either side of the portrait appeared in oval tablets, attributes of the Bahamas, viz., a pineapple and a helmet shell, extensively exported at that period for conversion into cameos. These insignia have been retained upon the majority of the Colony's postal issues. The specific purpose for which the stamp was originally introduced is denoted by the inscription, "Inter-Insular Postage" upon a scroll above the medallion containing the Queen's head. Proof impressions exist in black.

The plate contained sixty reproductions of the stamp, ranged in six rows of ten, and the first printing was made in lake coloured ink upon thick paper without watermark. In the second printing upon thin paper, the colour is more nearly a deep rose red. Both of these printings were supplied without the convenience of perforation. On May 1st, 1860, the Colonial authorities assumed complete control of the Bahamas Post Office, and the 1d stamp, hitherto restricted to inter-inland letters, became available for overseas postage also, in substitution for the British stamps, which were no longer permitted to be used.

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of 1d stamps delivered to the post office of the Bahamas in October of that year, was perforated upon it. Subsequently this machine became defective through constant use, and the holes in the bed plate clogged with paper, with the result that in the next supply of Inter-Insular stamps issued in June, 1861, the perforations were very rough instead of being clean cut as when first applied. Specimens may be found with an intermediate state of perforation, neither very clean cut nor very rough. This stamp is also known (in unused condition only) perforated 11 to 12. Since this is a De La Rue gauge it seems probable that some imperforate sheets of stamps may have been handed over to the latter firm in 1862, when the plates were delivered to the Crown Agents for the Colonies on the expiry of the Perkins-Bacon contract.

June 19th, 1859. 1d lake, imperf, no wmk., thick paper.
(?) *1859.* 1d deep rose-red, no wmk., imperf., thin paper.
Oct., 1860. 1d lake, perf. 14, 16 clean cut.
June, 1861. 1d lake, perf. 14, 16 rough.
(?) 1d lake, perf. 11½, 12.

New Values.—Two supplementary values for franking overseas correspondence were issued by the Bahamas post office in December, 1861. The design, though similar to that of the first 1d stamp, omits the inscription "Inter-Insular Postage", and also the local insignia. It is evidently modelled on that of the contemporary issues of Natal, Grenada, etc., and the Queen's head is from a new die, probably engraved by William Humphrys. Both stamps had the rough perforation gauging 14, 16 that is found on the printing of the 1d value issued in the previous year. A variety of the 4d exists imperf. between. Proof impressions were taken in black.
Dec., 1861. 4d dull rose, no wmk., perf. 14, 16.
(a) Imperf. between.
6d grey-lilac, no wmk., perf. 14, 16.

CHAPTER III.

De La Rue Printings.

The steel plates used for printing the three Bahamas postage stamps were handed over to the Crown Agents by Messrs. Perkins, Bacon & Co., on January 28th, 1862. During the same year new printings of all values were made from them by Messrs. De La Rue & Co., the new contractors, upon thick unwatermarked paper. The first supplies were perforated upon a single line machine, gauging 11½ to 12, but later printings, towards the end of the same year, were perforated 13 upon a different machine. Two shades of the 1d value are found in both of these printings, viz., carmine-lake, and brown-lake.

1862. 1d carmine-lake, thick paper, no wmk., perf. 11½, 12.
(a) brown-lake.
1d carmine-lake, thick paper, no wmk., perf. 13.
(a) brown-lake.
1862. 4d dull rose, thick paper, no wmk., perf. 11½ and 12.
1862. 4d dull rose, thick paper, no wmk., perf. 13.
1862. 6d lilac, thick paper, no wmk., perf. 11½ and 12.
1862. 6d lilac, thick paper, no wmk., perf. 13.

Surface Printed Shilling.—The rate of postage upon letters to England having been raised to one shilling per half ounce, a surface printed stamp of that value, green in colour, was provided by De La Rue & Co., in the year 1863. The design, engraved *en epargne* by M. Ferdinand Joubert, shews a conventional diademed head of Queen Victoria to the left in an oval frame, with the Pineapple and Conch shell emblems on either side at the foot, the name BAHAMAS upon a curved tablet in uncoloured capitals at the top, and the value in words, in one straight line across the foot, the spandrels being filled with foliate ornamentations.

This stamp was printed upon the new stamp paper watermarked with the device of a Crown surmounting the letters C C (Crown Colonies) once to each stamp, which had been brought into use in that year. The perforation gauging 14 was applied by means of comb machines at Somerset House.

A scarce variety of this stamp exists perforated 12½ on the single line machine used by Messrs. De La Rue & Co., for the line engraved stamps. Only a few sheets appear to have been treated thus, presumably in error, somewhere about the years 1875-76.

1863. 1s green, wmk. Crown C C, perf. 14.
1875? 1s green, wmk. Crown C C, perf. 12½.

CHAPTER IV.

Wmk. Crown C C.

During the course of the following year 1864, further printings of the line-engraved Bahamas stamps were made also upon the new Crown C C watermarked paper, and perforated 12½ by the contractors themselves. Shades are found in all three values, and the 6d violet may be found imperforate.

A new single line perforating machine with a gauge of 14 was substituted for that perforating 12 in 1875, and was used concurrently with the Somerset House comb machines of the same gauge. Supplies of the 1d and 4d stamps only, with perforation 14, were despatched to the Bahamas in that year; but it remains for some ardent specialist to discover which, if either, exists with the comb as well as the single line perforation.

A rare aniline shade of the 1d carmine lake was included amongst the stamps perforated 14.

1864. 1d brown lake, wmk. C C, perf. 12½.
1d carmine-lake, wmk. C C, perf. 12½.
1d rose-red, wmk. C C, perf. 12½.
1d scarlet, wmk. C C, perf. 12½.
4d rose, wmk. C C, perf. 12½.
4d rose-lake, wmk. C C, perf. 12½.
6d pale violet, wmk. C C, perf. 12½.
6d violet, wmk. CC, perf. 12½.
(a) Imperf.
1875. 1d scarlet, wmk. C C, perf. 14.
1d aniline carmine lake, wmk. C C, perf. 14.
4d bright rose, wmk. C C, perf. 14.
4d dull rose, wmk. C C, perf. 14.
4d rose lake, wmk. C C, perf. 14.

CHAPTER V.

Wmk. Crown C A.

In March, 1882, the same two stamps made their appearance with the last type of watermark, viz., Crown C A (Crown Agents), instead of C C and perforated 11½, 12 on the machine first used for these stamps twenty years previously. Later printings of these stamps, together with the surface printed 1s were perforated 14 upon a comb machine belonging to the printers.

March, 1882. 1d scarlet, wmk. C A, perf. 12.
1d scarlet, wmk. C A, perf. 14.
4d rose, wmk. C A, perf. 12.
4d rose, wmk. C A, perf. 14.
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May, 1883. FOURPENCE on 6d pale violet, wmk. C C, perf. 12½.
(a) Surcharge inverted.

CHAPTER VII.

Series 1884-98.

Surface printed stamps in a modified version of the design of the 1d were substituted for the beautiful line-engraved 1d and 4d values in August, 1884, when high value stamps of 5sh and £1 were also provided in the same type for use in the Colony. To this stereotyped series was added in May, 1888, a 2½d denomination, printed in blue to meet the new Postal Union rate for ½oz. letters. A 6d mauve in October, 1890, and finally a new printing of the 1s from the original plate, in blue-green in October, 1898. All were printed by De La Rue & Co. on Crown C A watermarked paper and perforated 14 on comb machines.

August, 1884. 1d pale rose, wmk. C A, perf. 14.
(a) carmine rose.

May, 1888. 2½d blue, wmk. C A, perf. 14.
(a) dull blue.
(b) ultramarine.

August, 1884. 4d deep yellow, wmk. C A, perf. 14.

October, 1890. 6d mauve, wmk. C A, perf. 14.

October, 1898. 1s blue-green, wmk. C A, perf. 14.

August, 1884. 5s sage green, wmk. C A, perf. 14.

August, 1884. £1 Venetian red, wmk. C A, perf. 14.

CHAPTER VIII.

The "Queen's Staircase" Issue.

At the commencement of the new century there was introduced for the 1d postage stamp of the Bahamas, what is today one of the most familiar stamp designs of the British Empire. The subject of this vignette is thus described by a local correspondent.

"The central picture represents a very beautiful and somewhat mysterious curiosity in the vicinity of Nassau, the capital of New Providence, the chief of the Bahama Islands. It is a great passage way cut through the solid coral rock. The cut is about one eighth of a mile long, 40 feet wide, and about 70 ft. in depth; at the end is what is called the Queen's Staircase (cut in the rock), which leads to Fort Fincastle, built about 150 years ago (1750) on high land just above the stairway. The exact object of this cutting is not known, but it is presumed it was to allow soldiers to and from the harbour and fort without observation." The design is said to have been copied from a local picture-postcard.

This stamp, destined for use in connection with the Imperial Penny Postage agreement, was first brought into use at Nassau on September 23rd, 1901, the initial printing upon Crown C C watermarked paper comprising 246,900 copies. It was recess printed by Messrs. De La Rue & Co., in sheets of 60 (five rows of 12) with the Plate Number "1" in the lower left hand corner of the sheet, once in black for the vignette plate, and once in red for the border plate.

The same design was used for three new postal duties introduced on January 27th, 1903, viz., 5d, 2s and 3s, of which 29,820 of the 5d, 11,460 of the 2s and 12,120 of the 3s were printed on Crown C C paper.

1901. Sept. 23rd. 1d carmine and black, wmk. Crown C C, perf. 14.

1903. Jan. 27th. 5d orange and black, wmk. Crown C C, perf. 14.

1903. Jan. 27th, 2s blue and black, wmk. Crown C C, perf. 14.

1903. Jan. 27th. 3s green and black, wmk. Crown C C, perf. 14.

Vignette Plates.—According to an article by Mr. E. W. Mann, published in the *London Philatelist* for December, 1919, four separate plates have been used for printing the central vignettes on these stamps, and two for the frame design of the 1d value only. He states: "All four Vignette plates have been used in turn for the 1d value, and I have been able to obtain full sheets of this value showing Vignette Plates 2, 3 and 4. I have, however, not been able to secure a sheet showing Plate I of the Vignette, and therefore the identifications of stamps printed from this plate have been made largely by negative methods, and I am diffident as to making absolute statements with reference to this plate, pending positive proofs from the study of a complete sheet, which should not be hard to obtain.

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"The plate numbers of the Vignette plate appear on the sheet in the case of Plates 1 and 2, on the bottom left-hand corner margin. The plate numbers 3 and 4, however, appear on the left margin in the centre. Usually the margin is cut too short for them to be seen. Plate 3 shows a great number of scratches and seems to have been discarded after very little use. The stamps printed from Plate 4 can be distinguished from those printed from Plate 3 by the much paler appearance of the Vignette.

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"It is probable that future printings of the 5d, 2s and 3s will be printed from Vignette Plate 4, unless a further plate comes into use."

The plates used for the stamps of this issue on Crown C C paper were as follows:—

1d Crown C C, thick paper, Frame Pl. 1, Vignette Pl. 1.
1d Crown C C, thin paper, Frame Pl. 1, Vignette Pl. 2.
5d C C, red-orange and black, Frame Pl. 1, Vignette Pl. 1.
5d C C, bright orange and black, Frame Pl. 1, Vignette Pl. 1.
5d C C, orange and grey, thin p., Frame Pl. 1, Vignette Pl. 2.
2s C C, deep blue and black, Frame Pl. 1, Vignette Pl. 1.
2s C C, pale blue and grey-black, thinner paper, Frame Pl. 1, Vignette Pl. 2.
3s C C, green and deep black, Frame Pl. 1, Vignette Pl. 1.
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Madagascar, 5, 10, 25, 30, 50c* ..... .15
New Caledonia, 5, 10, 25, 30, 50c* ..... .15
Middle Congo, 5, 10, 25, 30, 50c* ..... .15
Ivory Coast, 5, 10, 25, 30, 50c* ..... .15
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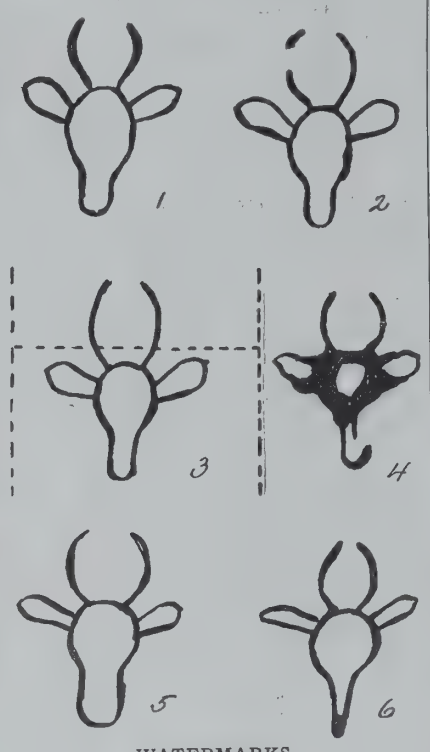
CHAPTER X.

Sizes of Watermark.

When I resided in South Africa, I heard much talk among collectors there of two sizes of watermark on the 1913 and subsequent issues. I have measured as to length and breadth several hundred specimens of the values up to 3d, and am not able to find a difference of more than ½mm. in either of these dimensions. The "small watermark," however, is really the effect produced when one looks at a slightly damaged watermark, in the case in which the wire pattern has become somewhat crushed together at the nose of the springbok, or the horns have been pushed closer together at the tips.



WATERMARKS.

No. 1—Normal.
No. 2—Broken.
No. 3—Multiple, showing perforations.
No. 4—Blotch 1½d, 1920.
No. 5—Large.
No. 6—Small.

CHAPTER XI.

Revenue use of Stamps.

The ½d and 1d of the 1913 issue are revenue stamps as well as postage stamps. Their use as revenues may be recognized, as a rule, by the presence of a written cancellation or one with an oval or rectangular outline. The 1½d, 2d and 3d are known, also used thus, although inscribed for postage only. But see the next section on the matter of cancellations.

I have the ½d, 1d, 2d, and 4d, surcharged in black "Customs Duty." These are used in the payment of customs on importations by parcel post, and thus are strictly revenue stamps. They bear postal cancellations, as do our U. S. revenues of the Tenth Issue, and for the same reason; the tax in question is collected at the post-office.

CHAPTER XII.

Cancellations.

As a general thing, the rule mentioned above as to only round cancellations being postal, holds for Union of South Africa stamps. There are certain exceptions to be noted.

A number of the postoffices in the Cape Province have registration postmarks which are oval. These are usually used with black ink, while the private cancelling handstamps used on revenue stamps are usually used with a commercial violet, blue or red stamp-pad. Moreover, the private cancellations have almost always a thick, double, or fancy border, whereas the registration cancellations have a thin single-line border. Mr. W. R. Long, of Durban, has shown me parcel-post cancellations from Pretoria, and from Cradock, Cape Province, which are of the same form and color as revenue cancellations; but these are rare. I have in my collection the ½d cancelled postally in Natal in 1920, by several strokes with a blue pencil.

There is also a small triangular cancellation used in Durban, at various times, but bearing no name of place. This is used on circulars. There are many types of postmark in use, some dating back to pre-Union times, some bearing the inscription "South Africa" on them, and some advertising government securities. The machine-cancellation is used only in a few larger cities, and was, in 1919, the advertising cancellation just mentioned.

CHAPTER XIII.

Postage Due Stamps.

Up to the latter part of 1915 the Transvaal postage due stamps were used throughout the Union, as there had been no postage dues issued by the other colonies. At the very end of that year and partly early in 1916, a set of postage due stamps was issued, on the same watermarked paper, with the same perforation as the 1913 regular issue, and of the same size. These

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There are no varieties of paper, die, etc., known to me in these stamps. However, I have the 3d in deep blue, and the 2d in a series of three colors, to dull purple, all from 1918.

CHAPTER XIV.
Official Seals.

No permanent issue of official seals was ever made by the Union of South Africa, but type-set official seals have been printed on at least two occasions. The form and wording is alike, the paper an ordinary unwatermarked book-paper, and only 8,000 are known to have been printed in all.

The design is a type-set oblong 54x21 to 23 mm., divided in half crosswise, and bearing in the left-hand end the inscriptions "Found open and officially closed in the Post Office by . . . . . ", interlined with the same in Dutch. Above the right half are the words "Date Stamp". Above the right upper corner the index-figures, "P. 438". The border is made of leads extending crossed beyond the corners of the rectangle and beyond the rectangle at the middle, about 2 mm. Beneath the rectangle is printed the memoranda of printer, order number and amount.

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January, 1919. 3,000 printed by same concern. Coarse perf. 15. Dimension over all, 66x38 mm. My copy perf. all around. My specimens are both used in Natal offices.

Presumably the large seals used for the Censors' Office during the Great War should be here included, but they are hardly within philatelic scope.

CHAPTER XV.
Southwest Protectorate Stamps.

No special stamps of any sort were issued when the South African Army captured the German colony of German Southwest Africa in 1915. As the South Africans took possession, they simply installed the South African postal system, stamps and all. As a result we have only the regular 1913 and later issues with special cancellations.

Previous to the Treaty of Versailles, this region was under military rule; since then, as the "Southwest Protectorate", it has been administered as part of the Union.

I have the Union 1s of 1913, with the postmark "Windhuk", Oct. 16, 1917. Except for securing earlier dates of postmark, there is nothing philatelic in connection with this district.

CHAPTER XVI.
Official Mail.

No official stamps have been issued, since all official mail, both provincial and national, goes in penalty-envelopes after the same manner as in the U. S. The envelopes bear the inscription "On His Majesty's Service—In Zijn Majesteits Dienst", or just "O. H. M. S."

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CHAPTER V.
The Third Issue.

This issue differs from the preceding one only as regards the watermark which now has the frame lines removed from around the interlaced L's. This paper was hand-made, as before, and also varies in texture, ranging from quite thin to fairly thick. All three values are also found on a distinctly ribbed paper and though these are quite collectible varieties the ribbing would appear to have been quite unintentional. Mr. de Bont says the stamps on ribbed paper formed a special printing made in 1854 which consisted of only 100,000 copies of the 10c, 60,000 of the 20c, and 45,000 of the 40c. We fear not much reliance can be placed on this statement for the ribbed paper varieties are by no means uncommon; it was certainly not a specially manufactured kind of paper but was probably caused by lack of care in finishing some of the sheets.

Mr. de Bont says there were nine distinct printings of these stamps while Mr. Bouvez is more modest and is satisfied with five. Again we have considerable discrepancies as to actual quantities printed, viz.:—

	Mr. Bouvez	Mr. de Bont
10 centimes	81,525,000	75,144,200
20 centimes	59,645,000	54,479,600
40 centimes	8,909,000	8,869,400

These stamps are generally presumed to have been issued in the early months of 1851 but if, as Mr. Bouvez states, the first supply was printed at the same time as the last lot on the frame watermarked paper in August, 1850, it is more than probable that they were in use before January 1st, 1851. This is a point that can eventually be definitely settled by means of dated copies.

The same plates were used as for the preceding issue so that the many interesting re-cut and re-touched varieties found in connection with these stamps should also, apparently, exist on the corresponding denominations of the earlier issue.

The only re-entry known is one found on the 10c by Mr. Leavy, this showing the numerals "10" and first two and last letters of POSTES doubled. The same writer, in describing the plate for this denomination, says "On nearly all of the impressions an inner frame line was drawn at both the left and right side, which in at least one instance extended beyond the bottom inner line at left. In many cases, too, the outer frame lines were re-cut in part or entirely. Sometimes these lines are extended too far and we thus have projecting lines at one or other of the four corners. But the most interesting re-cuts or re-touches are those affecting the foliate ornamentation. On some stamps these affect but a few of the leaves while on others the whole outline down one side appears to have been redrawn."

With regard to the 20c plate Mr. Leavy writes:—"The 20 centimes plate was poorly entered, a number of the impressions failing to take properly, quite a few were exquisitely retouched by Mr. Wiener himself, and a number, where the outlines had impressed clearly, were left without the fine lines of shading showing in the leaves or the tongues of flame. Again, as in the 10 centimes, a great number of the impressions had an inner frame line drawn at both the left and right sides, and several had the top or bottom inner line re-touched. Several impressions also had the outer frame lines re-drawn."

Here again, the most interesting varieties are those having the foliate ornamentation re-drawn. Some of them are very striking and the re-drawing entirely alters the appearance of the leaves.

On the 40c similar varieties are known but they are by no means common leading one to infer that this, the first of the three plates to be made, was the most carefully constructed.

The one point to be decided regarding the majority of these varieties is whether they were made before the plates were used at all or became necessary after a time owing to wear of the plates. Mr. Leavy apparently infers the latter was the case so far as many of them are concerned but our own modest investigations lead us to believe that all this re-cutting or retouching was done before the plates were put to press. For one thing stamps showing decided traces of wear are decidedly uncommon in our experience and when "wear" is present it invariably affects the cross-hatching at right of the face adversely and yet no re-touches have ever been reported in connection with any part of the portrait medallion. Then again, though of considerable philatelic interest none of these re-touches are of vital importance: they point rather to a nicety of finish desired in the plates before being hardened and put to press than to alterations or renovations made necessary on account of defective impressions in the later life of the plates.

Varieties in the size of these stamps are known and at one time caused considerable wonderment. It was frequently asserted that more than one die must have been used but it is now agreed that these varieties were merely caused by uneven shrinkage of the paper. In printing from line-engraved plates the paper is always dampened and it can easily be understood that the sheets were not always wetted to exactly the same degree, especially in the case of paper varying in thickness. Consequently some sheets would shrink a little more than others when drying and this, naturally, affected the measurements of the stamps.

The 10c and 20c stamps of this series do not vary much in shade but the 40c provides well marked tints.

REFERENCE LIST.

1850-1. Same types as last issue. Printed on hand-made paper wmk. "L L" interlaced, without frame. Imperf.
10c brown.
20c blue.
40c carmine.

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CHAPTER VI.
The Unwatermarked Stamps.

The next change was also one affecting the paper only, and not the designs of the stamps, the watermark being entirely dispensed with. A 1 centime value was added to the series by a decree dated March 23rd, 1861, to which we shall refer later, and in the previous month a circular was issued indicating a change in the size of the sheets of the values then current, viz.:—

"From March 1st next the postage stamps will be printed from plates containing three hundred stamps, instead of two hundred as at present.

In consequence, in all shipments that may be made after April 1st next, the prices of the sheets will be as follows:—
30 francs for each sheet of stamps of 10 centimes.
60 francs for each sheet of stamps of 20 centimes.
120 francs for each sheet of stamps of 40 centimes.

For the Director-General,
(Signed) TASSIANA
Acting Director."

Apparently on the basis that the change in the size of the sheets and the almost concurrent appearance of the new 1 centime stamps coincided with the issue of the new paper it seems to be generally inferred that the unwatermarked stamps were not issued until 1861. Mr. Westoby writes:—"No other change was made till the year 1861, when a machine-made paper, without any watermark, was substituted for that made by hand. At the same time also the size of the sheet was altered, and it was made to consist of 300 stamps in a single pane."

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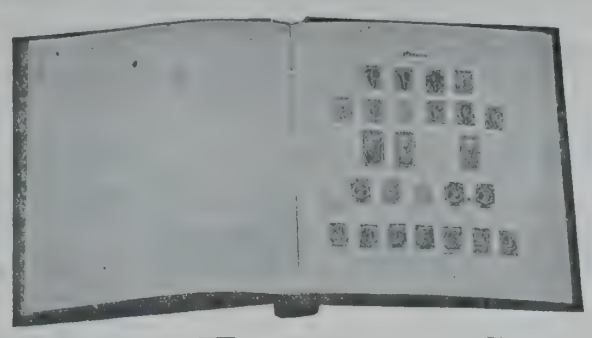

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Mr. Bouvez writes: "A rather rearkable peculiarity, and one which it well to note here, is that the change the size of the plates necessitated the ıployment of a new paper, which relted in the selection of a white wove .per without watermark."

Mr. J. B. Moens, both in his book ı the Belgian stamps and in his catogue, gives April 1st, 1861, as the ıte of the issue of the stamps without atermark, though there is nothing in ıy of the official decrees relating to the nd of paper used. Mr. M. P. Castle ade some pertinent observations on is point in the *London Philatelist* for ctober, 1900, which we cannot do betr than quote:—

"These stamps (i. e., those with "LL" atermark) in this case should be comoner than the succeeding ones without atermark, which were in turn superded in April, 1863, by the perforated ries, thus assigning nearly ten years f existence to the former and but two ars to the latter. I am inclined to beeve that this issue, with unframed atermark, was superseded four or five ars earlier—in 1856 or 1857. This ıpposition is partly borne out by a paer by M. Célestin Gronendaels, a Belian philatelist, who has examined large umbers of stamps on original covers, nd found that in all cases the stamps ated after August, 1858, bore no waterark. The issue of the no watermark eries is thus antedated nearly three ears, and I incline to believe is of still rlier origin."

All the stamps without watermark are ommoner than those with unframed LL" watermark, and according to the fficial statistics of the stamps sold year y year, quoted by Mr. Bouvez, there as only a slight increase in the quanties sold in 1861, 1862 and 1863, as ompared with previous years. It seems easonable, therefore, to presume that he 1861 date so long associated with ese unwatermarked stamps should be ntedated, as regards the 10, 20 and 40 centimes, by some years.

We suggest that the very large printing made in 1853—sufficient to supply all the postal needs of the kingdom for some years—consisted of stamps on unwatermarked as well as watermarked paper. If the figures quoted by Mr. Bouvez—350,000 sheets of the 10c, 250,000 sheets of the 20c and 40,000 sheets of the 40c—are only approximately correct, it would make the large total of 640,000 sheets of the hand-made watermarked paper. And as the process of making paper in this manner is necessarily slow and there was, presumably, but the one watermarked screen in use, it would have been hardly possible for such a large supply of this paper to have been made between the two months that elapsed between this printing and the previous one.

It would therefore seem, according to the foregoing remarks, that the date of issue of the 10, 20 and 40c values on this unwatermarked paper should be assigned to a period preceding August, 1858, and that these values were printed from the 200 plates as well as the new 300 ones made in 1861.

The new 1 centime stamp is exactly the same in design as the others and was made from the same original die. The secondary die had the numerals "1" inserted in the small circles in the upper angles and "UN CENTIME" was added below the portrait. This value was intended to frank newspapers and printed matter, the decree authorizing it being as follows:—

"LEOPOLD I, KING OF THE BELGIANS.

To all whom it may concern, greeting. We have decreed and do decree:—

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III.—They will be sold at all post-offices in the kingdom. Our Minister of Public Works is charged with the execution of the present decree.

Given at Laeken, March 23rd, 1861.

(Signed) LEOPOLD."

A ministerial decree dated May 14th, 1861, announced that this 1 centime stamp would be issued on June 1st, and at the same time instructions were published as to its proper use. Though intended for the express purpose of prepaying newspapers and printed matter many persons used this value for franking letters. Some of those who did so were actuated by no malicious intent, but others gave the 1 centime the preference with the avowed purpose of giving the postal employes more work to do. When thirty or forty postmarks had to be applied to a single letter the matter got beyond a joke and the department issued a notice explicitly restricting the employment of the 1 centime stamps to the purposes for which they were issued and threatening to tax letters as unpaid where these stamps were used. As a consequence of this restriction used pairs or strips of this value are exceedingly rare.

The plate for the 1 centime consisted of 300 stamps and it was never printed on watermarked paper. Mr. de Bont says no less a quantity than 33,000,000 were printed and according to official statistics nearly that number were used in the years 1861, 1862 and 1863.

(To be continued.)

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Shown—From Mr. Lorin T. Blodget of Princeton University, we have received a note that incidentally has a bearing on the question of repealing the laws prohibiting the illustrating of U. S. stamps by "private individuals." He writes: "Volume 7 of the Senate Documents of the 66th Congress in its second session 1919-20, has an account of the proceedings in the Senate on Lincoln's birthday, Feb. 12, 1920. They consisted of the reading of Lincoln's Gettysburg address, with appropriate speeches by members of the Senate. It is illustrated with a *fac-simile* of a copy of the address written out by Lincolm for Edward Everett at the same time, who made a speech at Gettysburg at the same time, and also, with a reproduction of a letter written to Miss Belle F. Keyes of Boston, by Lincoln's son on Dec. 16, 1885, to say that this copy of the address, apparently in Miss Keyes' possession at that time was the only copy in Lincoln's hand-writing that was known to exist. This last illustration includes a view of the envelope used for this letter, which bears a two-cent of 1883, (number 210) reproduced in its full glory and in approximately exact size, lightly canceled and postmarked Chicago, Dec. 16, 1885. The point I make is why should the government do as it chooses in a case of this kind and deny a similar right to the individual? In my opinion, persons who desire to illustrate books or articles, should be permitted to do so, under proper restrictions, of course, to protect the government against counterfeiting." Fair enough.

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Whack—Heaven help the poor prophet, as we no longer can. We skirt the treacherous rocks as a rule when stamps are in question; and as a philatelic augur, we do not bore you. Yet, it seems that though we twist and turn so much when making any prophecy even of the self-evident kind as to make the reader wonder what we are driving at, there was a time just before we could vote that we spoke right out, albeit it somewhat squeakily, in meeting. Mr. Eugene Klein writes: "One of my customers sends me the enclosed clipping and copy which I thought might make interesting reading to you at the present time. It might furnish you material for an editorial on dropped prices of new Europeans. Then again, it might not. I did not verify the article in question. If you want to quote it, I suggest that you look it up first." Here is the quotation which we do not bother to verify: "Abstract from the *Philatelic Journal of America,* Vol. XII, No. 1, July, 1894. Memoranda on Some U. S. Stamps, by Chas. E. Severn. 'A collector recently said that his collection of U. S. stamps was nearly complete with the exception of the higher value newspaper stamps, and he did not relish the idea of buying those because there was a constant possibility of their being placed on public sale for the benefit of stamp collectors.' These words were spoken unwittingly, evidently, for the danger to his purse that the philatelist would apprehend is in no wise real. As matters now stand, it is possible to procure the sixty dollar and other dollar values of the newspaper stamps at considerable reduction from face value; and even were the newspaper stamps placed on sale, it is unlikely that they would be retailed at an amount less than that indicated on the face; the sixty dollar value would be sold at $60.00; and the forty-eight at $48.00, etc. The only values that would be affected radically would be the lower ones." The quotation is headed by the critic, "A Poor Prophet and A Poor Profit. 27 years of Newspaper Stamps and now selling for less then face;" and he sends, too, a recent advertisement of Mr. Klein in the WEEKLY, wherein the high dollar values of the Newspaper set, 1879, are offered much below face value, unused. Still, the story of the descent of the newspaper stamps is not to be so easily dismissed.

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Slash—In 1886, the authorities were "confiscating the high values of used newspaper and periodical stamps in the hands of collectors and dealers with a view of ascertaining by whom the 'thefts' were committed. Those fortunate enough to possess these postal treasures are very reticent on the subject." It was Robert S. Hatcher who became a famous Washington correspondent later for the newspaper press who said this. Years later, we said: "When the newspaper sets were sold by the government in 1899 at five dollars a set, it was understood that one of the reasons why the authorities took so unusual a course was based on a desire to visit a form of reprisal on dealers, who held unwarrantedly, the government claimed, specimens of these stamps which were prohibited from public circulation." The authorities lost their suit and were forced to return the stamps that they had seized from a dealer in New York, and consequently, ordered the discontinuance of the use of the newspaper stamps. The remainders were sold for the benefit of stamp collectors who long had covetously regarded these stamps; but the fact that holders of the originals saw their specimens slashingly reduced in value did not cause the government any remorse. Quite the contrary, and

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Cruel—We read that the Christchurch (N. Z.) Philatelic Society has decided to discontinue its subscriptions to the different stamp journals that it has been taking on the score that the members do not read them, as a rule. If the poor stamp journal finds no hospice within the portals of the philatelic society, where may it turn for succor? It is true that the stamp periodical does not always sing in well-sustained, modulated voice, but that it is well-meaning in its endeavors is not to be gainsaid. Instead of graceless "Begones" cheers should greet the poor stamp paper. Especially, the young editor who should be boosted is booted and he who should be pegged high on the temple wall is egged off the stage. It overjoys the modest editor who pays for the privilege of working for philately out of his own pocket to hear after he has gone broke that there is nothing to stamp papers, anyway.

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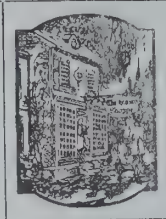

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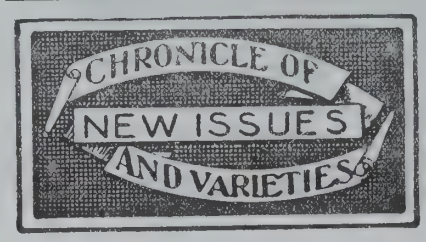

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

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UNITED STATES.—Mention was made in the Chronicle for last week of the fact that the Post Office Department had started to distribute a new variety, namely the 10c stamp in sidewise coils of five hundred subjects each. This stamp was issued quietly without anyone knowing anything about it until the department announced the fact on January 27th. One of our specialists had even visited the Bureau a few days before for plate number information and not an inkling was given of this new coil emission. We now learn that the plates which bear numbers 13625 and 13626 were only recently completed and that all of the stamps are from these two, which are, of course, of the rotary type of 170 subjects. The stamp has not been issued in the endwise coil nor have any plates been made for them.

In our issue of November 19, 1921, we published some information regarding the 1867-1873 grills as given to us by one who has possibly handled more of these stamps than any one else. At the time Mr. Elliott Perry and Dr. William Evans called attention to the fact that some of our statements were not borne out by their studies. As a result your editor collected quite a little material and finds from observation that there is still much to be learned about grills and that some points are not even clear to specialists. It is pretty well agreed, however, that only one roll was used to grill those embossed all over (I refer to the issued stamp and not the essay) and that this roller, which was of the female or biscuit type, was later cut to 13x16. This roller grilled 200 stamps at a time. When it was cut four stamps in the sheet received what might be called a "grill and a half", which measured about 18x15, and it is thought that this variety was originally listed from one of these. Male grills 18x15 exist, but those who have studied the subject deeply have been unable to place them, and it is a question if they are genuine or fakes. Another roller of the male or cross type exists with its projections measuring 12x14 and this was possibly cut to 11x13 and later to 9x13. Still a third roller was used, which produced what is known as the "Z" grill, and this measured 12x14. A fourth roller, or it may have been the first, for we do not know in what order they were made, was used to produce what we know as the essay "grilled all over", and this was later cut to produce the Continental grills. It is stamps from the last mentioned roll that are often found in collections as the real thing. This variety unused is rather plentiful.

Mr. W. A. Beach kindly sends for our inspection a sheet of twenty (5x4) of the black Official Seal, Scott's No. 1769 imperforate vertically.

Mr. Byron Elliott calls our attention to another interesting plate variety in the case of the 2c surface print. The right figure "2" has the top ball smaller, giving the figure the appearance of a different type.

Mr. J. B. Kaiser calls attention to a very odd envelope that he has located wherein two 2c and one 4c envelopes of the 1883 issue showing the Wells Fargo imprint were stuck together and used in combination to pay a 10c rate from Portland, Oregon, to Walla Walla, Washington. The combination is cancelled with the well known Wells Fargo cancellation bearing date of December 2, 1884.

Since our last Chronicle Messrs. R. C. Hoyt and R. H. Mason have called attention to two new provisional envelopes that they have just located.

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Die A on amber, Size 8, Wmk. 20, L. B.

We wish to thank Gen. C. A. Coolidge and Messrs. Charles Metz and J. V. Nielsen, Jr., for information of interest.

AZORES.—*Stamp Collecting* reports that information is at hand that the recently mentioned Parcel Post adhesives, overprinted, have been augmented by the 60c dark blue, 70c brown and 80c bright blue, similarly treated

The Economist Stamp Co. advise that the 90c purple parcel post stamp has been overprinted "Acores" in black. They also submit the following values of the 1915 set of postage due stamps surcharged in black "Acores": 12c green, 20c green, 24c green, 36c green, 50c green, 60c green, 72c green and 1e20c green.

BELGIUM. — Mr. Henry Hooreman sends us copies of the new 10c postage due stamp issued the 17th of January. It is the type of the 1919-20 issue, but the color is green.

CANADA.—F. L. Belanger informs us that in all probability there will be a new 4c stamp. The present drop letter rate in Canada is 2c, first class postage 3c, to Great Britain 4c and foreign countries 10c. We quote from his letter as follows:—"This will mean that we shall have a new 4c stamp in all probability. To date I have the 1c stamped envelope in white paper printed in orange yellow, the 2c stamped envelope in green, and have seen the 3c in a light brown or buff, but am inclined to class this as a shade variety. I have also received the 1c postal in orange yellow. Is it generally known that the 3c stamped envelope comes in more than one die? I have two, one with the outer scallops much deeper than the other, and should be interested to know if other dies exist. A short time ago I saw a 3c maple leaf surcharged the same as the 3c letter cards and would like to hear from anyone whether or not this was actually used."

CAPE VERDE. — *Stamp Collecting* informs us that the set of Postage Dues issued in September last year has been augmented by three values, viz.:—½c pale green, 1c slate violet and 2c red brown.

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DAHOMEY.—The Economist Stamp send for chronicle the following colors in the 1913 type: 5c brown v and purple, 10c light green and green, 25c violet brown and yel 30c orange and dark red, 50c bright and dark blue.

DUTCH INDIES.—The Economist St Co. advise that the 50c green of 1912-14 issue has been overprinted CENT" in red.

FRENCH GUINEA. — The Econo Stamp Co. send us a copy of the 5f the current type, but with a dark border and grey centre.

FRENCH INDIA.—The Economist St Co. inform us of the change in the c of the current 5fr stamp. It no being printed in red and brown.

FRENCH OCEANICA.—The Econo Stamp Co. advise that the follo changes in colors have taken place this colony: 5c blue and grey, 10c g and light green, 25c purple and red red and orange and 50c bright blue dark blue. All are in the current

GERMANY.—Mr. R. Roberts advis the following new issues: Large merals, 40pf orange, 60pf purple (b smith), 100pf green, Post Horn 2mk purple and rose and 3mk or and yellow.

The Economist Stamp Co. have s us the 4mk stamp of the post horn in dark green and yellow green on paper.

ICELAND. — The Economist Stamp advise of the appearance of the green, 25a red and 40a blue in the type.

LITHUANIA. — The Economist St Co. send us a set of stamps that the likeness of a winged figure with raised arms, on top of which is an plane. The word "Lietuva" is a base and the value at the left. A top is the date "1921" and on the "Istegimas" and on the other side Pasto". The colors are as follows: terra and grey blue, 40sk blue and 60sk dark blue and olive, 80sk bistr dark green, 1 auk green and blue, 2 grey and terra and 5 auks grey lila grey green.

MADAGASCAR.—The Economist St Co. report the appearance of 5c blac red, 10c green and olive, 25c purpl grey, 30c red and brown and 50c and grey in the current type.

MALTA.—Mr. C. E. Calderari in us that he has just received word a correspondent that a new set of s has been ordered to commemorat "Grant of the Maltese Constitu Mr. Calderari adds that he has no c regarding the set except that it appear at an early date.

MARTINIQUE. — The Economist St Co. submit for chronicle the follo new colors: 5c yellow and brow

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green, 25c yellow and brown, 30c red and brown and 50c blue and brown. All are in the 1908-17 type.

MAURITANIA. — The Economist Stamp Co. send the following new colors in the 1913 type: 5c violet brown and red, 10c light green and dark green, 25c green and red, 30c red and orange and 50c dark blue and bright blue.

MEMEL. — The Economist Stamp Co. have submitted for chronicle the 2mk surcharged on the 1fr French stamp, with the added overprint in blue "5,00" in large figures about half the width of the stamp.

MOZAMBIQUE.—The Economist Stamp Co. send for chronicle the following stamps type of Scott's A6: 3c orange, 4c rose, 4½c grey and 30c dark green.

NEW CALEDONIA. — The Economist Stamp Co. send us the following new colors in the 1905-6 type: 5c blue, 10c green, 25c red on straw, 30c red and 50c blue.

NEWFOUNDLAND.—Mr. Frank F. Wills advises us that he has heard that there is a new issue ordered for use in this country from the American Bank Note Co. of New York. Mr. Wills also advises that the 4c Caribou stamp has become obsolete.

A. C. Roessler informs us that the Halifax air-mail provisional has been found with inverted surcharge.

NYASALAND. — The Economist Stamp Co. submit to us copies of the 1d and 2d George type stamps printed on the script watermarked paper.

REUNION.—The Economist Stamp Co. call our attention to a change of colors for this colony the following new shades appearing: 5c orange and purple, 10c green, 25c brown and blue, 30c red, 50c blue and grey. They also send copies of 20c which has been overprinted "40" and the 75c surcharged "60", both being in black and two short bars obliterating the former value.

SENEGAL.—The Economist Stamp Co. send us the following new colors of the current type: 5c black and red, 10c light green and dark green, 25c red and black, 30c orange and red, 45c red and blue, 50c bright blue and dark blue and 2frs blue and brown.

ST. HELENA.—Mr. R. Roberts reports the appearance of a 1d green, 1½d red and 3d blue all on script watermarked paper. These are the first 1d green and 1½d red stamps that have been issued by the colonies.

SWITZERLAND. — *Stamp Collecting* reports that the new "Pro Juventute" stamps mentioned some weeks ago are supposed to have been printed at the Federal Mint, Berne, to the extent of three million francs' worth.

SPAIN. — *Stamp Collecting* prints the following: "We have lately received considerable correspondence from this country franked with quantities of the 15c stamp of 1900-2 in both colors, blue black and violet. It is evident from this that there is a huge supply of the stamps in question on hand, while there is possibly a shortage of the same denomination of the current (1909) series.

UPPER VOLTA.—The Economist Stamp Co. have shown us the following stamps of Upper Senegal and Niger surcharged "Haute-Volta" in black: 5c brown, 10c light green and dark green, 25c black and green, 30c orange and red and 50c bright blue and blue.

WALLIS & FUTUNA ISLANDS. — The Economist Stamp Co. advise that the new issues mentioned under New Caledonia of this chronicle have been overprinted "Iles Wallis et Futuna" in two lines in black.

STAMPS OF THE EX-GERMAN COLONIES.

Translated by W. G. WATT, M. D.

(*La Philatelie Francaise.*)

As a continuation of the article which we published in our last number, we are publishing the following on the subject of re-issues of the stamps of the former German colonies, taken from the *International Stamp Review* of Tournai, Belgium:—

Many of our readers know that the stamps of the German colonies have been re-issued. For those who have not as yet been warned, we call their special attention to what follows:—

The machine has continued to function at Berlin. The German State, trusting or having confidence in the purse of collectors and dealers, has sold, a few months since, a considerable stock of stamps *at their facial value*.

Among these it is necessary to distinguish two categories:

(a) The first is that of the emissions of the German stamps of 1889, surcharged "Kamerun", "Togo", "Karolinen", etc.

The way to distinguish these is the following: hold the stamp almost perpendicularly to your eye, the back making an angle of about 80 degrees. If the surcharge seems to be clear, almost brilliant, and very black, your surcharge is nothing but a common re-impression. If the surcharge is dull and gray, your stamp is truly genuine and dates from 1896;

(b) The second category is that of the "ship type". The first emission of these stamps has not been re-issued in very large amounts. It is not possible to frankly state that these re-impressions are able to influence the value of the issue as a whole when new. However, they have halted the rise and favorized the lowering of the price.

The collectors have been deceived by the apparition of the new catalog (Yvert?) of 1922. The German colonies have barely augmented in price 10% in a general way; the unused have rested stably and have undergone a depreciation of 10 to 15%.

The second emission of "boat type" has been made in 1905 with the lozenge watermark. Many of them were not of the higher values.

A fantastic number of them have been re-issued. It is said, in official circles, that the re-impression was "ten times" greater than the original issue.

And now, let us pass in review certain stamps of these countries:

South-West Africa. — The Y. & T. Nos. 29 and 30 (Scott 29, 31). These in used condition are really quite rare; they were in use only four months and the printing was fairly large (500,000) it is said. The unused ones were taken by the allied army of occupation in that colony. There, the soldiers hurriedly sold them to dealers, which explains the price of the unused stamps.

We give a rare obliteration of these two stamps: that of the little settlement of Aus.

East Africa. — We are able to easily say that these are the best of the stamps of the former German colonies. All the series, except the last, have been reissued in only very small numbers and this new issue will not be able to make much change in their prices. The last issue, however, that of 1906-1916 numbered in Yvert from 30 to 39 (Scott 31 to 39, 41), has not much value unused; simply from judging by the quotations it seems that the 60h is the most valuable, but this is not true. It is the 3 rupees which should be searched for and carefully preserved.

Cameroons.—The two first issues have been re-issued in large quantities (six times the original numbers). However,

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106	—	— 10p claret, very fine (338)	15.00	9.00
107	***German Emp.**	1874, 9k yellow brown, centered S as usual. (28a)	.60	.25
108	* —	— — block of four (28a)	2.40	1.10
109	***Hanover**	1859, 1g rose, mint, superb (19)	.75	.35
110	* —	— mint block of four, superb (19)	3.00	1.50
111	* —	— a similar block with marginal numerals, mint superb (19)	3.00	2.00
112	* —	— 1g violet rose, superb, mint (19a)	10.00	3.50
113	* —	— — block of four, mint, superb (19a)	40.00	18.00
114	* —	— — a similar block with margin numeral, mint, superb (19a)	40.00	22.00
115	***Hawaii**	1868, 13c dull rose, very fine (9b)	25.00	12.50
116	* —	1859, 1c black, small tear at top, otherwise very fine (23)	12.00	4.00
117	**Hayti**	1881, 5, 7c, very fine (4, 5)	4.25	2.25
118	**Hamburg - Am. Line**	1861, 10c blue and yellow, plain edge at right, black ring canc., fine	..	4.00
119	**Heligoland**	1875, 1pf, extremely rare and very fine (14)	12.00	6.50
120	**Italy**	1854, 40c dull rose, with wide corner margins, superb in every respect, extremely rare in such a fine condition (9)	25.00	16.00
121	**Lubeck**	1857, 2½sch error, two small tears, otherwise a very fine copy of this great rarity. A bargain. (3b)	150.00	25.00
122	**Newfoundland**	1868, 5c black, lightly canc., fine (33)	8.00	5.50
123	**New South Wales**	1850, 1p reddish rose, very fine (1)	50.00	25.00
124	—	— 3p, very fine. (9a)	40.00	20.00
125	—	— — very fine (9b)	60.00	26.00
126	**Nova Scotia**	1851, 3p blue, superb (3)	5.00	4.50
127	**Prussia**	1850, 6pf vermilion, block of 4, two pinholes, horiz. pen lines, fine block of four, rare thus (2)	6.00	3.00
128	**Poland**	1919, **Tarnow**, 25 values, extremely rare, very fine, complete	..	3.00
129	**Schleswig - Holstein**	1850, 1sch blue, somewhat heavily canc. as usual, but on cover, extremely rare thus, signed Thier (1)	75.00	42.00
130	—	1864, 4sch bistre, magnificent on piece, fully guaranteed (7)	30.00	18.00
	Thurn & Taxis On Cover			
131		1852, ¼sgr, superb with ½sgr (1, 3)	3.50	2.50
132		1859, ¼sgr red, fine, with ½sgr, superb (8, 9)	4.00	2.50
133		a similar cover, splendid margins (8, 9)	4.00	2.75
134		¼sgr red, fair, with 1862, ½sgr, very fine margins	.. 3.00	1.80
135		¼sgr red, superb, with 1sgr blue, very fine (15, 9)	3.50	
136		a similar cover, the 1sgr corner margins (15, 9)	3.50	
137		1862, ¼sgr black, superb, with ½sgr, fine (15, 17)	2.50	
138		a similar combination on half cover, the ¼sgr superb (15, 17)	2.50	
139		¼sgr with ½sgr, 3 copies, fine (15, 17)	4.50	
140		1865, ½sgr, very fine (23)	1.00	
141		1866, ½sgr, very fine (29)	1.75	
142	**Thurn&Taxis**	1852, ¼sgr brown, fine horizontal strip of three (1)	7.50	
143	—	— 3kr dark blue, fine horizontal strip of three, very rare thus (43)	1.80	
144	—	— 9kr yellow, horizontal strip of five, two stamps enormous margins on all sides, three stamps somewhat close at top (46)	2.00	
145	**Victoria**	1860, 6p orange-yellow, rare shade, folded before printing, an extraordinary fine copy (60)	40.00	1
146	—	1867, 5sh blue on yellow, somewhat centered to left, a very good copy of this rare stamp (120)	40.00	1
147	**Western Australia**	1854, 6p bronze, 1sh brown, cut octagonally, very fair copies, Scott $65.00, only	..	
148	**Wurtemberg**	1857, 1k yellow brown, fine horizontal pair, excellent margins (7)	8.00	
149	**U. S. A.**	1893, 1c-$5, magnificent copies, neatly canc. on six covers and envel., a very fine lot (230-245)	31.37	2
150	—	— 1c-$5 complete, fine, good and fair copies	.. 31.37	1

from the point of view of newness, the Cameroons is a pretty good country.

German China.—Oh! the fine counterfeits that we are able to have in our collections! ! The stamps of 1900, cataloged under the numbers 9 to 21, have received a fantastic number of false surcharges (Scott 424-435 & 436). The detection of these is not easy. In effect, the forgers are wary of the unused stamps; they take the common stamps of Germany of the 1900 issue and choose the stamp where the obliteration is not decipherable, and then surcharge it!

The collector, when one presents such a stamp, turns and re-turns the stamp, looking to see if it is not thinned (aminci), sees the ordinary type of German cancellation and pays from 50% to 60% of catalog; because you may well believe it, the forger is careful to offer at a price which is not too low, as that would excite the suspicions of the buyer.

A variety which one regrets to be unable to find in Yvert is this one: There was made on the German stamps of 1900 a surcharge "China" where the point over the letter "i" was replaced by an acute accent. It has been sold in the German offices from the No. 9 to 16. All the German catalogs make the distinction. The stamp so surcharged has besides that, a value ten times more than the original stamp itself.

Mariannes. — Number 5 of Yvert (Scott 15), 25pf orange, exists with inverted surcharge.

German Morocco.—Number 55 (Scott 743) 2P50 on 2mk, with surcharge reversed, exists also with thick surcharge.

German New Guinea. — Number 5 (Scott 5) 25pf orange, with inverted surcharge. I council collectors to avoid the forgeries which are circulating in Germany and Austria.

Obliterations.—Here, then, is the stumbling block of the amateurs in collecting the German colonies.

One is able to distinguish three types:

(a) The ordinary obliteration: it is the ordinary German cancellation. Above, the name of the country; below, the name of the town and, in the middle, a transverse band with the date;

(b) The obliteration of 1906-1914. Above, the name of the town; in the middle, in a band, the entire name of the country; for example, "Deutsch Sudvest-Africa"; then, in two lines lower down, the date;

(c) The obliteration of the parcel post. It is a simple round stamp (or seal) without name or any inscription, having often a cross in the middle; the ink is thick, dirty, much like the cancelling ink used in China. It is a mistake that many collectors make when they refuse these stamps. It is necessary, on the other hand, to look out for the five marks value, which has a superb obliteration, but which is often false. A five marks stamp, before the war, was worth 6 francs 25 ($1.25) and was only used on the parcels coming from the country and therefore was only obliterated by an ordinary canceller.

To finish, I wish to call the attention of collectors to the fact that, "There are no such things as fiscal obliterations from the German colonies".

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The same idea applies to 2c surface prints, of which I've found normal varieties of Colorado Springs, Colo., Portland, Me., Omaha, Neb., Waukesha, Wis., Sapulpa, Okla., Nashville, Tenn., Piqua, Ohio, Springfield, Ohio, double, Hoboken, N. J., Bonne Terre, Mo., Racine, Wis., Seattle, Wash., Ithaca, N. Y., Corning, N. Y., Shenandoah, Iowa, Oelwein, Des Moines, Davenport and Sioux City, Iowa, all these being normal. Mount Morris, Ill., in red ink, Springfield, Ohio, double, Chicago, Ill., colored ink, and inverted prints from Louisville, Ky., Kearney, Neb., Girard, Kans., and Shenandoah, Ia.

The 10x11 perforations will undoubtedly prove a great field for specializing, and some will be of unquestioned rarity, new ones being: Moberly, Mo., Westerville, Ohio, Green Bay, Wis., Lawrence, Kans., Hutchinson, Kans., Terre Haute, Ind., Mansfield, Ohio, Rock Island, Ill., Kansas City, Kans., Camden, N. J., Rutherford, N. J., and Niagara Falls, N. Y., inverted, also St. Joseph, Mich., and Long Island City, N. Y., normal.

Among the novelty issues are found New York, N. Y., coils in a new type, and old type in the 1-2-3-4-5c coils. Chicago also has the coils in two types in the 1 and 2c. Then comes Philadelphia, Pa., 1c coil, also Brooklyn, N. Y., in a 2c coil, Cincinnati, Ohio, 1c double, and Detroit, Mich., in a 1c coil.

Among the new rare precancels are 1-5-11c St. Louis new type, inverted.

There are two types of Rutherford, N. J., tiny type and big letter type. Both are scarce.—*Precancel Gazette.*

STAMPS SEVEN YEARS OVER-SEAS.

By HERMAN W. BOERS.

In the early part of 1914 Fred Heyerman of Detroit was invited to exhibit his collection of inverts at the International Stamp Exhibit, at Cassel, Germany, in July. It contained over 200 copies of U. S. and foreign, many very rare. There were many high class collections exhibited and the competition was very keen, but Mr. Heyerman was awarded a silver medal and diploma.

The collection was gotten together as a result of over twenty years of work and contained such gems as the 15c, 24c, 30c 1869 U. S., 1c, 2c, 4c U. S. 1901, 4 annas India 1850, 1854 Western Australia swan, etc. This collection had previously been awarded three medals at exhibitions held at Chicago and New York.

Soon after the exhibition was over the great World War broke out and the return of the collection to Mr. Heyerman proved a great problem. There was uncertainty of mail delivery and no insurance could be obtained. Mr. Heyerman appealed to friends, who in the meantime went abroad, but met with no success. He never lost faith in the return of his collection and a few weeks ago he was notified that his stamps had arrived in New York after an absence of seven years.

Two years ago he received from the Cassel Exhibition committee the medal awarded him, which was a beautiful piece of work, also a diploma. It is now possible for Detroit collectors to once more feast their eyes on something rather unusual in the way of collections. Detroit philately is to be congratulated upon its good fortune.

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15pfg brown-violet, dark brown-violet, deep brown-violet.
20pfg ultramarine.
30pfg orange and black, toned paper.
40pfg rose-carmine.
50pfg violet and black.
1 Mark, red, pale red, deep red.
1.25Mk green.
1.50Mk brown.
2 Marks dark blue, steel blue, greenish blue, pale deep blue.
2.50Mk rose-lilac, pale lilac, red lilac.
3 Marks violet-black, greyish black.
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"25" on 30pfg orange and black on *buff* (10/8/20), green overprint.
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Meanwhile, owing to pressure of work in connection with the colour changes in the contemporary German postage stamps, the State Printing Works at Berlin declared themselves unable to undertake further overprinting on behalf of the Dantzig Commission. Accordingly the stocks of German postage stamps in the Dantzig post office, which had been withdrawn from circulation, were handed over to the firm of Julius Sauer to be overprinted for local use, and were eventually re-issued on August 15th, with the addition of the word "Danzig" impressed diagonally on the face in flowing script type, with a bar cancelling the inscription "Deutsches Reich". In the case of the six mark values a burelage of fine green lines was applied to the stamps as a mark of distinction prior to the overprinting of the town name. In the complete absence of supplies of the mark denominations, these were extemporised by means of provisional surcharges on pfennig values.

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5pfg green,	1,500,000
7½pfg orange,	30,000
10pfg carmine,	100,000
15pfg violet and black,	1,500,000
20pfg blue,	750,000
25pfg red and black on *yellow*,	500,000
30pfg red and black on *buff*,	20,000
40pfg carmine and black,	200,000
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60pfg purple,	6,000
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1mk on 30pfg red and black on *buff*,	500,000
1¼Mk on 3pfg brown,	150,000
2Mk on 35pfg red-brown,	300,000
3Mk on 7½pfg orange,	150,000
5Mk on 2pfg grey,	100,000
10Mk on 7½pfg orange,	100,000

Varieties of the 5pfg value exist:—(*a*) Without bar through *Deutsches Reich;* (*b*) with double bar; and (*c*) "Denzig" for "Danzig". The 15pfg is known with the word "Danzig" omitted.

Three particular postage stamps for use in connection with the Swedish-German air mail service were provided by the Dantzig postal authorities on September 29th, 1920, in the form of the contemporary German 40pfg stamp, bearing the Berlin overprint "Danzig" in Gothic type, additionally overprinted with the device of an aeroplane or winged posthorn and surcharged "40" and "60" pfg and "1 Mark".

Series IV. Air Post Stamps. Locally Overprinted.

"40" on 40pfg carmine (Blue overprint).
"60" on 40pfg carmine (Carmine overprint).
1 Mark on 40 pfg carmine (Blue overprint).

On November 15th, 1920, the Free Port of Dantzig was formally granted autonomous Government under a mandate of the League of Nations, and preparations were forthwith put in hand for a series of permanent postage stamps.

Pending the advent of these, however, it was found necessary to create further local and provisional surcharges to meet a deficit in the supply of the 5 and 60pfg stamps, as well as to provide a new 80pfg denomination. To this end the 30pfg stamp of the original Berlin issue was again pressed into the service and surcharged locally with the requisite figures. These stamps were placed on sale early in November, 1920.

Series V. Local and Provisional Surcharges.

"5" on 30pfg red and black on *buff*.
"60" on 30pfg, red and black on *buff*.
"80" on 30pfg, red and black on *buff*.

The design adopted for the first definite postage stamps of the Free Port represents an ancient "Kogge", or armed merchant ship of the Hanseatic League. This Hanseatic League was a loose federation of the free ports of the North Sea from Amsterdam to Reval, who were banded together for the better protection of their trade. At one time they were the virtual rulers of the North Sea. Their "kogges", stoutly built of oak, were designed both for trade and warfare, with high gunwales and fortified turrets fore and aft; they could only be sunk by gunfire. Broad in the beam, their waists afforded enough shelter for a large number of men and weapons. The high poop and mastheads provided shelter for archers. In 1368, however, they were armed with blunderbusses against the Danes.

The vignette on the stamps shows a pennant floating from one mast, and from the other a small four-quartered flag, bearing the Arms of the League. Incorporated in the design is the date of the Constitution, "15.xi.21", and, in the case of the higher values, a shield emblazoned with the City Arms of Dantzig.

This issue was lithographed by Julius Sauer upon paper with a honeycomb watermark resembling that of the Argentine stamps of 1912, and, when first issued, the sheets were divided by means of a zig-zag roulette, like the Greek adhesives. More recently a comb perforation, gauging 14, has been introduced.

Series VI. Constitution Issue.

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Two mighty good 3c surface prints are Lander, Wyo., and Smithville, Tex., both in the U-8 type.

San Bruno, Calif., 2c surface print is a slippery one to catch. This town is not listed in the new catalogue, but is out with a type resembling U-1.

Two scarce 13-centers lately acquired are Columbia, Mo., and Johnson City, N. Y.

Harrisburg, Ark., now vies with Harrisburg, Pa., in the precancel world. But the precancels hailing from there are so scarce that few collectors are aware of their existence.

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RELATIVE SCARCITY OF USED BLOCKS OF 19TH CENTURY U. S. STAMPS.

By HUBERT LYMAN CLARK.

During the past thirteen years my attention as a stamp-lover has been given almost exclusively to the pursuit of postally used blocks and I have watched with interest the steadily growing interest in these fascinating items. When I first began my collection, a block of four was treated as equivalent to four single stamps, even tho it was imperforate. The first (and best) block of the Canadian beaver 3d that I ever saw I bought from one of our large stamp companies for $1.25, the stamp at that time cataloguing 35c. The last block I saw came from a London dealer and sold promptly for fifty dollars! No better illustration could be given of the change that a dozen years has brought in our appreciation of used blocks. The equally marked growth in the interest in United States stamps has led to a demand for used blocks of nineteenth century United States that is enormously in excess of the supply, and as many mistaken ideas are common as to the relative scarcity of such blocks it seems worth while to put on record some of the opinions I have drawn from my experience. Most collectors want to know what a used block of such-and-such a stamp is worth, so I venture to suggest what I consider a reasonable price would be for each of the principal United States stamps in a used block of four.

I most earnestly beg my readers, however, to consider that the value of such a block depends on at least four factors.

1.—The catalog value of single copies, both used and unused, in our standard catalog. I know it is quite in style to jeer at those prices as no criterion of real value, but I have no patience with that attitude. As a rule, this catalog value serves as a basis for estimating the relative value of the stamp as compared with other United States stamps. Without it most of us would be completely at sea. My experience as a buyer has led me to believe that the prices in Scott are a better gauge of value than those of Gibbons and infinitely better than those of Yvert-Tellier.

2.—The actual scarcity of blocks does not depend on the rareness or commonness of the single stamps. Some of the stamps which catalog at only one or two cents in single copies are very hard to find in used blocks, while some high value stamps are relatively common. No doubt there are several reasons for this, two of which are obvious. It is simpler to use a single 20c stamp than a block of four 5c, but when the postage is a large sum, multiples of the highest available value, and hence often blocks, must be used. On the other hand, the recipient of a piece of mail with low value stamps on it, even in a block, throws them into the wastebasket, but a block of high value stamps attracts the attention and is pretty sure to be saved. The fact is that only experience and observation will tell what stamps are common in blocks.

3.—Condition has come to be an important factor in the market value of blocks, altho it is not yet quite so unreasonably considered as with single stamps. Personally, I have no patience with the condition crank who considers as serious defects invisible tears, narrow margins and thin spots, *which do not affect the appearance of the block.* But my opinion is only my own and I can't force it on anyone else. One of the great beauties of stamp collecting is that we may each decide for ourselves what suits us, and no one can question our rights. So, in buying used blocks, collectors do use their own judgment and condition makes a vast difference. Good margins or perfect centering, combined with clear place and date cancellations, moderately applied, very greatly enhance a block's value.

4.—Undoubtedly, however, the greatest factor at the present time in determining the price that a block will bring at auction is the value of a dollar to the would be buyers. There are many collectors to whom the purchase of a block of four seems sheer extravagance—a single stamp answers all their needs, and the extra stamps are waste. At the other extreme are men who can and will pay hundreds of dollars, if necessary, to buy a block, if it appeals to them as very desirable. In between are the large majority of adult collectors who can and do spend moderate sums for the stamps

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that they really want. Hence it follows that while the number of collectors who will pay a couple of dollars for an attractive block is very large, when the price rises to ten or fifteen dollars, a large proportion of the buyers would rather have the money they can afford to spend, available for single stamps, and drop out of the competition. When the price of a block goes above fifty dollars, the number of would be buyers is pretty small, tho if two of them happen to be bidding at the same auction, their efforts to secure the block may serve the purpose of a dozen would-be buyers! As a result of this difference in number of buyers as the amount involved increases, it follows that blocks cannot be fairly priced at a certain number of times the catalog value. I have known a block to bring over 70 times catalogue value, while a far more desirable block brought less than 4 times catalogue value. But in the first case, the catalogue value of the block was 20c and in the second case it was $20!

With this explanatory introduction, I will now take up each of the chief issues, but I am not a specialist in United States stamps and I shall not attempt to express an opinion on the relative scarcity of the different papers, grilles or printings of what are otherwise identical stamps. I wish to acknowledge the help I have received from my friend, Mr. J. W. Sampson, concerning some of the rarer blocks, as he has handled several that I have never seen, but he is in no way responsible for the ideas here expressed as to the value of the blocks, and I have no doubt would often disagree with me.

1847.—The 5c is by no means an excessive rarity in used blocks of four, and the number extant probably passes a dozen, perhaps twenty. A block in average condition is worth a hundred dollars and will, in the present state of the American market, bring several times that. It would be foolish to attempt to set a limit to what a superb block would bring. The 10c is, so far as I am aware, known in only two used blocks of four. One is pen-cancelled, and the other is not in superb condition, but it sold from the Worthington collection at $480. If a block of the 5c is worth a hundred dollars, a block of the 10c is a bargain at six or seven hundred.

1851.—The imperforate stamps issued in 1851 are rare in used blocks, the 3c being the least so. The 1c is somewhat less frequent than the 3c, the 12c and 10c being still less common, and the 5c, of course, rarest of all. I should put the price for an average block of four of the 3c at ten dollars, for the 1c (type IV) at twenty-five dollars, the 10c at forty, the 12c at fifty and the 5c at two hundred and fifty. But let no one expect to buy at these prices, except he has extraordinary luck! Recent auction quotations on the 1c are $73 and $74, on the 12c, $86, and on the 10c over $200! Everything depends on condition and competition. There is no doubt that the whole issue is a "fad" at the present time.

1857.—The perforated stamps of the 1851 designs are quite as rare in used blocks as are the imperforates, but they do not command nearly such high prices. The 1c is about as common as the 3c, the 12c is much more rare and the 10c is still more uncommon. The 5c is very rare. I have never seen a used block of any of the higher values, but Mr. Sampson tells me of two blocks of the 24c known to him, and a block of the 90c on part cover. A used block of the 30c seems to be the *rara avis* of this issue. I should value a block of the 3c at from five to ten dollars, according to centering and cancellation, the 1c (type V) at ten to twenty dollars, the 10c at twenty to twenty-five, the 12c at thirty to forty and the 5c at forty to fifty. Of course the type of the 1c and the color of the 5c are factors that might increase the price of the blocks enormously. It is little less than absurd to put prices on the highest values, but evidently the 24c is not so valuable as the other two; suppose we put it at one hundred and fifty dollars and the 90c and 30c at three hundred each!

(*To be continued.*)

SYRACUSE CELEBRATES.

By A. A. Levé.

The third annual banquet of the Syracuse, N. Y. Stamp Club was held Friday evening, Feb. 17, at the Chamber of Commerce rooms and was one wonderful night for the members of this lively organization. The forty members present were fed up on stamps as well as the regular article. Red, white and blue napkins were furnished with stamps mounted in one of the corners and stamp gifts from dealers were among the table decorations. The menu card consisted of post cards decorated with designs of stamps in their original covers and the following was the

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By DOUGLAS B. ARMSTRONG.

CHAPTER IX.

Edwardian Series.

The Edwardian postage stamps of the Bahamas appeared on December 19th, 1902, having been received four days previously, and were printed from a special key-plate of pleasing and unconventional design, incorporating the profile portrait of King Edward VII by Herr. Emil Fuchs, as shown on the contemporary shamps of Great Britain.

They were surface-printed by Messrs. De La Rue & Co., the value being inserted in the blank tablet at the foot of the design from a separate "duty-plate" upon ordinary Crown C A paper, and were issued in single panes of 60 stamps, each containing ten rows of 6. The plate number "1" within a solid circle of colour was repeated at each corner of the sheets, which were also numbered consecutively in black in the upper right-hand corner. A series of broken marginal lines were printed in colour round the edges of the panes.

1902. Dec. 19th. 1d carmine-rose, wmk. C A, perf. 14. (Printing 425,820.)

Dec. 19th. 2½d bright blue and dull blue, wmk. C A, perf. 14. (Printing 410,400.)

Dec. 19th. 4d orange, wmk. C A, perf. 14. (Printing 21,240.)

1910. Mar. 3rd. 4d pale yellow, wmk. C A, perf. 14.

1902. Dec. 19th. 6d brown, wmk. C A, perf. 14. (Printing 30,540.)

Dec. 19th. 1s grey-black and carmine, wmk. C A, perf. 14. (Printing 36,540.)

1907. June. 1s grey and carmine, wmk. C A, perf. 14.

1902. Dec. 19th. 5s dull purple and blue, wmk. C A, perf. 14.

Dec. 19th. £1 green and black, wmk. C A, perf. 14. (Printing 9,240.)

CHAPTER X.

Multiple Watermark.

Early in 1906 these stamps began to be issued with the new multiple form of Crown C A watermark, the initial value of the Multiple series being the 1d placed on sale on April 25th, 1906. An additional stamp of the face value of ½d was included in the series with the Multiple Crown C A watermark, of which four values only were issued.

1906. May 3rd. ½d yellow-green, wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14. (Printing 241,800.)

1906. April 25th. 1d carmine-rose, wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14. (Printing 1,206,660.)

1907. April ? 2½d ultramarine, wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14. (Printing 485,100.)

1911. Aug. 14th. 6d brown ochre, wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14. (Printing 6,240.)

The remainders of Bahamas postage stamps bearing the head of the late King Edward VII, were officially withdrawn from circulation on June 1st, 1914.

Multiple Pictorials.—On or about February 7th, 1911, the 1d Bahamas postage stamp in the "Queen's Staircase" design appeared upon paper watermarked Multiple Crown C A, instead of single Crown C C as formerly. The initial consignment with this watermark was actually received in the Colony three months previous to that date, and consisted of 114,600 stamps. A later printing, which came into use about five years later was in a distinct new shade, viz., scarlet and black. The next value of the pictorial series to appear upon Multiple C A watermarked paper was the 2s in November, 1916. A new value, 3d printed in purple on yellow dyed paper with the same watermark was added to this series on May 18th, 1917, on which date also appeared the 5d in new colours, viz., violet and grey. Finally the 3s with Multiple watermark was placed on sale about August, 1917. Early in 1919, the colours of the 3d, pictorial stamp, were modified to brown and black on white paper.

1911. Feb. 7th. 1d carmine and black, wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14.

1916. ? 1d scarlet and grey-black, wmk. C A, perf. 14.

1917. May 18th. 3d purple on *yellow*, Mult. C A, perf. 14.

1919. Mar. ? 3d brown and black, wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14.

1917. May 18th. 5d violet and grey-black, wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14.

1916. Nov. ? 2s blue and black, wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14.

1917. Aug. ? 3s green and black, wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14.

According to Mr. E. W. Mann the vignette and border plates utilized in printing the above listed stamps on Multiple watermarked paper were as follows:

1d Mult. C A, thick paper, Frame Pl. 1, Vig. Pl. 2.
1d Mult. C A, thick paper, Frame Pl. 2, Vig. Pl. 2.
1d Mult C A.
1d Mult. C A, thinner paper, Frame Pl. 2, Vig. Pl. 4.
3d Mult. C A, bright lemon paper, Frame Pl. 1, Vig. Pl. 2.
3d Mult. C A, thick, dull yellow paper, Frame Pl. 1, Vig. Pl. 4.
3d Mult. C A, brown and black on white, Frame Pl. 1, Vig. Pl. 4.
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NEWFOUNDLAND-HALIFAX AIR MAIL.

By HARRY E. HUBER.

(Continued from Vol. XXV, page 728.)

In *The Daily News* of December 9th, a letter from a Botwood correspondent gives some interesting information as to the delays which have attended this contemplated air flight to Halifax:

"All things were moving along smoothly until the machine made its first test, which resulted in a leakage of about 20 gallons of water in what were supposed to be air-tight floats, due either to the stress of the passage from England, or to carelessness on the part of those responsible for their manufacture. These floats were removed on the 28th November, and re-assembled on the 30th, having been sealed and repaired. In the meantime, the Bay had frozen over, and on the 1st December, the S. S. Cranley cut a channel that the ice might break up and move out. That night, however, a hurricane swept the shore, rafting it alongside the beach to a height in places of 15 feet. The rafted ice extended about a half mile from the shore on which the hangar is located. Since then there has been neither wind nor rain to take it away. It is estimated that there are from 50 to 100 tons of ice between the hangar and the shore that must be removed."

By the 8th December all the ice before the hangar had been removed; the floats had been replaced with skis, and the aviators were simply marking time until the ice should become hard enough to enable them to take off. Under his contract with the Post Office Department, Major Cotton is to receive $1000 if the mail is delivered at Halifax within a certain time limit.

At noon, Saturday, the 10th, the Deputy Minister of Customs, H. W. LeMessurier, received a message from Botwood reading:—

"Aeroplane with mails left Botwood for Halifax at 10.40 this morning. Takeoff was excellent, and weather exceptionally favorable for swift flight."

But—an hour later a message came from the telegraph operator at Deer Lake (95 miles from Botwood), advising that the aviators had been compelled to descend at Deer Lake Beach, about a mile from Deer Lake, after being 2 hours in the air.

The story of the flight as told by Capt. Bennett, who is associated with Major Cotton in this flight, in a letter to his father, J. R. Bennett, formerly Colonial Secretary, is as follows:

"We were ready yesterday morning (December 10th) at about 5 a. m. and as it was quite calm, decided to have a shot at Halifax.

We left Botwood at 10.40 a. m. and took a fairly long run to get off, owing to the load we had on board. The clouds were only 2000 ft., so we climbed above them and followed the railway until we reached the Topsails. Here a big storm was raging and we could see nothing, so steered by compass until we hit the railway again at Grand Lake.

The engine by this time was giving considerable trouble. However, we did not come down to rectify it but carried on, and passed over Deer Lake station, but only caught occasional glimpses of it through the clouds. Noting a thin strip of ice at the head of the lake (an airman's mind instinctively is picking out possible landing places in case of engine failure), we carried on to the end of the lake and then came up against a black wall of seething clouds towering about 3000 ft. above us. It was a wonderful sight, but hardly the time to show us beauty.

We endeavored to get round, as we could not get above them with the engine running so badly, and got right over Grand Lake, a lovely sight, with banks dropping sheer to the lake, whose waters were a perfect opal black.

The engine was now beginning to cut out altogether at times, so we turned and steered back by compass for the piece of ice noted at Deer Lake.

Most of the last hour and twenty minutes had been passed above the clouds, with but an occasional glimpse of the ground, making it very difficult, because to put one's head out to look over the side meant a frozen blast of air, which was almost unbearable. We landed all right, thanks to the skids, and ran across a ditch and up over logs to the edge of the forest. In fact, we ran high and dry, as we feared the ice might not hold our weight.

Trying to locate our troubles, we found a frozen radiator, which we thawed out with a patent petrol heater we carried for cooking. Number five cylinder has a nasty clank in it, and as we require some parts from Botwood, we sent for two mechanics, who will be here tomorrow morning (the 12th)".

By the 15th the engine trouble had been corrected. But in starting up the engine that day, Major Cotton had both arms caught in the propeller and badly bruised, necessitating his return to St. John's by rail, for medical attention. Under the circumstances, it was decided that Capt. Bennett should fly the machine back to Botwood, and prepare another machine for a fresh start.

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On January 3rd, 1860, just prior to the manufacture of the 300 subject plates a lengthy set of rules was promulgated for the guidance of those entrusted with the manufacture of Belgian postage stamps from which we make the following extracts:—

"Art. 1.—The Bureau which has charge of the manufacture of postage stamps, established at the building of the General Administration of Railroads, Posts and Telegraphs is placed under the control of the Bureau of Supply.

Art. 2.—The plates for the printing of stamps are to bear an engraved inscription, indicating the manufacture and year of their being placed in use.

Art. 4.—As soon as they are rendered useless for service, the plates are to be scratched with a graver in order to prevent their again being used for the printing of stamps.

The sheets intended for the printing of stamps are to bear at the right, in the upper corner, the printed inscription "Timbres Poste", followed by the indication of the series and the numerical order of the sheet.

The sheets printed in 1860 are to form the series "A", and all following series are to be indicated in alphabetical order.

Art. 10—Immediately after the printing, the Supervisor will apply at the bottom of each printed sheet, at the left, a hand stamp bearing the inscription "Atelier de Timbres Poste (Contrôle)".

Art. 35.—On the day of printing the rejected impressions are to be placed in a chemical solution, in order to render improper use impossible."

We learn from Article 2 of the above that on the plates themselves was engraved the year date of their manufacture. Unfortunately stamps of this issue with any sheet margin at all attached are particularly hard to find. In fact it seems that before being issued to the post-offices the sheets were carefully trimmed of all superfluous paper, being cut quite close to the outer margins of the outside rows of stamps. But we have evidence that a date was inscribed, for in a small collection made some years ago we had two copies of the 20 centimes of this issue from the bottom row of the sheet with the date 1861 engraved on the margin below, about 4 mm. below the bottom frame lines of the design. Whether the same date appeared in the lower margin of the other plates or whether any other marginal inscription was also engraved we cannot say.

Mr. Bouvez states that in the plates of 200 subjects the space between the stamps in the horizontal rows was invariably 1½ mm., while between the stamps vertically it was 1 mm. On the larger plates of 300 subjects the space varies, both horizontally and vertically, between about ½ mm and 1½ mm. We have found all these varieties of spacing in connection with the unwatermarked stamps and if the different measurements indicate the two sets of plates then this is additional evidence that the 200 plates were used in printing the stamps on unwatermarked paper and serves again to show that the date of actual issue must be prior to 1861.

Gibbons' catalogue lists the 40c with "frame line recut" and the 10c with "plate retouched" but if, as now seems more than probable, the 200 subject plates were used all the recut and other varieties found in connection with the last issue should also be found on unwatermarked paper. What varieties, if any, are peculiar to the 300 subject plates we cannot say, but we have noted many copies of the 10c and 20c, with very narrow spacing, with the outer frames recut and occasionally projecting.

With the exception of the 20c all the varieties of this series provide numerous well-marked shades and although the paper was machine-made it varies in thickness almost to the same extent as the hand-made variety. There are not the same gradations, however, and it is therefore a simple matter to divide the stamps into two sets designated as thick and thin paper. Whether these differences are of any philatelic importance is questionable as the two sorts of papers were not confined to definite printings so far as is known. Occasionally the paper is found with very slight ribbing but we believe this is a peculiarity entirely due to some idiosyncrasy in printing. Scott's catalogue lists the 1 centime on laid paper but it is very certain that the Belgian government never made use of a real "laid" paper for any of its stamps, though in connection with the 1866 issue varieties on an apparently laid paper are known. Moens' book mentions essays or proofs of the three higher values of this issue on laid paper, and states that the paper of some of the issued stamps appears to be laid, but that the appearance is due to defects in the manufacture of the paper. It is also well known that such an appearance is also produced sometimes in the course of printing stamps from steel plates.

We mentioned in connection with the last issue that varieties are to be found in the size of the stamps, these being accounted for by varying shrinkage of the paper. The same varieties are found in connection with the stamps of this issue though they are a little more striking and provide differences in measurement exceeding 1mm. One writer asserts there were two dies for each denomination and Mr. de Bont asserts there were two types for each value and infers these represent the stamps from the 200 and 300 subject plates respectively. Finally Gibbons' catalogue gives these varieties undue and mistaken importance by listing the 10c, 20c and 40c as with ovals measuring 17¼ and 16½ mm. respectively.

These differences were known as long ago as 1868 when a writer in the *Stamp Collector's Magazine* pointed them out and advocated their collection as different varieties. But we thought their philatelic status, together with those of other stamps printed from steel engraved plates showing similar variations in measurement, had been settled finally some twenty years ago. Mr. W. A. S. Westoby went into the matter very thoroughly and gave the result of his researches in the *Monthly Journal* for June, 1897. He found these varieties were undoubtedly due to nothing more than shrinkage of the paper in drying, an opinion in which Messrs. Perkins, Bacon & Co. concurred. He also learned that machine-made paper shrank more than hand-made, and that the shrinking was irregular as it shrank more in one direction than another. This is due to the fact that the paper fibres are stretched more in one direction than another in the course of manufacture, and the tension in the finished paper is removed by dampening. In conclusion Mr. Westoby accounts for the fact that the ovals on later prints do differ in size from those of earlier issues as follows:—

"And now I will endeavor to account for the fact, which I conceded, that the major axis of the oval is for the most part longer in the stamps from 1861 onwards than in those printed prior to that date. The majority of those printed in 1861 were from the new plates, and on machine-made paper. Machine-made paper is not so hard as that made by hand; it is more spongy and imbibes the water more freely. In this state it is printed on, and the tendency of the copper-plate printing process is to lengthen the sheet. In typographic printing, whether it is done in the ordinary book-printing press or in one adapted for surface printing, the pressure is applied vertically. The copper-plate printing press is a roller press, and its action tends to stretch the damp paper on the plate as it passes under the roller, and this dilation of the paper is greater in the soft machine-made paper than in the harder hand-made paper.

I therefore have not the shadow of a doubt upon the question, and attribute the variations in size entirely to the shrinking of the paper. The stamps were all the product of the same dies, and there are no varieties in type such as a philatelist would acknowledge. If a collector likes to possess stamps showing the extreme differences in the appearance of the medallions, that is a different matter, and one upon which I refrain from offering any opinion. Each collector must judge for himself."

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EDITORIAL.

Early—The Kansas City Stamp Club is an enterprising organization and it takes time by the fore-lock by nominating three of its leaders for Board of Vice-Presidents of the American Philatelic Society, Messrs. Wilson D. Wood, Allen Logan and Wm. C. Michaels, respectively. All of these gentlemen are known to those who have attended recent conventions of the national organization and it is good to think that the A.P.S. can attract men of the caliber of these to its offices. It is a labor of love to fill the positions in the big national society and the success of the society depends greatly upon the capacity of its officers.

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Found—We are pleased to print the following letter from Mr. Henry C. Needham of New York: "Some months ago, you had an editorial in the matter of stamps which Frank Godden, Limited, had sent to Frank Marquis of this city, on approval; and by Mr. Marquis lost at the time he was taken sick in a Third Avenue car. Other stamps were lost at the same time, including a small lot belonging to Mr. Giwelb of Brighton, England, and a large lot of U. S. items belonging to Mr. Marquis. It is with pleasure that I now have to advsie you that most of the stamps so lost, and belonging to Frank Godden, Limited, London, England, have been found and duly forwarded to the owner. At the same time some of the items belonging to Mr. Giwelb were found and have been sent to him. All these stamps were returned to me on February 11th. There has been a steady pursuit of the goods for a period of six months. I am most gratified at the result and trust that a short editorial by you will bring to the attention of dealers and collectors the unusual notice of lost stamps having been found and returned. Mr. Marquis advises me that the fine items owned by him have not been found as yet but that he is hopeful that soon he will make a complete recovery of them." We rejoice that such satisfactory progress has been made in this difficult case and we shall hope that the rule that lost, strayed or stolen property is not recovered be wholly disproved.

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Canal—From Mr. Revere Carpenter, we have received an interesting extract from Philip S. Marden's "Sailing South", published by Houghton Mifflin Company, Boston, copyright 1921, that tells "how a postage stamp was instrumental in determining the location of the Panama Canal." We shall summarize the story. In speaking of Panama and its ancient aspects, the writer tells of the remnant of an old church. Only a singularly long and flat brick arch endures as a mute survival of the earthquakes of Panama; it is a testimonial to their "reasonable gentleness". This arch in conjunction with a Nicaraguan postage stamp is said to have determined the site of the Panama Canal. The Nicaraguan postage stamp pictured a volcano in action, which was a graphic refutation of Nicaragua's boast at the time that it enjoyed a comparative immunity from seismic disturbances and a senator is alleged to have made the most of the condemnatory stamp. The specimen proved that there certainly was a volcano in Nicaragua and that moreover a wharf is pictured on the stamp badly wrecked by the self-same volcano's eruption. This is one of the best stamp tales imaginable and it may be confidently advanced as a masterpiece. If the story is true, and we cannot say that it is not, by any means, the writer is justified in saying that "little things are always altering the big things in the course of history". We suppose that the fatal stamp was of the 1900 type.

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Press—Publicity for stamps is coming in greater degree than ever before. No longer is it possible for us to give all instances attention; and this observation is made gladly. When we contrast the years past when we were alert to make capital out of almost every reference in the outside press to philately, with the present time when notices are at every hand, we hail the change. We must speak of Mr. George M. Emery's feature story in the *Public Ledger* of Sunday, February 19, 1922, "The World's Greatest Fakes", being an account of the embracive reprint, counterfeit, etc., collection of Mr. Eugene Klein, Philadelphia, the counterfeit detector of the American Philatelic Society. The bang-up article is illustrated and occupies almost a full page. In another article that we noticed recently, the term "super-collector" was used to designate the much advanced and sophisticated philatelist. By the way, we hope that there is a "central bureau" somewhere that keeps all or many of these stamp articles, as it is quite necessary that they be preserved for purposes of record.

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—If parties victimized by Mark Hanna, New Kensington, Pa., will write O. W. Crowder, 3124 Abell Ave., Baltimore, Md., they will receive valuable cooperation in the settlement of their claims.

—The Akron (Ohio) *Sunday Times* of Feb. 12 contained a fine story about the Rubber City Stamp Club. A picture is shown portraying the features of some twenty-six members of the organization. The club meets every Wednesday and D. R. Heath is president and J. E. Crouch secretary-treasurer.

—We have received a pricelist of sets issued by the Leader Stamp Co., 308 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo. It covers both United States and foreign stamps and will be sent to anyone upon request.

—Ernest Poole's last novel, "Beggars' Gold", features a stamp collection around which in a way the story turns. While the details are not numerous, yet it plays a sufficient part to make clear that the author knows something about stamps and appreciates their value both as a recreation and as a business.—J. I. WYER.

—The Stamp Shoppe, Inc., have two interesting items in their sale of March 9. We note a 24c 1869 invert and a 2c Pan-American invert used.

—A pricelist is at hand from E. T. Parker, Bethlehem, Pa. It covers a large number of stamps singly and in addition many sets are also priced. A specimen upon request.

—We are indebted to J. J. Prendergast for a page clipping from the *Boston Evening Transcript*, which tells the story of "Counterfeit Stamps in Prison for Life with One Man Keeping Guard". The article features the Eugene Klein collection of counterfeit stamps and a fine picture of Mr. Klein seated at his desk is a striking feature of the story. The article is written by Geo. M. Emery, whose publicity work has been frequently commented upon in our columns.

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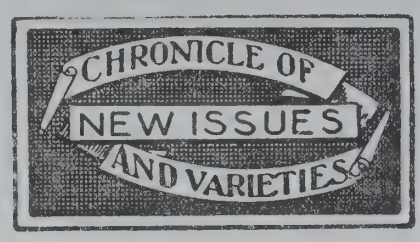

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Through the courtesy of the Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing I am able to bring our list of plate numbers up to February 17, 1922. It will be noted that a few older plates omitted from the previous Bureau list are included.

Plate No.	Den.	Class.	Series.	Subj.
13493-496	2c	Ord.	1911	400
13497-500	5c	"	"	"
13501-504	10c	"	"	"
13505-514	2c	Ord. Cvd.	"	170
13515-517	13c	Ord.	"	400
13567-	2c	"	1911	400
13568-	13c	"	"	"
13569-572	4c	"	"	"
13573-574	1c	Ord. Cvd.	"	"
13575-576	1c	" "	"	170
13577-586	2c	" "	"	"
13587-594	2c	Ord.	"	400
13595-608	2c	Ord. Cvd.	"	170
13609-610	1c	" "	"	400
13611-612	1c	" "	"	170
13613-614	1c	" "	"	400
13615-616	1c	" "	"	170
13617-624	2c	Book	"	360
13625-628	10c	Ord. Cvd.	"	170
13629-632	2c	" "	"	150
13633-636	5c	" "	"	170
13637-638	2c	" "	"	170
13639-640	2c	" "	"	400
13641-642	2c	" "	"	170
13643-646	2c	" "	"	400
13647-648	2c	" "	"	170
13649-650	1c	" "	"	400
13651-652	2c	" "	"	170
13653-656	50c	Ord.	"	400
13657-658	2c	Ord. Cvd.	"	170
13659-674	2c	Ord.	"	400
13675-676	1c	Ord. Cvd.	"	170
13677-678	2c	" "	"	170
13679-682	2c	Ord.	"	400

It will be noted from the above list that four plates have been made for the 10c coil stamps but from the information received recently from the Bureau I am informed that only two of them were used for the early run. Six plates of the 2c stamp of four hundred subjects for the rotary press are included and this means that we will possibly soon have the 2c perforated 10, similar to the present 1c. It will also be seen that a new set of 50c plates of the flat type as well as four 5c coil plates, the first made for a number of months are on the list.

Mr. A. C. Holly sends for inspection a copy of the current 2c circular die, entire, die A, size 5, in a very peculiar shade of red brown. This does not appear to be a changeling and is possibly a combination of the black ink for the return card being mixed with the regular red ink. It has been used by a firm located in Paullina, Iowa.

Messrs. R. H. Mason and E. C. Brown have shown me a few new provisional envelopes not listed heretofore.

1920-21, 2c on 3c Provisional Envelopes.
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Die A on amber, Size 9, Wmk. 19, H. B.

Mr. C. B. Allison sends a clipping from the Sioux Falls *Press* of February 14, 1922, calling attention to the 5c red error which has been found in that Post Office. This is no doubt our former friend from plate number 7942 and the information is somewhat late.

AUSTRIA.—The Economist Stamp Co. send us six values of a new set of stamps recently issued. At the top of each value are the letters "Osterreich". The 75h show the face of a man and the value is at the base; the 1k and 7½k have the word "Kronen" at the base with the figure in the centre; 10k and 50k are similar in design, but larger in size, while the 25k show the front view of a native and is larger than the former values. The first three stamps are of red brown shade, while the 10 and 50k are grey blue and the 25k deep blue. Each stamp bears the name of W. Dachauer in small letters at the base. Mr. F. F. E. Kopecky also submits a copy of the 25k for inspection.

CANADA.—Frank Pollard Brown advises that the color of the current 5c stamp has been changed from blue to purple.

Mr. J. Abram informs us that the 5c blue King George is going to appear in purple. This is official. He expects that the 1c and 2c will be issued in new colors.

We are indebted to Hector M. MacLean for the following items:—

Under date of Nov. 5 the P. O. Department announced the surcharging of the ordinary 2c post-cards for foreign use with "6 cents" in accord with the new rates. All 2c postal union cards were ordered returned.

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LATVIA.—Mr. Karl Koslowski sends us the following information, "I have the opportunity of again sending you the news that additional values of the present Arms type set have appeared. This to comply with the new and higher rates of postage, 50k, 9r and 15r. I am unable to inform you of the new colors of the first and last values, but the 9r is dull orange shade".

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196	90c very fine, 76, 98, *117	19.00	10.00
197	90c fine, 71, *73, 79	15.25	7.50
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	1867		
222	5c brown, grilled, v. good, 49, 77, 116	17.00	8.00
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	1869		
239	15c type I, very good, 32d, 69, 98	12.25	7.00
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	1857		
253	5c brown, type II, fair, 68, 116, *123	19.00	8.75
254	5c brown, type I, fair, 78a, 87, *114	14.50	6.75
255	12c good, 50, 68, 116	9.25	4.75
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257	24c, very good, 68, 113, 116	15.40	8.00
258	30c, very good, 68, 78a, *113	24.50	12.00
	1861		
259	5c ol.yel., perfs. gone 2 sides, 71, 112, 114	38.80	7.75
260	5c brown yel., very good, 50, 68, *113	28.75	15.00
261	5c brown yellow, fair, 49, 93, 112	28.90	13.00
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265	90c very good, 68, 112, 113	14.50	7.00
266	90c pale blue, very good, 50, *65, 113	12.00	6.00
267	*24c gray, fine, 49, 76, 116	14.00	6.75
268	90c grilled, very good, 50, 112, *113	29.75	14.50
	1869		
269	*10c fair, 50, 68, *113	11.75	5.75
270	15c well centred, 68, 71, 113	6.15	3.25
271	15c well centred, 69, 71, 78	9.00	4.75
272	* 2c **Re-Issue,** fine, 50, 76a, 77	15.25	8.00
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	1851		
277	* 1c type IV, fine, 76a, 117, *229, 1523	14.75	
278	12c fine, 96, *113, 1525, 1595	16.25	
	1857		
279	5c type II, v. good. 71, 116, *228, 1501	15.50	
280	12c very good, 69, 77, 116, *1527a	13.75	
281	12c very good, 76, 78, *113 o. g., 149	12.00	
282	30c very fair, 97, 229, *241, 1586	27.25	
	1861-7		
283	24c brown lilac, fine, 69, 117, 261, 1541	16.25	
284	90c fair. 42f, 96, 119, 1543	18.35	
285	90c very fair, 42f, 87, 116, *1527	16.35	
286	* 5c red brown, fair, perf. centr., 71, 119, 163, 1526	38.00	
287	2c grilled, 12x14, v.fine, 116, 191, 261, 1561	22.75	
288	*10c grilled, fine, 42f, 76a, 112, 1539	15.10	
289	90c grilled, fair, 69, 96, 116, 1524	32.75	
	1869		
290	1c **Re-Issue,** v. good, 71, 117, *185, 1579	16.25	
	1879		
291	90c very good, 86, 116, 261, 1528	13.75	
	1893		
292	$1 very good, 32d, 77, 117, 1559a	11.50	
293	$2 very good, 69, 71, 116, 1555	12.00	
294	$5 very fair, 78b, 116, 151, 2214	17.75	
295	$5 1894, **no wmk.,** v.good, 89, 117, 152, 1527	20.00	
296	$2 1895, fine, 76a, 90, 116, 1592	13.00	
297	$1 1898, fine, 76a, 98, 115, *1601	12.50	
298	$2 1898, v. good, 89, 90, *113 o. g., 1523	17.00	
299	***Agric.** 1c very good, 69, 71, 76, 116	48.00	
300	***Navy** 7c fine, 69, 78, 96, 112	22.25	
301	**State** 7c fine, 69, 97, 117, 153	11.00	
302	**Newsp.** 1865, 5c fine, 77, 117, 218, 1520	13.00	
303	**Newsp.** 1865, 5c, v.good, 96, 116, 166, 1801R	12.00	
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305	**New York,** City Despatch. 1849, very fair, 76, *94, o. g., 117, 1503	27.00	
	1861-7		
306	* 5c red brown, fair, 152, 229, *241, 276	36.00	
307	5c red brown, good, 69, 73, well centr., 119 town canc., 312	14.50	
308	30c grilled, very fair, 68, 149, 276, 292	11.25	
309	30c grilled, fair, 89, 113, 154, 312	12.40	
	1869		
310	* 1c, **Re-Issue,** 68, 78, well centr., 152, 312	12.00	
311	* 1c, **Re-Issue,** 71, 77, 152, *334	15.00	
312	7c 1870, grilled, v. fine, 50, 92, 96, 276	11.25	
313	90c 1873, v.good, 68, 71, 78, well centr., 1552	9.25	
314	90c 1879, very good, 68, 98, 162, *311	10.50	
315	90c 1888, fine, 68, 78a, 93, centr., 149	6.90	
	1893		
316	*$2 o. g., fine, 49, 51, 68, 149, centr.	14.00	
317	*$3 fine, 68, 77, 116, 312	15.00	
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319	*$5 o. g., very fine, 68, 78a, 117, 1526	18.00	
320	*$2 1895, o. g., fine, 68, 117, 154, 162*	12.00	
321	$5 1895, v.fine, 73, well centr., 112, 154, 1526	11.90	
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HUH?

TO THE EDITOR:

Your issue of Feb. 11th, with its pleasant little notice (the second one, I believe) about the article "Stamp Frauds and Their Detection", in our January number, is brought to my attention by our mutual friend Percy Doane. I'm mighty glad you liked this little piece, but your notice to this effect raises a scientific question that puzzles me greatly.

The fact is, I was under the impression that I had written this article myself. I was under the impression that I had borrowed the pages from Mr. Doane's counterfeit collection, and from his counter the philatelic paraphernalia, employed in illustrating this article; and that our managing editor, our staff photographer, and myself had spent a busy afternoon posing and exposing these items. Even more strange, Mr. Doane himself was under the impression that it was to me he loaned the counterfeit collection for the purpose, and from me that he got it back again. But it seems that we were both mistaken, and that the person who did all this was one Mr. George B. Newton, Jr. If the delusion that it was I were confined to me, I should bear my cross in silent bewilderment; but the fact that Mr. Doane shares the obsession with me prompts me to appeal for light. If the psychological member of your staff will elucidate this extraordinary phenomenon, he will oblige me greatly.

As a matter of fact, the thing does not stop there. I was under the impression that the handsome party whose countenance, rather long and lean and unidirectional in contour, adorns the pictures that appear with this story, was myself. Most of my friends—all of them who have seen the story, in fact—have been of the same opinion. How account for this collective aspect of the hallucination?

Again, I am under the impression that the arrangement of Mr. Doane's counterfeit collection was done by me several years ago, and from time to time since then; and that my knowledge of it thus acquired enabled me to make a reasonably advantageous selection from the thousands of copies which it contains. Am I to infer that this, too, is a mistake, and that the official custodian of this collection all this time has been George B. Newton, Jr.?

Incidentally, will you be good enough to inform me, and perhaps through your columns a considerable number of your puzzled New York readers, just who in the name of the Sacred Horned Cow—the one that appears on the Moldavia stamps which for some unaccountable reason are absent alike from my specialized collection of Roumania and from my collection of early issues — in the name of this interesting animal, I entreat, will you inform us who this guy George B. Newton, Jr., is; and why; and how he gets that way; and just what his bright little idea is, anyhow? I can assure you that he is neither the philatelic member nor any other old kind of a member of the editorial staff of the *Scientific American;* and that so far as the charter members of the Percy G. Doane Sitting Club are concerned, he is totally unknown to them as well.

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No.	Unused.	Used
14	1.00	.25
15	1.00	.15
16 or a	4.00	1.50
18	2.25	1.50
19 or a	3.50	.75
20	..	2.00
21	.40	.35
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24	..	.25
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26b	..	3.00
27	.85	.60
27a	..	.75
29, thin spot	..	3.50
31	..	1.00
31a	5.00	1.50
32	.15	.01
32a	3.00	.30
33	.25	.01
34	.60	.06
34a	2.50	.25
35	1.00	.10
36	2.00	.60
37	5.00	1.50
38	.75	.08
39	1.00	.50
39a	2.00	.60
40	.06	.03
40b, un'd, thin spot	..	3.50
41	1.50	.05
42	.25	.01
42a	1.50	.25
43	.20	.05
44	.60	.20
45	1.50	.45
45a or b	1.50	.50
46	.60	.25
47	.85	.12
48	1.50	.17
48a	2.00	.20
48b	.90	.10
48c	1.00	.10
50	.40	.40
51	.06	.02
52	.10	.05
53	.10	.01
54	.25	.10
55	.70	.70

No.	Unused.	Used
56	.25	.15
57	.35	.25
59	.60	.60
60	.80	.30
61	..	1.75
66	.02	.01
67	.04	.01
68	.06	.01
69	.06	.01
70	.12	.02
71	.30	..
72	.25	.06
73	.55	.35
74	.02	.01
75	.03	.01
76	.06	.01
77	.05	.01
78	.15	.06
79	.60	.40
80	.35	.25
81	..	.06
82-85, ea.	.05	.02
86	.05	.01
86, o. g., booklet pane of 6	3.00	..
86, o. g., imperf.	10.00	..
87	1.00	..
88	.50	..
89	.03	.01
90	.04	.01
90a	.05	..
91	.10	.01
92	.12	.02
93	.18	.02
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*204	8g	.15	.05
*206	2g	.15	.05
*207	16g	.15	.05
Aitutaki			
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*188	25h	.04	.02
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*190	40h	.06	.03
*191	50h	.08	.03
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Austria			
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*193	80h	.12	.05
*194	90h	.15	.06
*195	1k	.18	.07
*196	2k	.25	.10
*197	3k	.35	.15
*198	4k	.50	.24
*199	10k	1.25	.50
*212	2k	.04	.02
*352	5h	.03	.01
*472	1h	.03	.01
474	3h	.02	.01
475	5h	.02	.01
476	6h	.02	.01
478	12h	.08	.03
*481	30h	.05	.02
485	50h	.20	.10
486	60h	.15	.06
*487	72h	.15	.06
o489	2k	.75	.25
*490	3k	.40	.14
*492	10k	1.00	.35
493	10H	.04	.02
494	15H	.03	.01
496	80H	.15	.04

Cat. No.	Val.	Cat. Price.	My Pr.
Austria			
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(Of course you may; what do you suppose I wrote it for?)

(But for the love of Pete, score one for yourself by spelling my name right; there are two L's, at separate points, in Malcolm, and there is no Y in Bird.)

['Twould be profanation to change a comma of the foregoing communique. It is so good that it caused a smile on our wan countenance. Do not blame Mr. Newton for the mistake; we did it, but how, why and wherefore we wot not. We glory in our guilt, for if we had not erred, Mr. Bird would not handed us thirty dollars' worth of sparkling stuff for nary a pistareen.—EDITOR.]

MORE ABOUT LIBAU, LATVIA.

By KARL KOSLOWSKI.

I note in a recent issue that claims are being presented against George H. Jaeger of Libau. Regarding this I think it would be best for American philatelists to keep away from Libau. This place has been infested by a stamp scourge and quite recently by a flock of counterfeiters. A recent issue of a Lettish newspaper just at hand devotes considerable space to the news that certain counterfeiters have just been apprehended. Fine 1000 mark banknotes have been printed by the wholesale, being so well executed that the Berlin banks could recognize them only by the thickness of the paper. Whereupon loads of faked Latvia stamps made in Germany have flooded the former country.

Several important stamp export firms in Libau dealing in stamps have failed to function. One party is James Wheeler-Hill, Jr., whose application for membership in the A.P.S. was recently rejected.

It would be for the good of philately if George H. Jaeger as a member of the A.P.S. and also of the A.S.D.A. would kindly let the philatelic world have the much desired news of the dark spots in the Latvian stamp manipulations.

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HOW "PINK BACK" STAMPS ARE FORMED.

By S. G. RICH, Department of Chemistry, Concord State Normal, Athens, W. Va.

The "pink back" of the 2 cent, 3 cent and Special Delivery stamps of the U. S. is not a variety deliberately produced, nor is it due to any change in the ink ordered for the printing of these stamps. It is not found on every stamp of these denominations printed in "aniline ink". The origin of this variety is, however, perfectly clear to the chemist.

It is probably known to most philatelists that dyes of coal-tar origin are the principal coloring matters of many of the inks now used for printing stamps. Owing to the superior brilliance of hue, and the fact that they are entirely free from grit, these colors have in large measure superseded the mineral pigments used in former days. Moreover, it is possible in many cases in which a more brilliant color is not desired, to secure aniline colors in a finer state of division—in a powder of finer grains—than the corresponding mineral colors. This advantage holds even for many colors artificially made, such as ultramarine. In that case, for example, the synthetic ultramarine is exactly the same substance as the finely ground lapis-lazuli that was used up to within half a century. Today it is probable that very few stamps of ultramarine color are printed with ink actually containing ultramarine; the modern inks contain other pigments, of coal tar origin, blended to give the same tint. Methylene blue, which has high coloring power, is probably a chief constituent of many of these inks.

It is well known to chemists that aniline and cellulose give a product of a pink color, soluble in water. The pink color is formed more readily when the cellulose has been subjected to too long a bleaching action under either chlorine or calcium hypochlorite, forming the substance hydrocellulose. Aniline itself, or aniline oil, as it is called to distinguish it from products of aniline, is extensively used in the rubber industry, with the result that sometimes a small amount of it exists unchanged in the finished product. As this oil is somewhat volatile, it penetrates as vapor into articles in contact with the rubber or close to it, with ease. The pink color produced by the reaction between aniline and cellulose is, for example, found in the canvas linings of some rubber shoes, and occasionally in cotton goods that have been close to tires in freight cars. These goods, as well as linen and paper, are almost pure cellulose.

In the case of textiles, the pink coloring matter will wash out readily, as it is in a position to get full contact with water.

The "pink back" stamps would appear thus to be printed with inks which contain along with the colors derived from aniline, a small amount of unchanged aniline oil. This reacts with the cellulose of the paper, forming the pink compound on its fibers, but of course directly under the ink for the most part. The question will arise why the color does not soak out when the stamps are placed in water. Examination of a number of pink back specimens of the 2 cent shows me that this actually does occur, but that, owing to the position of the pink matter under the ink and the relatively short time the stamps are wet in soaking them off the cover, only a small part of the pink matter dissolves away. Specimens of pink back stamps left a longer time in water show a distinct weakening of the pink color.

It remains to be remarked that the quantity of aniline needed to produce the pink color is very small. In one case, cited in the *Scientific American* of February, 1922, the aniline left after curing 70 lbs. of rubber—perhaps a tenth of an ounce—affected a large amount of fabric with the pink color.

The pink back stamps are all the product of the period since the making of coal-tar colors in this country began. In the effort to keep their factories going and still meet foreign competition, our manufacturers of dyes have not been able to spend in all cases the money necessary to remove all the uncombined aniline from their products. Hence the pink backs of stamps in whose inks these colors are used.

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RELATIVE SCARCITY OF USED BLOCKS OF 19TH CENTURY U. S. STAMPS.

By HUBERT LYMAN CLARK.

(*Continued from page 114*)

1861-1868.—In discussing the stamps in use during and after the Civil War, I refer to the commonest variety of each value. The shades and grilles will greatly affect the value of blocks offered at auction. The 3c rose is a fairly common block and a good one is worth about a dollar, while the 3c red is rarer and is worth twice as much. The 3c pink is a real rarity — I know of but one — and ought to be worth over fifty dollars, but owing to the difficulty of feeling sure of the shade, this block would never sell for a price commensurate with its catalog value and rarity. The 10c is probably next to the 3c in commonness, but it is a hard block to find and a good quartette is easily worth ten dollars. The 12c is still more rare and a good block should bring twenty dollars. The 24c is not much more scarce than the 12c and we may call twenty-five dollars a fair starting price. Mr. Sampson considers the 24c more common than the 12c. The 90c is fully as common as either the 12c or the 24c, but owing to its high catalogue value, it will bring a much higher price. It really is not worth over forty dollars, however, unless very fine indeed. The 2c is much less common than the 90c, but of course will not bring a comparable price; a well-centered block with good cancellation is certainly worth fifteen dollars. The 1c is surprisingly rare in blocks of four. I have never seen a block, tho I have heard of several. Such a piece would be worth fifteen dollars and up. Mr. Sampson considers the 1c more common than the 90c. The 5c brown is another rare one, worth twenty dollars and up, according to shade, and the 5c buff, of which I know of one block, on cover, by the way, would certainly be well worth a hundred dollars if it were really fine. The 15c black is surprisingly rare and I think a superb, well centered block of 4 ought to be worth forty dollars. I should rank the 30c as the rarest stamp of the issue in a used block. Mr. Sampson considers it less rare than the 5c, a little more rare than the 2c. At any rate, its scarcity is very surprising in view of the relative commonness of the 30c 1869. I do not think fifty dollars would be too high a price for a good block of the 1861, 30c.

1869.—Probably no perforated issue of United States stamps is so popular as this one and used blocks are in exceptional demand. There is no doubt that the commonest stamp of the series in this form is the 30c. This statement will be a surprise to many, for I have repeatedly had experienced collectors point to my block of four with some remark like, "That must be a rare one," and whenever blocks of this 30c have been offered to me by dealers, they have almost always been accompanied by some annotation as to the rarity. It is certainly a curious fact that whereas blocks of the 30c, 1861, either without or with grille, are very rare, altho the stamp was in use nearly eight years, and blocks of the 30c, 1873, 1879 and 1888 issues are of real rarity, the 30c 1869, in use hardly more than a year, is probably more common in used blocks than any other United States stamp issued before 1880, except the 3c rose of 1861 and later years, and the 1c and 3c issues of 1873 and later. Blocks of 4 are not at all uncommon, as blocks go, blocks of 6, 8 and 9 may hardly be called rarities, and I know of at least one block of twelve. A possible explanation of this situation is that the 90c was never on sale at many offices, and in many places, therefore, when a considerable amount of postage was needed, multiples of the 30c were used, and the stamps themselves being square, square or oblong blocks were used more frequently than strips. Owing to the beauty of the stamp and the considerable amount of money involved, these blocks were rarely if ever thrown away or destroyed, and hence persist to the present day. The 90c of the 1870-71 issue was, however, widely distributed and the multiple use of 30c stamps became greatly restricted.

Next to the 30c the 1c stamp of the 1869 series is the most common, while the 3c is somewhat more rare. The 90c is undoubtedly the next most common block of this issue. I have known of four or five different blocks of four and at least one block of six that have been sold in the past five years, so that this 90c cannot be considered of very great rarity in used blocks. The 24c comes next, and then the 2c, 10c, 12c and 15c. These are all real rarities, however. I have seen only one 10c block and one 12c, and only two 24c. The 2c I have not seen, but I have known of two blocks, and Mr. Sampson would list it between the 90c and 24c. The 6c and 15c in blocks I have never seen, but Mr. Sampson has seen a block of each. When it comes to prices, the 30c, 1c and 3c are the only ones for which we have any criterion of value. The 30c in a block of four brings from $16 to $42 at auction this winter, according to condition, so we may call $25-$30 a fair price for an average block. Anyone who pays over forty dollars, unless the block has a noteworthy cancellation and is in superb condition, is getting "let-in"! If, then, we value the 30c at $25, a block of the 1c is worth about ten dollars and the 3c ought to be worth about 40c. But such a block is so unusual and attractive a piece that it has to be unusually off center and poor not to bring ten times forty cents. A really good block of the 1869 3c is a good bargain at anything less than four dollars. Again recalling twenty-five dollars as the fair price for a 30c block, we must put an average block of 24c stamps, at $150, of the 2c at $15, of the 10c at $75, of the 12c at $75 and the 15c, even in the cheaper form, at at least $100. Probably $75 would be a low figure to set on a block of the 6c; unless very poor, it would probably bring above a hundred dollars at auction this winter. A block of the 12c has just sold in a Boston auction for $104, and while the appearance was very good, it was not superb.

1870-1882.—In dealing with the stamps of this period, I plead guilty to being a poor guide or worse! I confess I can't tell the different papers and printings apart and even the secret marks on some of the values are too secret for me. Hence in my own collection I am guided wholly by design and color, with some attention to shade and to secret marks when they are obvious. I have a block of the 90c carmine; so far as I can see it has no grille. I call it No. 155 because that has the least catalogue value and if ever I am told by an expert that it is No. 166 or No. 191, I shall be that much better off! Whether one accepts my happy-go-lucky system or not, I think there can be no question that the 3c is the commonest block in all of the printings except 1882 (which Mr. Sampson tells me is very rare), and the 1c is next. Neither the 6c nor 10c can be called really rare. The 90c and 15c come next, with the 2c vermilion about as rare. The 5c brown, Garfield, is more common than the 5c blue Taylor, but

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The adoption of Gaelic characters for the provisional overprint, as well as for the projected permanent stamps, is a sidelight on the present state of affairs in Ireland, for less than ten per-cent. of the whole population of that country speak or even understand Gaelic.

The translation of the overprint is "Provisional Government of Ireland, 1922." It is, of course, quite possible that an inscription in English may supersede the Gaelic overprint, but readers can be sure of the latest definite news in due course.

We understand that the Irish Postmaster-General is in London and in close consultation with the British Postmaster-General.—*Stamp Collecting.*

both are very hard to find. The 30c and 12c are very uncommon, and the 2c brown and 7c are very rare indeed. I have never seen the 24c in a used block, but Mr. Sampson tells me he formerly had one. Of course the value of any of these blocks will depend on their accurate classification by the catalogue, as well as on their condition. The prices that I am about to give may be regarded as the minimum price for the printing with lowest catalog value. Thus a block of four of the 3c green, in good used condition, is worth about fifty cents, but this means the 1879 printing. Specialists in U. S. would no doubt consider the printing of 1873 worth twice as much, and that of 1871, three times a half-dollar, while that of 1882 would be worth very much more still. No doubt a block of the same stamp with well marked grille would bring several dollars. A good block of the 1c is worth from fifty cents up; the 6c, a dollar and up, and the 10c about the same. A good 90c block is worth ten dollars and the 15c is a bargain at three dollars. The 2c vermilion is worth a dollar and a half or more, the 5c Garfield, two dollars, and the 5c Taylor, two and a half or three dollars. The 30c is cheap at five dollars, but most blocks I have seen were in poor condition. The 12c is a good buy at twelve or fifteen dollars, and the 2c brown is cheap at three dollars. The last auction price that I have noted for a block of 4 of the 2c brown was $7.10; the block was very fine, obviously postally used, but lightly cancelled; the price, however, was really excessively high. The 7c, a very popular and desirable stamp, is worth twenty dollars in a good used block of four, and at auction such a block would certainly bring more. I should consider a good block of the 24c as a bargain at anything less than fifty dollars. If a block of four of the 30c 1869 is ever worth forty dollars, an equally fine block of the 24c 1871 is certainly worth over a hundred.

(*To be continued.*)

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The 37th annual meeting of the Rhode Island Philatelic Society was held in the Wesminster Tea Rooms, Providence, Tuesday evening, February 21. Thirty members and guests were present to enjoy the excellent dinner and entertainment provided by the committee, consisting of Messrs. Chambers, Mason and Chapin.

The officers of the previous year were all re-elected. The president is E. Tudor Gross and the secretary-treasurer, C. D. Skinner, Jr.

C. A. Howes of Boston, was present and gave an interesting account of his early collecting. Wm. C. Stone of Springfield, Mass., was the guest of honor and gave some "Early Reminiscences". It was a most interesting talk. After the speaking, the members present examined two collections of early U. S., one blocks of four and the other the 1869 issue.

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CHAPTER VII.

The Introduction of Perforation.

Although England had adopted perforation in 1854 it was not introduced by the Belgian government until 1863, and even then the authorities were forced to take action largely as the result of threatened private enterprise. Machines capable of perforating a single line were employed by many stationers in the 'sixties and among the firms owning a primitive perforator of this kind was Gouweloos Frères, of the Rue Brogniez, Brussels. This firm offered to sell a machine to the government but knowing the slowness with which officialdom usually moves they at the same time announced their readiness to perforate sheets of stamps for private individuals or firms at the small cost of 5 centimes (1c) per sheet of 300 stamps.

This woke the government up to the necessity of doing something in the matter so a committee was hastily named which, in its turn (following an inevitable law in things of this sort) named a sub-committee. The sub-committee went in a body to the manufacturers for the purpose of examining the proposed machine. One of the engineers eyed it with disdain and at once put his veto on it because, according to him, it was not worthy of the country; he wanted something big and more imposing looking. The machine being only a trifle larger than a sewing machine appeared altogether too insignificant and, besides, the price asked for it was 2400 francs. The remaining members of the sub-committee agreed with the adverse report. But the public had become interested in the matter and seeing the innovation likely to be postponed indefinitely, clamoured for it all the more. Then the government took a prudent step to get out of the difficulty and made a contract with Gouweloos for the perforation of a certain number of sheets of stamps per day with a minimum output of five hundred. It also agreed to acquire the machine if, by its success, the fallibility of the investigating committee should be proved.

Having made the contract the powers that be hastened to acquaint the public of the good news by means of a decree dated March 24th, 1863, viz.:—

"Perforation of the Sheets of Postage Stamps.

To carry out a decision of the Minister of Public Works, the sheets of postage stamps shall, in future, be perforated; in order to permit of the easy separation of stamps from one another. In order to delay as little as possible the convenience thus offered to the public, the post-offices will receive, immediately after receipt of their orders for the month following, perforated sheets which they shall immediately place in distribution, after the exhaustion, however, of the sheets which have already been broken. At the same time the postmasters are to send to the Custodian of Stamps, in order that they may be perforated, all unbroken sheets which they may still have in stock and which will be returned to them with as little delay as possible."

Mr. Bouvez says the perforated stamps were first placed on sale on May 1st, 1863, while other writers say April 11th. We have been unable to trace any official notice stating a definite date but judging by the above quoted announcement the perforated stamps were intended to be placed on sale early in April. The new issue chroniclers of the time seem to have paid scant heed to the innovation and the only item we can find relating to the matter is an obscure paragraph in the *Stamp Collectors' Magazine* for June 1st, 1863, viz.:—"The Belgians, who would not presume to dream of anticipating the French in any improvement, are about to follow their example by adopting the perforating system." Mr. de Bont writes:—

"Perforated stamps were first issued officially on April 11, 1863, but perforated copies are found bearing an earlier date than this. Certain banks and other large institutions, where a great number of stamps were used every day, had already made arrangements with the firm to perforate stamps for them, which was done for quite a small figure."

The actual date the perforated stamps were circulated under official auspices must, therefore, in the absence of any documentary evidence to the contrary, remain unsettled, for as those perforated privately by Gouweloos came from the same machine there is, of course, no means of telling one from the other.

In his article in the *American Journal of Philately* Mr. Bouvez makes a statement regarding which we have failed to find the slightest corroboration elsewhere. He writes:—"About six months before the appearance of the preceding decree (the one quoted above) certain post offices, desiring to facilitate their operations of sale, and in imitation of the system already in use elsewhere, provided themselves with rouletting machines, by which they secured in advance the advantages accruing from the perforating of sheets. These machines produced several varieties of rouletting." It is certainly remarkable that if such semi-official rouletting took place that no one but Mr. Bouvez has ever considered it of sufficient importance to remark on it. But not only is this statement made but we are also given a list of no less than fourteen different towns in which these rouletted stamps are alleged to have been sold. We are frankly sceptical as to the existence of any rouletted varieties but we are open to conviction, and if any reader has such things, especially on cover, we would greatly appreciate the opportunity of inspecting them.

Although postmasters were instructed to return all unbroken sheets of imperforate stamps on hand at the time of the publication of the decree dated March 24th, a comparatively small quantity was returned to be perforated. The totals were 1 centime, 170 sheets; 10 centimes, 221 sheets; 20 centimes, 152 sheets; and 40 centimes, only 29 sheets. These figures are given by Mr. Bouvez and were, presumably, obtained from official sources.

These stamps exist with several distinct varieties of perforation due to punches of different gauges having been used. It is generally conceded that the stamps first perforated had a gauge of 12½ and shortly afterwards the stamps appeared with a gauge measuring 12½ by 13½. As the perforating machine only perforated a single line at a time this combination appears difficult to account for. Mr. Castle points out that the 13½ gauge is only found in combination with the 12½ and that in these compounds the 12½ measurement is almost invariably found at top and bottom of the stamps. It is hardly likely Gouweloos took the trouble to change the sets of punches so that one set was used to perforate the horizontal rows and another the vertical one. Indeed it is highly questionable if this firm noted or knew there was the slightest difference in the size of the holes made by the different sets of punches.

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Mr. Edge. I ask unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of Senate Bill 2703, which was introduced by my colleague [Mr. Frelinghuysen]. I am quite sure the bill will not lead to any opposition whatever.

The Presiding Officer (Mr. Spencer). The Senator from New Jersey asks unanimous consent for the present consideration of the bill named by him. Is there objection?

Mr. Curtis. Let the bill be reported.

Mr. King. Reserving the right to object, I ask that the bill may be reported.

The Presiding Officer. The Secretary will state the bill by title.

The Assistant Secretary. A bill (S. 2703) amending an act to codify, revise, and amend the penal laws of the United States.

Mr. Edge. I shall be very glad briefly to explain the object of the bill if I may secure unanimous consent for its present consideration.

Mr. Underwood. Will not the Senator allow the bill to be read at length? We can not understand the object of the measure until it shall have been read.

Mr. Edge. I ask that the bill may be read by the Secretary.

The Assistant Secretary read the bill.

Mr. Edge. Mr. President, undoubtedly, as a majority of Senators well know, my colleague is a very enthusiastic stamp collector This bill simply provides an amendment to the Penal Code in order that defaced dies may be used for the purpose of reproducing stamps for foreign countries. The bill has the approval of the Attorney General's Department and also of the Treasury officials who are in charge of matters relating to the printing of stamps. I trust the bill may receive the approval of the Senate.

Mr. King. I should like to ask the Senator from New Jersey whether the Post Office authorities are willing that this measure shall pass?

Mr. Edge. The Treasury officials have announced to the Committee on the Judiciary that they have no objection whatever to the passage of the act.

The Presiding Officer. Is there objection to the immediate consideration of the bill?

There being no objection, the Senate, as in Committee of the Whole, proceeded to consider the bill, which had been reported from the Committee on the Judiciary with an amendment to strike out all after the enacting clause, in the following words:

"That sections 161, 172 and 220 of the act entitled 'An act to codify, revise, and amend the penal laws of the United States,' approved March 4, 1909, are hereby amended by adding the following: *'Provided,* That nothing in said sections shall be construed to forbid or prevent the printing or publishing illustrations of postage or revenue stamps from plates so defaced as to indicate that the illustrations are not adapted or intended for use as stamps, or to prevent or forbid the making of necessary plates therefor for use in philatelic or historical articles, books, journals, or albums, or the circulars of legitimate publishers or dealers in such stamps, books, journals, or albums: *And provided further,* That no such illustration shall be made in colors, and that no such illustration or plate shall be of a stamp of the United States.'"

And in lieu thereof to insert:

"That nothing in sections 161, 172 and 220 of the act entitled 'An act to codify, revise, and amend the penal laws of the United States,' approved March 4, 1909 (35 Stats. L., pp. 1118, 1121 and 1132), shall be construed to forbid or prevent the printing or publishing of illustrations of postage or revenue stamps from plates so defaced as to indicate that the illustrations are not adapted or intended for use as stamps, or to prevent or forbid the making of necessary plates therefor for use in philatelic or historical articles, books, journals, or albums, or the circulars of legitimate publishers or dealers in such stamps, books, journals, or albums; but no such illustration shall be made in colors, and no such illustration or plate shall be of a stamp of the United States.'"

The Presiding Officer. The question is on agreeing to the amendment reported by the committee in the nature of a substitute.

The amendment was agreed to.

The bill was reported to the Senate as amended and the amendment was concurred in,

The bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time and passed.

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EDITORIAL.

Hail—On the 21st of February, 1922, Messrs. Elmer A. Barry and Wm. Jerrems, Jr., of Kansas City, Mo., representing the Kansas City Stamp Club, aided in the organization of a stamp club at the Boys' Hotel, "which houses over one hundred and twenty homeless boys, ranging in age from twelve to twenty years, who are self-supporting. Twenty-five of these men of the future held a meeting and formed a stamp club in as expeditious and business-like a manner as men members of a stamp club could have done. Perhaps this announcement will not be considered as news of great moment but it has made a decided impression on us. Here we have a practical philatelic philanthropy in a most engaging aspect that is being busy as they are, yet give of their time to brighten the path-way of boys who have no homes. Stamp collecting may have a share in the making of some of these boys as our pursuit develops the mental side of the young without exacting a toll on their vitality. You who like boys and want each one of them to have a chance and who would be willing to do helpful work among them but who cannot spare the time (as many of us say) should know that donations of old used albums of any size or kind, catalogues, stamp literature and duplicates of stamps will be thankfully received by the boys of "The Stamp Club," % The Boys' Hotel, 1601 Admiral Boulevard, Kansas City, Mo. Mem. The Kansas City Stamp Club endorses the boys' club.

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Russ—Old Soviet Russia shoots up a sky-rocket by saying through some accredited officer of the government that it intends to make "a philatelic country" out of Soviet Russia. We do not gather from the remarks that the nation is about to embark into the stamp business in competition with the dealers but the inference is that it is the intention to provide for the wants of the stamp collector in a free and fancy way. We trust that Russia will control its passion for liberty in the fullest sense as we have always had a feeling of compassion for the creaking printing-press. While the ink runs well, no low descending sun will set without shining on another issue done. Extry—We stop the presses long enough to say that a caller shows fifty of the one hundred rouble Russia which was just half of the number of the stamps on a letter received in Chicago from the home of the free.

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Sale—While we are handling "foreign news" we cannot forbear to speak of the enterprise of the managers of the Ferrari auction sale in using high-priced advertising in some of our daily newspapers to tell of the forthcoming sale of the great accumulation which is being dispersed in Paris. We read: "U. S. postage stamps composing the Ferrari collection will be sold at the Hotel des Ventes in Paris, on 5th, 6th, 7th, April, 1922. Catalogues free on application. * * *." The foregoing words appeared as a reading notice in the Chicago *Tribune* and we should be interested in knowing how responsive the great general public is to an invitation of the kind.

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Asks—From Mr. S. G. Powell, University of Washington, we have received the following communication: "I wonder if it is considered strictly honest to advertise and sell cancelled-to-order stamps as used stamps? I have no quarrel with those who wish to collect cancelled-to-order copies but I do think that we should apply the term 'used' to stamps which have actually been used to prepay postage, and to those only. To my mind a dealer who sells a cancelled-to-order copy as a used one is guilty of down-right dishonesty. This practice, in most cases, is merely a source of annoyance to the older collector; but to the younger collector who cannot discriminate, it is a good deal more than this. I have answered the advertisements of a number of dealers who offer used stamps and in over half the cases I had to return the stamps because they were not 'used' as they had been advertised, for they still retained their original gum. Your journal could accomplish a great deal toward eliminating this evil, by requiring your advertisers to confine their use of the word 'used' to postally used stamps and call the others cancelled or whatever they want to." Here is a suggestion that should start an argument and which would make a good subject for a philatelic debate. The question of "philatelically used" stamps does not enter into the case. Should the cancelled-to-order stamp with its original gum be allowed to masquerade as a "used" stamp?

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Rich—A Los Angeles bond issue of $13,000,000 was bought by a Chicago bank, among others, and when the bonds were received at Chicago, a collector in Chicago was among the men who counted the bonds. There were thirty-three packages bearing dozens of the five-dollar current issue, many two dollar, and other stamps. Six of the packages were sent by insured registered mail but twenty-seven packages, after they had been stamped, were refused insurance; and so they were sent under charge of thirteen members of the California State Police. When the bonds were counted, the unused postage stamps that were on the ten million dollar packages, were carefully put aside and over two hundred dollars' worth of two's and five's were saved in order that they might be returned to Los Angeles "for redemption." The collector was given the comparatively few of the stamps on the three parcels by registered mail; and he would have had them all, were it not for the fact that there was a clash on the question of insurance.

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Down—Since the first of March, 1922, the domestic rate of two cents an ounce or fraction thereof will apply to letters mailed in the United States destined for Bermuda, as the department somewhat prettily puts it.

BRITISH GUIANA AIR MAIL.

The air mail service, maintained with the assistance of the French Government up to the Marowyne River, which is the boundary between French and Dutch Guiana, has been carried on with considerable difficulty, according to reports received from travelers. It is said that the engines are much affected by the moist climate, and that various depths of rivers renders a landing on their surface very dangerous because of concealed rocks which are often but a few inches below the surface of the water. This latter difficulty is intensified by the fact that the water is very often covered with mist, which prevents careful observation before landing.

The Bermuda and West Atlantic Aviation Company has proposed to the Government of British Guiana to make a demonstration and survey for aerial transportation—an offer probably now accepted. It is proposed to carry mail and parcels.

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CHAPTER XI.

Georgian Series.

As was the case with a number of other Colonies, the distinctive frame design of the preceding issue was retained for the Georgian postage stamps of the Bahamas, the head of the new sovereign alone being substituted. The first value, ½d green, made its debut early in July, 1912, followed by the remainder from 1d to £1 on or about the 30th of that month. They were surface printed as before, by Messrs. De La Rue & Co., in London from the special key-plate appropriated to the stamps of this Colony; the duty only being inserted at a second printing. These stamps were supplied in small sheets of 60 (ten rows of 6) with disconnected marginal lines and plate number "1" in all four corners, whilst in addition a consignment number in black is impressed in the upper right-hand corner. Being inscribed "Postage" only the Bahamas stamps are not available for revenue purposes and do not therefore come under the Crown Agents standard colour scheme. Two very pronounced shades of the 1d value exist. The series was augmented by a 2d value in the latter part of 1918. In that year also a new combined key-plate number "2" was brought into use for printing the Georgian stamps of the Bahamas in sheets of 120, instead of in single panes of 60 as heretofore. The three highest values of the series are on chalk-surfaced paper.

1912. July. ½d pale green, wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14.

1912. July 30th. 1d aniline carmine, wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14.

1d deep rose, wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14.

1918. Dec. ? 2d pearl grey, wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14.

1912. July 30th. 2½d ultramarine, wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14.

1912. July 30th. 4d orange-yellow, wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14.

1912. July 30th. 6d bistre-brown, wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14.

1912. July 30th. 1s grey-black and carmine, wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14.

1912. July 30th. 5s dull purple and blue, wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14.

1912. July 30th. £1 green and black, wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14.

CHAPTER XII.

Commemorative Series 1920.

Under the heading "Bahamas" the semi-official *Colonial Journal* announced in October, 1919, that:—

"A new issue of 'Peace' stamps is in course of preparation. The duties are ½d, 1d, 2d, 3d and 1s, and the design consists of the King's portrait and the Badge and Motto of the Colony. The stamps are of the large duty size, and will be printed by the copper plate process, each value in one colour."

The "Peace" celebration stamps duly materialised on March 3rd, 1920, in an oblong type engraved and recess printed by De La Rue & Co. in London, shewing to the right of the King's head in a medallion the official badge and motto of the Colony. The motto "Expulsis Piratis-Commercia Restituta" is of peculiar interest by reason of its reference to the unenviable reputation of the Bahamas as a haunt of buccaneers in the days before the British occupation. Streamers inscribed with the word "Peace" issue from either side of the Crown surmounting the Royal portrait.

1920. Mar. 3rd. ½d green, wmk. Mult. C A, thick paper, perf. 14.

1920. Mar. 3rd. 1d carmine, wmk. Mult. C A, thick paper, perf. 14.

1920. Mar. 3rd. 2d slate grey, wmk. Mult. C A, thick paper, perf. 14.

1920. Mar. 3rd. 3d deep brown, wmk. Mult. C A, thick paper, perf. 14.

1920. Mar. 3rd. 1s myrtle green, wmk. Mult. C A, thick paper, perf. 14.

CHAPTER XIII.

Red Cross Postage Stamp.

In connection with a Charity Day organized by the local branch of the British Red Cross Society it was decided to make a special issue of 1d stamps overprinted with a Geneva Cross in red and the date "1.1.17". These stamps were provided gratis by the Postal administration, the entire proceeds of their sale going to the Red Cross. The distinguishing overprint was applied in London by lithography and a minor variety with a prolonged stroke to the "7" in the date occurred on the 42nd stamp in each sheet. Two shades are also found. viz., rose-pink and bright red. Owing to delays occasioned by wartime conditions the supply of these stamps failed to reach Nassau until five months after the date planned for the issue, being finally placed on sale on May 18th, 1917. The stamp selected to receive the Red Cross overprint was the 1d on the "Queen's Staircase" type, of which a special printing was made from vignettes plate 2, in conjunction with border plate "2" upon thinner paper, watermarked Multiple Crown C A.

1917. May 18th. 1d overprinted with Geneva Cross and "1.1.17" in red, wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14.

CHAPTER XIV.

War Charity Issue.

A second war charity stamp prepared for issue on the occasion of the centenary of the establishment of British rule in the Islands, suffered the same fate as its Red Cross prototype, its appearance being delayed from June 3rd, 1918, the date of the centenary, until January of the following year. The special imprint consisting of the words "WAR CHARITY" and date 3/6/18 was applied in London, as before, to 240,000 copies of the 1d pictorial stamp, printed from vignette plates 3 and 4 in conjunction with border plate "2".

1919. Jan. ? 1d overprinted WAR CHARITY 3/6/18 in two lines in red, wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14.

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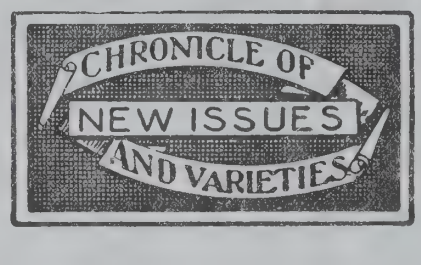

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Several months back, in this column, a short description was given of the wonderful collection of United States stamps gotten together by Mr. Henry C. Gibson of Philadelphia. It is not an exaggeration to say that this collection contained possibly the choicest lot of fine United States stamps ever brought together in two volumes. While it was not as large as the Worthington collection in point of quantity, it surpassed it in point of quality.

This collection changed hands during the early part of February and its choice treasures are now finding new resting places. As a matter of historical record, it may not be amiss to mention some of the choice items. In the case of Postmaster Provisional, it was unsurpassed. It contained the only copy of the blue Alexander known and one of the few copies on buff. It had the only pair of the 5c Baltimore known as well as the finest of the three copies of the 10c in existence. There were several single fives, on cover, of course, as well as most of the Baltimore envelopes. The three sheets of the St. Louis were fully reconstructed, including an irregular block of four as well as a pair on pelure paper. A mint Brattleboro with imprint at bottom, one on cover and also a Milbury. In the way of New Yorks, he had a complete reconstructed sheet made up entirely of vertical and horizontal pairs. There was an irregular block of three, the nearest approach to a block known, as well as three "R. H. M." two being on one cover. There were a couple strips of four on cover, one being used in Boston, if my memory serves me rightly. The superb lot of the issues of 1847 have been retained by Mr. Gibson and these include besides mint blocks of the two values a number of strips on and off cover.

The 1851 issue consisted of the 1c and 3c values in numerous mint strips and blocks, including the rare types, several strips of the 5c, a magnificent mint block of twelve of the 12c with sheet margins, a block of the 10c on cover, pairs of the 24c and 30c as well as the 30c black. Blocks of all of the 1857, including the 24c, 30c and 90c as well as a mint block of the 10c type I showing two stamps recut. A complete set of August issue mint and an extra 5c used, as well as an imperforate pair of the 90c. All of the 1861 like all other issues were represented by mint singles and on these pages were fine blocks of the 3c scarlet, 3c pink and the higher values in similar condition. There was also a block of the 10c August. Most of the 1867 grills were present in blocks and there were singles of the 5c and 30c grilled all over. Most of the 1869 were present in blocks and the inverts were represented by two wonderful copies of each of the 15c and 24c as well as the 30c. Most of the 1870 issues were there in blocks of four or more and every known special print was represented. All of the late issues were present in blocks, including a number of part perfs. One of the two known blocks of four of the 2c Pan-American inverts were on a page with blocks of the 1c and 4c. Mr. Gibson also obtained a block of the 24c Aeroplane invert and a truly wonderful block of the 5c error imperforate, a true rarity indeed. While I have had the pleasure of seeing the collection a number of times, I am sure my memory has overlooked some of the other pieces worthy of mention but these few notes will give an idea of what the Gibson collection contained. I overlooked mentioning that with few exceptions the Departments were all there in blocks and the $10 State was represented by an entire sheet.

In the first issue of the *Collectors Club Philatelist*, Mr. George B. Sloane presents an article upon the 1901 Pan-American issue of more than passing interest. His chapter on the inverts contained much information brought together in print for the first time. He tells us that possibly 700 copies of the 1c invert were found, the first discovered coming from Bessemer, Alabama, where they were used by a small jeweler. Mr. J. W. Scott made an additional find in a Connecticut town. Of the 2c, which is in the carmine shade, but 55 copies are

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5c red brown	2.50	5.00	10.00
5c brown (fair .50)	.75	1.25	2.50
5c brown unused	*1.00	2.00	5.00
10c green	.25	.50	1.00
12c black	.50	1.25	3.00
15c black	.50	1.25	3.00
24c red lilac (Fair .50)	3.00	6.00	10.00
24c lilac	.50	1.25	3.00
30c orange	.50	2.50	5.00
90c blue	1.50	10.00	25.00
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2c black either grille	.40	.75	2.00
1c blue 9x13	.50	1.50	3.00
3c rose either grille	.05	.15	.50
5c brown 9x13	5.00	7.00	12.00
10c green 11x13	1.00	2.00	5.00
10c green 9x13	1.00	1.50	4.00
12c black 9x13	1.00	2.00	5.00
15c black 9x13	.75	2.00	4.00
15c black 11x13	..	3.00	5.00
24c lilac 9x13	..	10.00	17.50
30c orange 9x13	1.00	3.50	..
90c blue 9x13	10.00	20.00	..

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known, these having been located in the Brooklyn Post Office by a party who had noted a used copy on the mail. Mr. Sloane mentions that someone recalls seeing this error in the scarlet and black shade but its present whereabouts is unknown. We were not so careful about noting shades a number of years back and it is doubtful if such a variety is known. The 4c was supposedly found in the regular stock of the Bureau and turned over to the Third Assistant Postmaster-General. He distributed 106 copies, most of them being overprint "Specimen". A sheet unsurcharged was turned over to the Museum for the government collection and I believe 97 of these were exchanged for other varieties. I say 97 for the museum regulations require that three copies of all varieties on hand be retained. This means that possibly 100-115 of this variety exists without specimen.

Mr. George P. Smith has located a new provisional envelope with the Omaha overprint while Mr. E. J. Newcomer has shown us one from Seattle.

1920-21, 2c on 3c Provisional Envelopes.
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We wish to thank Messrs. C. A. Nast and John G. Tyler for notes of interest.

ANGOLA.—The Economist Stamp Co. submit the following new colors in the 1913 set. 5c light blue, 6c light violet, 7c ultramarine, 12c olive brown and 15c red brown, 30c dark green, 40c pale blue, 60c dark blue, 80c magenta, 1e dull red and 2e violet brown.

BELGIUM.—Mr. Henry Hooreman sends us under date of Feb. 11th, copies of a new 1fr stamp. The stamp is in the design of Scott's A56 and of dark brown color.

CONGO.—Mr. Henry Hooremen send to us the following surcharged stamps of this country: 50c, No. 60, surcharged "5c" at each side in black; 5c, No. 55, surcharged "10c" at the top in red; 40c, No. 59, overprinted "25c" in centre in red; 10c, No. 56, surcharged "30c" at top in black and 25c, No. 58, surcharged "50c" at top in red.

Bright & Son write us "On examining some sheets of the Belgium Congo Provisionals overprinted on 1910 issue we find the following varieties:—15c on 50c, stop omitted in first "C". This occurs 3 times in the sheet, Nos. 41, 47 and 48.

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EGYPT.—Mr. W. Dodge calls attention to the 5m stamp which is now being printed in a light rose shade.

FRENCH GUIANA. — The Economist Stamp Co. inform us of the following changes in color of the stamps of this colony of the 1905-7 type: 5c dull yellow, 10c green, 25c purple, 30c red, 40c black, 50c blue.

FRENCH GUINEA. — The Economist Stamp Co. advise of the following new colors in the 1913-17 set: 5c violet brown and green, 10c yellow green and grey green, 25c black and purple, 30c orange and red and 50c bright blue and dark blue.

FRENCH INDIA.—The Economist Stamp Co. send us for chronicle the following new colors of the 1914 issue of stamps: 2c green and lilac, 5c red lilac and grey, 10c green and black, 25c bright blue and orange, 30c red and grey and 50c bright blue and dark blue.

GABON. — The Economist Stamp Co. submit to us for chronicle the following stamps of the 1911 type in new colors: 5c yellow and grey, 10c light green and grey green, 25c greenish blue and grey, 30c dark red and orange red, 45c dark grey and red and 50c light blue and dark blue.

GERMANY.—Mr. Victor Seitz calls our attention to the new 2m stamp of the post horn type. The color is purple and red violet.

ICELAND.—Mr. W. T. Wilson has submitted to us for chronicle, a copy of the 25a Kings Christian IX and Frederick, VIII, overprinted "20" in the centre and at the base "aur" in black.

MAURITIUS.—Mr. R. Roberts informs us that the 10R stamp has been issued in bright emerald green, pale green back on old watermarked CA paper.

MALTA.—Mr. Louis Carrabott under date of Jan. 23rd, advises that the G. P. O. issued the 2½d stamps surcharged

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*Kedah—40c, No. 9, **obsolete & scarce** .38
*Fiji—2d K. E., No. 61 ..... .15
*Fiji—4d K. E., No. 64 ..... .30
*Fiji—5d K. E., No. 65 ..... .35
*Fiji—½d K. E., No. 70 ..... .12
*Fiji—1d K. E., No. 73 ..... .06
*Fiji—2½d K. E., No. 74 ..... .12
*Fiji—6d K. E., No. 75 ..... .30
*Fiji—1sh K. E., No. 76 ..... .60
*Gambia—2d K. E., No. 58 ..... .45
*Gambia—3d K. E., No. 59 ..... .30
*Gambia—4d K. E., No. 60 ..... .45
*Gambia—5d K. E., No. 61 ..... .60
*Gambia—6d K. E., No. 62 ..... .60
*Gambia—7½d K. E., No, 63 ..... .75
*Gambia—10d K. E., No. 64 ..... .90
*Gambia—1sh K. E., No. 65 ..... 1.20
*Memel—**on France**, 5pf to 20M, 13 vars., many obsolete ..... .60
*Marianna Is.—3pf to 80pf, 9 vars., Cat. Value $1.05 ..... .30
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*Straits—30c K. E., No. 140 ..... .25
*Straits—50c K. E., No. 141 ..... .40
*Straits—$1.00 K. E., No. 142 ..... .90
*Straits—$2.00 K. E., No. 143 ..... 1.50
*Straits—45c K. E., No. 148 ..... .35
*Straits—4c K. E., No. 149 ..... .12
*Trinidad—4d, No. 102, **scarce stamp**... .45
Zanzibar—2r, No. 151, **obsolete & scarce** .85
Mauritius—15c, No. 126, Cat. 25c .... .09
Mauritius—15c, No. 133, Cat. 30c .... .09
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*10c, No. 203 .... .05
*15c, No. 204 .... .08
*20c, No. 205 .... .10
*30c, No. 206 .... .15
*40c, No. 207 .... .20
*50c, No. 208 .... .25
*1c, No. 209 ..... .50
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*2½r, No. 54 ..... .10
*5r, No. 55 ..... .10
*10r, No. 56 ..... .13
*15r, No. 57 ..... .20
1894-98
1c, No. 9 ..... *.20
2c, No. 10 ..... *.35
½c on 3c, No. 21 *.06
5c on 5c, No. 25 .15
1c on 1c, No. 35 *.13
*2c on 2c, No. 36 .12
*5c on 5c, No. 38 .50
2c on 2c, No. 43 *.22
1c on 3c, No. 44 .09
2c, No. 52 ..... .05
$1, No. 72 ..... .35
1902-9
20c, No. 82 ..... .04
50c, No. 84 ..... .04
4c, No. 91 ..... .05
7c, No. 93 ..... *.10
7c, No. 98 ..... .06
1912 Surcharged.
½c, No. 119 ..... *.02
1c, No. 120 ..... *.02
*2c, No. 121 ..... .03
*3c, No. 122 ..... .03
*4c, No. 123 ..... .04
*7c, No. 125 ..... .10
*10c, No. 126 .... .10
*16c, No. 127 .... .15
*20c, No. 128 .... .15
30c, No. 129 ..... .08
50c, No. 130 ..... .08
30c, No. 144 ..... .10
$1, No. 146 ..... .20
1912 Sun Yat Sen.
*1c, No. 149 ..... .05
*2c, No. 150 ..... .05
3c, No. 151 ..... *.05
*25r on200r (58) .25
*20c, No. 110 .... .10
*30c, No. 111 .... .15
*40c, No. 112 .... .20
*50c, No. 113 .... .25
*1c, No. 114 ..... .50
*50r, No. 118 .... .15
*75r, No. 120 .... .75
*100r, No. 121.... .30
*200r, No. 122.... .50
*50r, No. 124 .... .50
*75r, No. 125 .... .50
50r on 65r (126) 1.00

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10c, No. 154 ..... .10
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*$5, No. 160 ..... 3.00
1912 Yuan Shu Kai.
1c, No. 161 ..... *.05
*2c, No. 162 ..... .05
3c, No. 163 ..... *.05
*5c, No. 164 ..... .10
10c, No. 166 ..... *.10
*20c, No. 168 .... .30
*50c, No. 169 .... 1.00
*$2, No. 171 ..... 2.50
1913-18
6c, No. 182 ..... .03
7c, No. 183 ..... .03
8c, No. 184 ..... .03
15c, No. 186 ..... .07
16c, No. 187 ..... .07
20c, No. 188 ..... .03
30c, No. 189 ..... .03
50c, No. 190 ..... .04
$1, No. 191 ..... .06
$2, No. 192 ..... .25
Postage Due.
*½c, No. 301 ..... .12
*1c, No. 302 ..... .12
*2c, No. 303 ..... .12
*5c, No. 305 ..... .12
10c, No. 306 ..... .12
*½c, No. 315 ..... .13
30c, No. 331 ..... .38
*½c, No. 332 ..... .38
½c, No. 332 ..... .25
*10c, No. 338 .... .10
*20c, No. 339 .... .20
*30c, No. 340 .... .30

JAPAN.

1876-96
8s, No. 62 ..... .05
50s, No. 72 ..... .30
?2s, No. 85 ..... .05
*5s, No. 86 ..... .10
2s, No. 87 ..... .05
5s, No. 88 ..... .06
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1905-21
3s, No. 110 ..... .10
1½s, No. 111 ..... .07
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10y, No. 114 ..... .15
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PERSIA.

1882-84
5c, No. 50 ..... .20
10c, No. 51 ..... .13
25c, No. 52 ..... .13
5c, No. 53 ..... .05
10fr, No. 59 ..... .50
1894
1c to 10c, Nos. 90 to 94, each ..... *.02
16c, No. 95 ..... *.06
1k, No. 96 ..... .03
2k, No. 97 ..... .03
5k, No. 98 ..... .04
50k, No. 100 ..... *.25
1898-99
1c to 12c, Nos. 104 to 111, each .... *.02
*16c, No. 112 .... .05
*1k, No. 113 ..... .03
*2k, No. 114 ..... .03
*3k, No. 115 ..... .04
*4k, No. 116 ..... .04
*5k, No. 117 ..... .04
*10k, No. 118 .... .04
*50k, No. 119 .... .13
5k, No. 133 ..... .10
50k, No. 135 ..... .25
1c, No. 136 ..... .02
2c, No. 137 ..... .02
3c, No. 138 ..... .06
4c, No. 139 ..... .06
8c, No. 141 ..... .06
12c, No. 143 ..... .03
2k, No. 146 ..... .03
3k, No. 147 ..... .06
4k, No. 148 ..... .06
5k, No. 149 ..... .06
10k, No. 150 ..... .08
50k, No. 151 ..... .15
1902 Provisoire.
1c, No. 173 ..... .03
2c, No. 174 ..... .03
3c, No. 175 ..... .13
4c, No. 176 ..... .13
5c, No. 177 ..... .03
8c, No. 178 ..... .10
10c, No. 179 ..... .02
12c, No. 180 ..... .03
16c, No. 181 ..... .10
1k, No. 182 ..... *.03
2k No. 183 ..... .03
3k, No. 184 ..... .10
4k, No. 185 ..... .10
5k, No. 186 ..... .10
10k, No. 187 ..... .10
50k, No. 190 ..... .20
*5c on 8c, No. 206 .30
1902 Teheran.
*3c, No. 249 ..... .03
*1c, No. 280 ..... .03
*2c, No. 281 ..... .03
*5c, No. 283 ..... .03
*10c, No. 284 .... .03
*12c, No. 285 .... .04

PERSIA—Continued

*1k, No. 286 ..... .04
*2k, No. 287 ..... .06
*10k, No. 289 .... .08
*50k, No. 290 .... .15
*5k on 5k, No.314 .15
1903
1c to 5c, Nos. 353 to 356, each .... *.02
*10c, No. 357 .... .04
*12c, No. 358 .... .05
*1k, No. 359 ..... .05
*2k, No. 360 ..... .06
*5k, No. 361 ..... .15
*10k, No. 362 .... .30
1903 Imperforate.
10t, No. 378 ..... .15
*20t, No. 379 .... .25
*25t, No. 380 .... .25
*50t, No. 381 .... .25
*100t, No. 382 ... .25
1903 Surcharged.
*4c on 5k, No. 383 .08
*8c on 5k, No. 384 .08
*16c on 5k,No.386 .15
*3k on 5k, No. 387 .15
*4k on 5k, No.388 .20
*2t on 5k, No. 389 .30
*2t on 10k, No.390 .30
*3t on 5k, No. 391 .30
*3t on 10k,No.392 .30
1904-6
*20k, No. 403 .... .60
*30k, No. 404 .... .75
*1c on 1k, No. 411 .30
*1c on 2k, No. 413 .40
*1c on 1k, No. 4[illegible]
*1c on 2k, No. 4[illegible]
1909
1c to 6c, Nos. 44 to 451, each ...
1911-13
1c to 6c, Nos. 48 to 484, each ...
9c, No. 485 .....
10c, No. 486 ....
1k, No. 489 .....
*5k, No. 492 ....
10k, No. 493 ....
5c, No. 531 .....
6c, No. 532 .....
24c, No. 534 ....
1913-19
3c on 26c, No. 5[illegible]
1c on 5c, No. 5[illegible]
2c, No. 544 .....
3c, No. 545 .....
6c, No. 546 .....
1c on 10c, No. 5[illegible]
3c on 10c, No. 5[illegible]
5c on 1k, No. 59[illegible]
6c on 12c, No. 6[illegible]
1908 Parcel Pos[illegible]
1c to 26c, Nos. 7 to 708, each ..
1k, No. 709 .....
2k, No. 710 .....
3k, No. 711 .....
4k, No. 713 .....
5k, No. 714 .....
10k, No. 715 ....

CRETE.

1898-1909
*10pa, No. 2 ..... .10
*20pa, No. 3 ..... .10
*10pa, No. 4 ..... .10
*20pa, No. 5 ..... .10
51. No. 51 ..... *.03
*51/20l, No. 98 .06
*11, No. 99 .....
*11, No. 100 ....
*21 on 20l, No.10[illegible]
1908-10 Official.
101, No. 302 ....
101, No. 304 ....
301, No. 305 ....

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1877-1918
*2c, No. 1 ..... .06
*10c, No. 2 ..... .50
25c, No. 26 ..... .08
50c, No. 27 ..... .25
1 lira, No. 28 ...
*25c, No. 33 ....
15c on 20c,No.4[illegible]
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MOROCCO AGENCIES.—Mr. R. Roberts reports the appearance of a 4d and 6d King George stamp for use in this territory.

MOZAMBIQUE.—Bright & Son inform us that they have received new colors in the Ceres type. The value and name in each case is in black.

Perf. 14.—3c orange, 7c pale blue, 30c dull green, 30c blue lilac on black and 1 escudo rose red.

Perf. 11½.—4c rose, 4½ drab, 6c pale mauve, 12c brown, 60c brown on pink, 80c purple black on blue and 2 escudos, violet on pink.

RUSSIA.—Mr. Karl Koslowski submits to us a set of six values of a new set of Bolshevik stamps which are of three designs. The values and colors are as follows: 100r orange, 200r brown, 250r grey lilac, 300r green, 500r blue and 1000r rose red. The first two values have what seems to represent the farming life in the centre as does the 300r stamp, while the 250r shows a harp and a book and the last two values portray an anvil and hammer.

Mr. Koslowski also submits to us a copy of an 2250r stamp in red shade and showing a view of a river with transportation thereon. Our correspondent informs us that the three lines of native characters mean "Postage stamp" "Help the Hungary" and "in Povolga". Povolga means the River Volga basin or shores of the Volga now so terribly devastated by the pestilence and hunger.

SEYCHELLES.—Mr. R. Roberts notes the following new issues for this colony: 18c on new yellow paper and also on experimental paper, 25c on both papers as the 18c, 5c pale brown. old watermark. 1r 50c pale lilac on blue, yellowish back, also dark purple on deep blue, both being on old watermark paper. 75c bright emerald green all through.

SIERRA LEONE.—Mr. J. A. Galbraith has shown us the 2sh stamp printed on the script watermarked paper.

UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.—Mr. R. Roberts advises that the 2d stamp has been issued coil perforation 14 x imperforate.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—C. D. Skinner, Jr., secretary of the R. I. Philatelic Society, informs us of the death of D. A. Webber, which occurred Feb. 10 at Corey Hill Hospital, Boston. Mr. Webber was a member of the A. P. S., and the R. I. Philatelic Society. He joined the latter Jan. 11, 1907, and served as its president in 1914-15. Mr. Webber was compelled to undergo an operation, from which he did not recover. He was fifty-eight years old. His interest in philately and all that pertained to it was strong and he will be greatly missed in Rhode Island philately.

—A. C. LeDuc informs us that it will be well for dealers to refrain from making approval sendings to Edward F. Donohue, 30½ Park Ave., Auburn, N. Y. He is not in a physical condition such as would warrant the receipt of approvals.

—We are indebted to Wm. M. McFarlan for the information that beginning March 1, the domestic rate of 2c per ounce or fraction thereof will apply to letters mailed in the U. S., destined for Bermuda.

—The United Stamp Co., Marquette Bdg., Chicago, Ill., has just issued their 1922 catalog and price-list. It lists United States postage, departments, postage dues, newspaper stamps, Confederates, revenues, U. S. possessions, West Indies and British North America. It includes a complete list of sets, packets and philatelic supplies. Price 25c. This is a most useful book and will doubtless have a large circulation. Its more than one hundred pages is crowded with a mass of philatelic matter.

—The Mission Stamp Co. announces that the address of the firm will hereafter be San Diego, Cal.

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Twin City Philatelic Society ([illegible] neapolis, St. Paul). Annual me[illegible] and banquet held in January. Fo[illegible] ing officers elected for 1922: Pres. J[illegible] B. Beals, St. Paul; Vice. Pres., E[illegible] Oleson, Minneapolis; Sec.-Treas., E[illegible] M. Frankel, St. Paul; Auction [illegible] Gerald H. Burgess, Minneapolis. M[illegible] ings are held semi-monthly. Societ[illegible] ing 100%, and many new me[illegible] admitted. Programs contain s[illegible] talks, auctions, exhibitions.—E. OLESON.

ROUMANIAN COUNTERFEITS.

Recently Iole Dione advertised [illegible] Roumanian sets which turned out [illegible] counterfeits. They were purcl[illegible] from one Lommel in Paris and[illegible] fairly good imitations. Mr. D[illegible] writes that he will refund to all [illegible] chasers and if any of our readers a[illegible] doubt as to the genuineness of st[illegible] purchased they should take it up [illegible] our advertiser at once. The se[illegible] question was the Roumania Charit[illegible] sue, Scott's 351 to 362. We are [illegible] formed that Alfred Rasmu[illegible] wholesale dealer of San Jose, Cal. [illegible] also handled these sets (no doub[illegible] advertently) and both dealer and [illegible] lector should get wise as to the [illegible] tence of these counterfeits. We ar[illegible] debted to the Geo. W. Linn Co., a[illegible] original source of information.

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William Lincoln, aetat 78.—But in the passing of William Simpson Lincoln on Tuesday, January 3rd, aged 78, we lose the last living link with the very earliest period of stamp collecting. The veteran dealer, whose surname was as much a household name in philately as that of Gibbons, Errington and Martin, and Whitfield King, was born in London in 1844. He claimed to have been collecting stamps in the early 'fifties, and among other proud claims he made in later life was that he was the earliest of the great stamp dealers and that he was the first to open a stamp shop in London or anywhere else in the world.

Collecting in 1854.—It is difficult to accept all these interesting claims without examination and modification. In recent years Mr. Lincoln told us he still had by him a little book inscribed in schoolboy handwriting:—"Collection of stamps made by W. Lincoln, 1854." There was also a mention of 210 varieties, and a further memorandum: "1855, 310 varieties." In 1856, he recalled, he found for the first time a friend with whom he could exchange stamps. From that beginning he started to deal.

Mr. Lincoln did not explain from what sources he derived the first 210 varieties, or how he added another 100 in the year 1855, and the suggestion that he was dealing soon after 1856 leads one to speculate on whom he had for customers at a time when stamp collecting had not yet made its appearance as an organised pursuit.

One of the Pioneer Philatelists.—One of his customers was the Rev. F. J. Stainforth, of All Hallows, Staining, and Mr. Lincoln said he could fix a date, 1862, of one of his visits to the Rectory. The reverend gentleman would always welcome him.

"If I met with anything which I thought he would like, I took it to him. One day when I had some nice things, I called and showed them to him, and he bought the lot and then told me to help myself to the amount from a large silver inkstand, in which there was plenty of gold and silver money. I took the amount from it, and showed it to him, but he would not take notice, but simply said, 'Am sure you will take the right sum.' The Rev. Stainforth was the dearest man that could be."

First Printed Records of Lincoln. — The precise historian looks for definite documental evidence of the beginnings of our pursuit, and no advertisements of a trade character are known to have appeared in any journal prior to one of H. Barber's in the *Boys' Own Magazine* for November, 1861. From that date onwards we can trace advertisements of the earliest dealers, Mount Brown, J. J. Woods, Henry R. Victor, H. Stafford Smith, and Edward L. Pemberton, and —for the first time in December, 1862— of "Wm. Lincoln, jr., at W. S. Lincoln & Sons."

He appears to have published a list of stamps for sale in 1863, for it was advertised in the March number of the *Boys' Own Magazine* in that year, but the first printed price list extant is of the following year:—"Priced Catalogue of Foreign, Colonial, and English Postage Stamps offered for sale by William Lincoln, Jun., (At W. S. Lincoln and Sons), 462, New Oxford Street, W. C., London."

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Sir Arthur Rumbold was in the Virgin Islands in 1866 when the first lithographed "Virgins" were issued, and he sent a couple of pounds' worth of each denomination to William Lincoln, who remitted in cash for the amount of the face value.

A Trip to Paris after the Siege.—In 1871 Lincoln made preparations for a visit to Paris after the siege, but luckily for him, passport and other delays prevented him from getting there until after the Commune. He told his experiences in Paris in an article "Random Reminiscences of a Philatelic Veteran" in the *Stamp Lover* (January, 1913). He managed to buy a good lot of stamps in Paris and brought a big quantity of the then current unused home with him, which he found unsaleable at the time. He could not get the square unpaid stamps in Paris, but managed to get a fair supply of them at Rouen on the way home.

Ionian Islands Stamps as Wall Paper.—In 1872 Lincoln moved from New Oxford Street to a fine shop at 239, High Holborn. "This," he said, "was the first stamp shop in London, or anywhere in the world," a rather broad statement which we think would not pass without challenge. Here in the early days Lincoln covered two unsightly pillars in the shop with sheets of unused Ionian Island stamps, of which he had a great quantity, which he used to sell at 1s the set of three. Later on, some reconstruction being required, the pillars were removed, but by this time the value of the Ionians had risen so that it paid Lincoln handsomely for his wallpaper and he had the stamps carefully removed from the discarded pillars and "blessed the idea which prompted me to put them to that base use".

A Blind Stamp Collector.—Perhaps the most astonishing recollection of the late Mr. Lincoln was that of a blind stamp collector:—

"A curious customer I once had (I expect you will hardly believe me) was a blind man who had a little boy to lead him. He would ask for a certain stamp and enquire when I found it if it were a good copy, sometimes also adding, 'I have one, but it is a bad specimen'. He was a man of good education by the way he spoke and remembered all the stamps in his collection. Of course, he must have had someone to tell him about them, but why he took so much interest I could not understand."

It does seem extraordinary that a blind man should take an active interest in stamp collecting, but Mr. Lincoln's experience in this respect is not unique, and other of the older dealers could recall similar incidents of blind customers.

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JONATHAN BRACE CHITTENDEN.

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A Pistol and a Postage Stamp

Jonathan Brace Chittenden, a distinguished Harvard graduate and professor of mathematics at the Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, who wrote the articles on mathematics and quaternions, and like frivolous topics, in the Encyclopedia Americana, has a collection of postage stamps which he began when he was a little boy. When he was ten years old his father bestowed a dollar each upon Jonathan and his younger brother, to spend "as they pleased." The younger brother, doubtless inheriting the taste from his army father, bought a pistol and cartriges, without exciting more than deprecatory comment from the parental benefactor. The future mathematician spent his dollar on a canceled postage stamp, the 90-cent variety with the Lincoln head, printed in two colors and issued in 1869..

The father went up in the air. He pointed out that 90 cents could not represent a dollar, and that, moreover, the stamp was canceled and therefore worthless. The boy never succeeded in explaining what "scarcity value" meant, or even the intrinsic merit of the most artistic set of stamps our Post Office ever issued, before or since. The pistol has long been dust, with, fortunately, no gravestones to commemorate it, but Professor Chittenden still has that stamp. It is possibly worth more canceled than unused and would be hard to find today for $20. He is not afraid to tell his pupils of the educational value of a good hobby, and in this connection it is noteworthy that one of the best books on the American Post Office, with all sorts of side light on our modern history, is the sumptuous catalog of the finest collection of American postage stamps ever made, curiously enough not that of an American but of a Scotsman, the Earl of Crawford. A postage stamp is more than a mere scrap of paper. It has some most interesting economic and financial lessons to teach, both of scarcity value and of what is called "unearned" increment, which cannot justly be called unearned, (as it usually is in the case of land,) where increasing value was intelligently and courageously foreseen.—From "Barron's".

With the advent of the new quarterly magazine to be published under the auspices of the Collectors Club, N. Y. City, it seems very fitting that we should acquaint our readers with the personality of J. Brace Chittenden, who, with H. L. Lindquist constitutes the publication committee. Mr. Chittenden is also secretary of the Collectors Club and one of the board of governors, and this brief sketch will show that he is a man of many honors.

Prof. Chittenden was born at Milford, Conn., in 1864, having on the paternal side Richard H. Chittenden, Captain of the 1st Wisconsin Cavalry and a graduate of Yale. His mother was Lucy Lee Brace, daughter of Rev. Jonathan Brace of Hartford, Conn.

His primary education was at the Polytechnic Institute, Brooklyn. He graduated as a mechanical and also civil engineer from the Worcester Institute in 1888. He received the degree of A. B. at Harvard, class of 1889, founded the Graduate Club of Harvard and edited the University paper at Worcester. In 1890, he received the degree of A. M. from Harvard, the Kirkland traveling Fellowship in 1891 and the Parker Fellowship in 1892. He studied

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in Koenigsburg in East Prussia and received the degree of Ph. D. for mathematics there in 1893.

Prof. Chittenden was instructor in mathematics at Princeton University, 1894 and 1895, and Columbia University and Barnard Colleges 1895 to 1900. He was admitted as a member of the New York bar in 1902. He was elected professor in mathematics at the Polytechnic Institute, Brooklyn, in 1900, and has been at the head of this department for the last twenty-two years.

Our friend in philately is the author of articles on mathematics in the American Encyclopedia, etc. He served as private in the Veteran Corps of Artillery guarding the Aqueduct during the World War. He was chairman of the Citizens' Committee of Brooklyn, to recruit the 14th and 23rd regiments. He was commissioned as First Lieutenant of Infantry and recruited Co. E of the 23rd Regiment three times, and sent the first two companies to the war. He commanded the 3rd in guarding the Aqueduct.

Prof. Chittenden is a member of the Crescent Club of Brooklyn, Harvard Club of New York, Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Society, member of the American Mathematical Society, member of the Royal Philatelic Society of London, of the Sons of the Revolution, the Society of the Colonial Wars, etc.

He began collecting postage stamps in 1874 and has served three terms as president of the Collectors Club. He wrote an article on the stamps of Austria running through two volumes of the *Philatelic Gazette*. He received awards for study of the stamps of Griqualand and the stamps of Austria in the New York Exhibition, 1911. For the Collectors Club Handbook, No. 1, on the 1874-83 issues of Mexico, his entry received the gold medal.

Prof. Chittenden married Evelyn Louise Betts of New York, in 1900 and they have one daughter.

With this brief commentary upon the activities of Prof. Chittenden, we shall have to leave it to a future article to describe some of the philatelic treasures that he must possess. Have we not some New York or Brooklyn reader who will get close to Prof. Chittenden and glean some information concerning what must be a notable collection?

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We have read with interest Mr. Watts' translation from the French on the stamps of the Ex-German Colonies and the news contained therein may be valuable according to the degree of accuracy in the methods employed by the original writer. There is one statement, however, and that a most important one, so obviously misleading, that we must draw attention to it, namely, the test to identify the original surcharges from those which the article calls the re-impressions.

We have never seen these re-impressions and therefore cannot say what degree of intense blackness the surcharges of such re-impressions have, but *we have original registered covers* in our possession since 1901 and the surcharges thereon certainly are *not "dull and gray"* but deep black! In order to be quite clear, let us recapitulate Mr. Watts' translation which says: the only genuine surcharges are those which, on being held almost perpendicularly at an angle———of 80 degrees are "dull and gray." Now our registered cover franked with 16 green 5 pf and 10 rose-carmine 10pf, 1898 issue German offices in China and the surcharges on being held at an angle of 80 degrees or any angle is *not* by any means "dull and gray" but *deep black.*

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We have not seen the re-impressions on which the original writer based his test, but if his said test makes collectors search for "dull and gray" surcharges on the first issues of the Ex-German Colonies, they will have to look for something we have never seen. Let other collectors or dealers who have these issues, especially on covers, look for "dull and gray" surcharges and if they find any, they will indeed have found something "unique" provided it is genuine. So, whatever the difference is, the "dull and gray" test is misleading and inaccurate.

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CHAPTER XV.

Special Delivery Stamps.

Towards the close of the year 1915 a reciprocal arrangement was concluded between the Postmaster of the Bahamas and the Canadian postal Dept. for the exchange of Special Delivery letters, subject to a supplementary fee of 5d or 10 cents. By way of an experiment a small supply of the 10c Canadian Special Delivery stamps were sent to the Post Office at Nassau, in exchange for which ten sheets of the current 5d stamps of the Bahamas locally overprinted SPECIAL DELIVERY was forwarded to the G. P. O. at Ottawa. At first these stamps were not sold over the counter, but were affixed by the postal officials themselves to letters upon which the additional charge had been prepaid in cash, but this restriction was later removed. The overprint was applied at the Government Printing Office, Nassau, in December, 1915, in two lines of black Roman capitals from type set-up to cover a half sheet of 30 stamps (five rows of 6) at each impression. Thus every sheet had to be passed twice through the press. In this way several notable philatelic varieties were evolved in the form of double and inverted overprints, together with an extremely rare error with the overprint omitted entirely, which was found upon one vertical row of 5 stamps only, producing five pairs with and without overprint *se tenant.*

A second local printing of Special Delivery stamps, amounting to 100 sheets of sixty took place in January, 1917. For the purpose of this printing the type was re-set with the word SPECIAL slightly more to the right in relation to DELIVERY than in the original impression. The overprint was set up in a block of 30 subjects as before.

On June 2nd, 1917, a further supply of 5d stamps overprinted SPECIAL DELIVERY in two lines of sans-serif capitals from a stereotype plate of sixty subjects by Messrs. De La Rue & Co., in London, was placed on sale at Nassau, followed on April 17th, 1918, by the same value in new colours with the imprint in tall thin sans-serif capitals in red.

1916. May 1st. 5d overprinted SPECIAL DELIVERY locally in two lines of Roman capitals, wmk. Crown C C, perf. 14.

1917. July 2nd. 5d overprinted SPECIAL DELIVERY in two lines of small black sans-serif capitals in London. Wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14.

1918. April 17th. 5d purple and grey-black, overprinted SPECIAL DELIVERY in two lines of tall sans-serif capitals in red, in London. Wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14.

The vignette plates used for these Special Delivery stamps were 1 and 2 for the 5d C C, 2 for the 5d orange and black, Mult. C A and 2 for the 5d lilac and black.

CHAPTER XVI.

Postal Tax Stamps.

Commencing on February 21st, 1918, a special War Tax upon postal matter passing through the Colonial Post Office of the Bahamas was introduced, as under:—

Additional ½d on all postcards within the British Empire.

Additional 1d on all letters within the British Empire.

Additional 3d on Bills of Lading within the British Empire.

Additional 1s on all incoming and outgoing parcels.

Special stamps to meet these charges were provided by overprinting corresponding denominations of the current postage stamp series of the Colony with the inscription "WAR TAX" at the Government Printing Office, Nassau. The type was the same as that employed for the locally overprinted Special Delivery stamp, viz., small Roman capitals and was set up to overprint sixty stamps at each impression, except in the case of the 3d. The overprint is found *inverted* on the 1d and 3d values and *double* on all except the 3d, for which a separate setting of type, covering 30 stamps only, was utilized. This stamp exists, however, overprinted "WAR" only, the word "TAX" having failed to print.

The local printing was of a temporary and provisional character pending receipt of a supply of War Tax stamps, which had been requisitioned by cable from London so soon as Taxes had been approved by the Governor of the Bahamas. Meanwhile, sales of the local war tax stamps were restricted in order that the supply might last out. The numbers of the locally overprinted "War Tax" stamps were as follows:

½d green (120,000).
1d deep rose (180,000).
3d purple on *lemon* (40,000).
1s black and carmine (1,200).

Unforeseen delay in the arrival of London overprinted stamps necessitated a further local printing in the case of the 1d value, the available supply of which had been exhausted. This time the recess printed pictorial stamp showing a view of the famous "Queen's Staircase" near Nassau, was adapted to War Tax use by means of a similar overprint, and in this form was issued to the public on July 10th, 1918. It was on sale in limited quantities only, and was withdrawn on the 20th of the month, when the London printed "WAR TAX" series was issued. This consisted of the same types and values as the local series, but overprinted in tall thin sans-serif capitals in black or red by Messrs. De La Rue & Co. A third (London) printing was made with the words "WAR TAX" in two lines, and brought into use on July 14th, 1919, remaining current until the repeal of the War Tax in the following year. The remainders of all War Tax stamps remaining on hand were officially destroyed during the Summer of 1920.

(a) Colonial overprint Roman capitals.

1918. Feb. 21st. ½d yellow-green, wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14.

1918. Feb. 21st. 1d deep rose, wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14.

1918. Feb. 21st. 3d purple on *yellow,* wmk. Mult. C A, perf. 14.

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RELATIVE SCARCITY OF USED BLOCKS OF 19TH CENTURY U. S. STAMPS.

By HUBERT LYMAN CLARK.

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1883.—The 2c is quite common in used blocks, but the 4c is really rare. A block of four of the 2c is hardly worth more than a quarter, but a good block of the 4c is a good bargain at three dollars.

1887.—The 1c is fairly common, the 2c less so, and the 3c vermilion, used during the period when current, is a rarity. But I have seen several blocks of the 3c used since 1900, and of course, these are "philatelically used" and their value depends wholly on whether you want such a block at all! A block of the 1c or 2c is worth from a quarter up and a satisfactory block of the 3c is easily worth two or three dollars.

1888.—There is no doubt that the 90c is the commonest stamp of this issue in used blocks. Blocks of four are common and larger blocks, up to 18 at least, are well known. The other three stamps 4c, 5c and 30c, are much less common and are about equally hard to find. Either the 4c or 5c is worth three dollars in a good block, and the 30c is worth eight or ten. A good block of four of the 90c is not worth over $7.50, but will often bring full catalogue and more at auction, so few collectors realizing how common such blocks are.

1890.—In this issue, used blocks of four are fairly common, only two or three of the values being very elusive in this form. In commonness, the values run 2c carmine, 1c, 90c, 5c, 3c, 4c, 2c lake, 6c, 8c, 10c, 15c and 30c. The last three blocks are really rarities and are very desirable pieces. The 2c carmine is not worth more than ten cents in an average used block, the 1c we may call worth twenty cents, the 90c is worth three or four dollars and no more, the 5c about twenty cents, the 3c the same, the 4c a quarter, the 2c lake a quarter, the 6c about a dollar, and the 8c nearly as much. A perfect block of the 10c is not too dear at a dollar, while the 15c at three-fifty and the 30c at five dollars are not unreasonable. The 90c is offered very frequently in auctions in blocks of four and more and is often described as "rare," but it is in reality one of the easiest of 19th century U. S. stamps to obtain in a good block.

1893. Columbian Issue.—Used blocks of this issue are not hard to find and if one is not particular about the cancellation, all of the high values are obtainable in blocks both off and on cover. As is well known, there was much speculation in this issue when it first appeared, and some buyers believed that the dollars values would ultimately be worth more used than unused. Hence, they had them either cancelled-by-favor or used them, sometimes in blocks, on letters addressed to themselves. Blocks thus laid away for a rise in value are often easy to recognize by the cancellation, which is commonly a single central postmark of concentric circles or a similarly placed, neat date cancellation. Really postally used blocks commonly have a registration cancellation and are generally more or less heavily cancelled.

In rarity of really postally used blocks, I rank this series as follows: 2c, 1c, 3c, 4c, 5c, 6c, 8c, 10c, 15c, 30c, 50c, $2, $1, $4, $5, $3. Up to and including the 30c, double catalogue is a fair price for average blocks. The 50c is hardly worth any more than the 30c, and it is doubtful if a block at auction would bring double catalogue. To judge from auction prices, the dollar values are not popular in used blocks and they rarely bring over full catalogue, even when superb. It is not unfair, then, to say that the value of an average block of 4 of the $1 or $2 is about twelve dollars, of the $3 nearly twenty dollars, of the $4 twenty-five dollars and of the $5 not over thirty dollars.

1894 and 1895.—I make no distinction between these two issues, the watermark is often so hard to make out in used stamps. Most of the values are fairly common in used blocks, but a few are very hard indeed to find. In rarity they rank about as follows: 2c, 1c, 3c, 5c, 4c, 8c, 6c, 50c, 10c, $1, $2, $5 and 15c. Oddly enough, I do not recall having ever seen the 15c in a used block. At any rate, I am sure that I have sought in vain for one during the past five years. A fair valuation of the blocks would be, for the 2c, five cents; 1c, five cents; 3c, fifteen cents; 5c, ten cents; 4c, ten cents; 8c, twenty cents; 6c, a quarter; 50c, two dollars; 10c, fifty cents; $1, five dollars; $2, twenty dollars; $5, thirty dollars; 15c, five dollars.

1898.—In this issue the 15c is the rarity and the 10c is uncommon, while the lower values are by no means hard to find. Used blocks of four rank in commonness: 1c, 2c, 5c, 4c, 6c, 10c, 15c, and in value: 2c orange-red, ten cents; 1c, ten cents; 2c rose-carmine, a dollar; 5c, a quarter; 4c, a quarter; 6c, thirty-five cents; 10c, seventy-five cents; 15c, two dollars.

1898. Omaha Issue.—This issue is uncommon in used blocks, especially the higher values. Apparently, speculators having gotten badly "stung" on the Columbian issue, let this issue alone, and if any were philatelically used in blocks, they have never come my way. The 2c is not particularly rare in used blocks, and the 1c is hardly more so, but the 4c, 5c, 8c and 10c are very rarely seen used in multiple, and blocks of the 50c and dollar values are very great rarities; which is the rarest of the three it is hard to say, but probably the two dollar. I should value used blocks of this set as follows: 2c, fifteen cents; 1c, twenty cents; 4c, a dollar; 5c and 8c, a dollar and a half; 10c, a dollar; 50c, fifteen dollars; $1, twenty-five dollars; $2, fifty dollars.

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442	— 1901-05, 5pa-50p, fine .....(110-127)	6.13	
443	— 1913, 2pa-50p, fine .....(237-246)	3.97	
444	— 1913, 2pa-100p, very fine..(254-269)	9.20	
445	— 1914, 5pa-10p, very fine....(278-284)	17.10	
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AUSTRALIAN WATERMARKS.

By L. H. WARDWELL.

Two watermarks not mentioned in Scott's catalog came to light in the examination of a lot of Australian stamps recently. Australian Commonwealth, 1sh blue green (Scott's type A1), shows a watermark consisting of a straight line running vertically through the middle of the stamp. On one side of this line are parts of capital letters which look like the lower parts of WE and a portion of a capital N, making NWE. On the other side of the line there is what appears to be part of the regular watermark crown and A, but not enough to determine which of the three 1 shilling stamps this one is.

Scott's catalog mentions the fact that certain stamps of New South Wales issued in 1906, show portions of some sheets with COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA watermarked in the sheet in addition to the regular watermark, but no mention is made of any such thing in connection with the Commonwealth stamps.

A copy came to light of the 1d red, New South Wales, 1882-88, Scott's No. 61, perforated 12½ x 13, and having a square frame about the watermark crown and NSW. The whole of the frame is not shown on my copy, the stamp cutting if off so much that part of the crown and part of the W are missing; but the angle of the frame is a right angle and the lines of it are parallel with the sides of the stamp.

Two sketches are enclosed to show these peculiar watermarks.

A WELL DESERVED TRIBUTE.

(The article herewith is written by C. Lat. Wilhelm, editor of the "Baltimore American" stamp department. We can heartily commend what Mr. Wilhelm has written and at the same time express our admiration for the work he has done during the years he has been a philatelic contributor to the "Sunday American." It is a form of publicity that should be made use of. Is it speaking too plainly for us to make the observation that the A.P.S. should do something more than merely pass resolutions endorsing publicity of this character?—W. O. W.)

I have been reading with great interest, various plans advanced to put out publicity for philately. They are all interesting, but all have one drawback, they cost money.

But there is one method that costs nothing but the time of some one willing to give it, and that is a stamp column in a Sunday newspaper. I speak of this method particularly because of my own column in the *Baltimore American,* which is now entering upon its fourth year and I think and hope, has done much for philately in Baltimore and the state.

Now on every newspaper staff there must be one man, or woman, interested in philately, who could run a column such as mine. There must, of course, be found a sympathetic editor, but if the matter is presented properly, the editor will see the advantage to the paper in such a column. I will gladly advise any newspaper man or woman who wants any such little advice as I could give, along this line.

And, in this connection, permit me to pay publicly a tribute to Mr. James G. Nelson, editor of *The Sunday American,* who, although not a stamp collector, saw at once the value to the paper, from a "department" viewpoint, of such a column and has steadily stood by me, in publishing it. With such men as Mr. Nelson, a stamp column will be a success in any paper.

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Nos. 327, 329, 330, 331, 333, 334 ...

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STAMPS OF THE IRISH FREE ST

We have received from R. Rob London, England, specimens of the Irish stamps, and information conc ing the issue, which will be of pe nent value. The current set of En stamps from ½d to 10sh has been charged with the Gaelic overprint cated last week. There are distinct types of the surcharge. 1 shows five lines of overprint o ½, 1, 2½, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10d and an figures of date wihtout stop. Ty has five lines of overprint on 1½, 1sh and block type 1922 with Type 3 has four lines of overprin the 2sh 6d, 5sh, 10sh and antique fig and the surcharging differently sp These are all in settings of twent peated. The stamps were issued Fe

Scandinavians - Orientals - Colonials - For Every Collector

As March is the collectors' gala month, the time when interest in philately is at its height, it is necessary for us to meet this situation with a class of stamps in full accordance. Our idea of such an ambition is U. S., Br. North America, etc., but our last page advertisement offering these stamps was nothing but a deluge—and with our enormous stock—we were obliged to refund on stamp after stamp. All this at a time when business was supposedly bad. Business in this line will never be bad if you have appealing items to offer, and we are sure our supplementary choices listed below are in that class. Under various headings we offer you stamps of all grades from entire Scandinavia, the missing numbers from China and the Far East, used Colonials for the collector of small means, Old European rarities, and a miscellaneous assortment second to none. Not a bloomer on the entire page—It commands your attention.

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	1851, 4rs brown	.08
	1853-7, 2s blue	.45
	4s brown	.06
	8s green	.90
	1858, 4s brown	.05
	8s green	1.00
	1864-5, 2s blue	.30
	3s red violet	.60
	4s red	.05
	1870-1, 2s gray & ultr.	.07
	3s gray & lilac	.60
	8s gray & brown	.18
	16s gray & green	.90
*	1874-9, 5 ore rose & blue	.40
	1901, 24 ore brown	.04
-6	1901, 4 and 15 ore	.08
-67	1904-05, 1 to 100 ore complete	.32
-77	1907-12, 5 to 100 ore	.12
	1912, 35 on 20 ore rose & gray	.22
	1912, 5kr dark red	.65
-98	1913-15, 5 ore to 2kr	.35
	80 ore blue green	.14
	5kr dark red	.65
-112	1918, 27 ore on 1 ore to 10kr	8.50
-122	Same, with crosses	2.65
-129	1918-19, 7 to 50 ore	.22
-2	1919-20, 10 to 15 ore	.08
*	1kr yellow brown	.28
-139	8 to 90 ore comp.	.24
-144	1920, 10-40 ore with 10 ore grn.	.08
-210	1907, 1 ore to 10kr	.40
-220	1915-17, 1 ore to 1kr, scarce	.60
-2	1917, 5 and 10 ore, Military	.13
	1871, 4s carmine	.15
	1874, 32 ore green	.20

FINLAND.

	1866-7, 20 pen blue	.20
	40 pen rose	.30
*	1882, 2 pen gray	.10
-45	1889-90, 2 pen to 10 mark	1.50
	1891-2, 1 kon orange yellow	.05
	2 kon green	.07
	3 kon carmine	.12
	4 kon rose	.12
	7 kon dark blue	.04
	10 kon dark blue	.08
	14 kon blue & rose	.12
	20 kon blue & carmine	.12
	35 kon violet & green	.30
*	50 kon violet & green	.30
	1 ruble brown & orange	.60
	7 rubles black & yellow	3.50
-68	1901, 2 pen to 1 mark	.20
	10 mark black & gray	1.75
	1901-03, 10 mark black & drab	1.00
-81	1911, 2 to 40 pen	.06
	1916, 10 mark, gray & black	2.50
-92	1917-18, 5 pen to 5 mark	.13
	10 mark brown & black	.15
-103	1918, 5 pen to 1 mark	.45
*	5 mark, Wasa	2.00
-108	1919, 10 to 75 pen	.12
-113	1919-20, 5 to 50 pen	.08
-118	1921, 30 pen to 1½ mark	.18
*	2 mark green & black	.10
*	3 mark blue & black	.15
*	25 mark red & yellow	1.15

ICELAND.

*	1876, 20 aur dark violet	.35
	1897, 3 aur orange	.05
	6 aur gray	.06
a	16 aur brown	.65
	20 aur dull blue	.12
	1900, 4 aur rose & gray	.10
	1901-02, 3 aur yellow	.07
	25 aur brown & blue	.30
-40	1902-04, 3 to 20 aur	.27
	25 aur brown & green	.12
	40 aur violet	.16
	50 aur gray & black	.25
	1kr blue & brown	.50
	1902-03, 5 aur yellow green	.08
*	20 aur dull blue	.15
*	25 aur brown & blue	.18
	3 aur yellow	.10
	40 aur red violet	.30
	50 aur blue & carmine	.40
-77	1907-08, 1e to 15 aur	.30
	20 aur blue	.08
	25 aur brown & green	.10
	40 aur claret & violet	.15
	50 aur gray & violet	.18
	1kr blue & brown	.40
	2kr brown & green	1.00
-94	1911-12, 1e to 25 aur	.45
	50 aur claret	.22
	1kr yellow	.40
	2kr rose	.70
-107	1915-18, 1e to 20 aur	.18
116	1920, 1e to 20 aur	.24
*	1873, 4s green	10.00
	1876-95, 5 aur brown	.06
	10 aur blue	.09
	20 aur yellow green	.12
-169	1902, 4 to 50 aur	.55
-188	1907-08, 4 to 50 aur	.55

NORWAY.

1	1854, 4s blue	2.00
4	1856-7, 4s deep blue	.06
5	8s dull lake	.45
8	1863-66, 4s blue	.05
19	1872-5, 4s lilac	.18
20	6s orange brown	.45
26	1877-8, 12 ore light green	.18
27	20 ore orange brown	.06
29	35 ore blue green	.08
30	50 ore maroon	.08
31	60 ore dark blue	.08
32	1kr gray green & green	.08
33	1kr 50 ore ultr. & blue	.40
34	2kr rose & maroon	.20
69	1905, 1kr on 2s orange	.30
70	1kr 50 ore on 2s orange	.65
71	2kr on 2s orange	.85
72	1906, 30 ore on 7s red brown	.06
74	1907, 1kr yellow green	.20
75	1kr 50 ore ultr.	.60
76	2kr rose	.30
81	1909-10, 2kr rose	.08
93-95	1911-18, 1 to 2kr	.18
96	5kr violet	.15
97-99	5 to 20 ore	.12

SWEDEN.

4	1855, 8s orange	6.50
6	1858, 5 ore yellow green	.10
28-36, 38	1877-9, 3 ore to 1kr	.20
40-49	1886-91, 2 ore to 1kr	.25
50	1889, 10 on 12 ore blue	.10
51*	10 on 24 ore orange	.25
52-63	1891-1900, 1 ore to 1kr	.10
66	1903-04, 5kr blue	.25
67-72	1910-15, 1 ore to 1kr	.13
75-85	5 to 50 ore, complete	.13
90-91	1917, 1.98 & 2.12kr	.80
92, 4, 6	1917-18, 40 to 90 ore	.22
97-102	1918, 7 and 12 ore surcharges	.35
121-125	1920, 40 to 140 ore	.18
142-144	1921, Gustavus Vasa, used	1.00
222-26	1916, Landstorm, 5 var.	.90
301-3*	1920, Aerial Post, 3 vars.	.30
440	1910-12, 5kr claret	.25
442-52	1910-16, 2 to 50 ore	.12

HOLLAND AND COLONIES.

We list here all items which it is possible to obtain at a price within reason. Of course about all cheap numbers not listed can be supplied.

NETHERLANDS.

1	1852, 5 cent blue	1.15
2	10 cent lake	.40
3	15 cent orange	4.50
4	1864, 5 cent blue	.60
4	superb pairs, 5 cent	1.50
7	1867, 5 cent ultr.	.04
8	10 cent lake	.06
9	15 cent orange brown	.75
10	20 cent dark green	.45
11	25 cent dark violet	1.25
19 & 21	1869-71, ½ and 1 cent green	.08
23	2 cent buff	.10
25-31	1872-5, 5 to 50 cent	.13
32	2 gulden 50 cent	1.60
39	1888, 1 gulden gray violet	.16
40-48	1891-4, 3 to 25 cent	.20
71-86	1898-9, ½ cent to 2½ gulden	.24
86B	5 gulden claret	.25
94-96	1907, ½ to 2½ cent, Jubilee	.10
97-106	1913, 2½ cent to 2½ gulden	1.45
107	5 gulden yellow	.75
108	10 gulden red	5.50
114-15	1919, 40 and 60 cent	.45
116-17*	1920, 40 and 60 cent	.55
118-19*	2 vars., 2½ on 10 gulden	2.40
201-7*	1921, "Floating Safe" complete	8.50
225-7	1906, 1 to 5 cent, Charity	.10
251-3*	1921, 10 to 60 cent	.45
281-86	1913, 1 to 5 cent	.75
287*	10 cent gray lilac, rare	.55
288	1918, 1½ cent deep blue	.50
301	1870, 5 cent brown	.30
302	10 cent violet	.18
337	1907, 25 on ½ cent blue	.15
342	1910, 3 cent on 1 gulden	.45
344-58	1912-20, ½ to 25 cent	.50

CURACAO.

1*	1873, 2½ cent green	.06
4*	10 cent ultramarine	.15
5*	25 cent brown orange	.30
6*	50 cent violet	.15
9*	1886-9, 15 cent olive	.35
10*	30 cent pearl gray	.40
11	60 cent olive bistre	.50
13-16*	1889, 1 to 3 cent	.10
18*	1891, 25 on 30 cent gray	.22
19-21,23*	1892-3, 10 to 30 cent	.28
22	25 cent brown orange	.07
25*	1895, 2½ on 10 cent ult.	.35
26	2½ on 30 cent gray	.25
27 & 29*	1899-1902, 12½ & 25 cent	.18

DUTCH INDIES.

4-9	1870-74, 5 to 50 cent	.27
12	1876-88, 2 cent red brown	.18
17-22	1883-90, 1 to 5 cent	.30
31-36	1899-1900, 10 to 50 cent	.15
44-45	1901, ½ and 2½ cent	.05
46-52	1902, 10 to 50 cent	.24
55	1905, 1 gulden dull lilac	.08
57-59	1908, 7½ to 22½ cent	.22
60-77	1908, ½ to 50 cent	.95
78	1 gulden dull lilac	.18
80-86	1908, ½ to 7½ cent	.30
99	1912, 1 gulden lilac on blue	.50
100	2½ gulden slate blue	1.25
101-19	1912-14, comp. exc. 2 and 22½	.50

DUTCH INDIES (Continued).

122-4*	1917-18, 3 vars. surcharges	.18
125	1918, 30 cent on 1 gulden	.18
200-217*	1911, ½ to 50 cent	2.75
220-6*	10 cent to 2½ gulden	2.75
254-6	1882-88, 2½ to 10 cent	.18
260*	40 cent carmine	.25
261*	50 cent carmine	.20
262*	75 cent carmine	.30
263-5	1892-5, 10 to 20 cent	.20
268	1908-9, 30 cent carmine	.18
270	50 cent carmine	.30
271	75 cent carmine	.45
272-76	1913-15, 2½ to 20 cent	.25

SURINAME.

4*	1873-9, 10 cent bistre	.10
5	25 cent greenish blue	.15
11	1885-88, 12½ cent slate blue	.15
24	1892, 2½ cent on 50 cent	.25
25-30*	1892-3, 10 to 30 cent	.65
36	1899, 50 on 50 cent	.20
37	1 on 1 gulden, green	.30
38	2½ on 2½ gulden lilac	.65
39	1900, 25 on 40 cent	.16
40*	25 on 50 cent	.16
58	1902-08, 50 cent lake brown	.30
66*	1911, 20 on 30 cent red brown	.20

CHOICE ORIENTALS

China	1898, 1 to 5 dollars, Nos. 72-4	3.25
	1902-08, 20c to $5, Nos. 82-7	2.50
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	1912, ½ cent to $1, Nos. 134-46	1.20
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	*1912, 5 dollars gray	4.00
	1913-18, $2 blue & black, No. 192	.40
	1913-18, 16 cent green, blocks of 4	.30
	1912, ½ cent blue, No. 332	.25
	1915-18, Turkestan, ½ to 50 cent, except 7, 8, 15, 16 cent	1.50
	*1921, Postal Commem., 4 vars.	.25
German China	1906, 1 to 20c, Nos. 447-51	.40
	1906, 1 cent to $2½, Nos. 447-56	6.00
Kiauchau	1905, 1 to 20 cent, Nos. 14-18	.60
	1906-10, 1 to 20 cent, Nos. 24-28	.60
Japan	1915, 1½ to 10 sen, Nos. 140-43	.20
	*1915, 10 sen, unused, No. 143	.18
	1916, 1½ to 10 sen, rare	2.50
	1919, 1½ to 10 sen, Peace	.18
	1920, 1½ and 3 sen, Mejii	.10
	1920, 1½ and 3 sen, same type	.10
	*1921, Postal Commem. comp.	1.50
	*1921, Crown Prince, complete	1.00
	1910-15, 3 Vars. Military	.45
	*1919, Aerial Post, complete	1.50
	1902-08, China Offices, No. 320	.65
	1902-08, China Offices, No. 321	2.50
Siam	1908, 3 ticals, No. 120	1.25
	1908, 5 ticals, No. 121	1.75
	1908 10 ticals, No. 122	2.50
	1912, 10 baht, No. 155	4.00
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	3 pence brown, yellow, No. 311	.30
	3 pence brown & black, No. 312	.15
	½ and 1 penny, Nos. 313-314	.07
	1 shilling, No. 315	.40
	3 pence brown & black, No. 316	.12
Cayman Is.,	1½ on 2 pence gray, No. 106	.10
Dominica,	½ and 3 pence, Nos. 153-4	.20
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Used Georges, Etc.:—

Barbados	1906, 1 penny Olive Blossom	.10
Ceylon	1912, 2 to 30 cent, Nos. 200-209	.20
	1912, 50c black and scarlet, No. 210	.10
	1912, 1 rupee violet, No. 212	.30
East Africa and Uganda	1912, 1 to 15 cent, Nos. 40-45	.18
Gold Coast	1913-16, ½ to 6p, Nos. 69-74	.20
	1913-16, 1 shilling green, No. 75	.10
	1913-16, 2sh violet & blue, No. 76	.35
	1913-16, 2sh 6p black and red, No. 77	.45
	1913-16, 5sh green & red, No. 78	1.10
	1913-16, 10sh green and red, No. 79	2.25
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Gt. Britain	1912-13, 7, 8 and 9 pence, the three scarce ones, Nos. 168-170	.12
Jamaica	1919-21, 2 pence to 1 shilling, Nos. 78-83, except no No. 82	.70
Nigeria	1914-15, Nos. 1-7, except No. 4	.25
	1914-15, 1 shilling green, No. 8	.15
	1914-15, 2sh 6 pence, No. 9	.40
*Rhodesia	1905, 1 penny rose red, No. 72	.08
*	1905, 2½ pence ultr., No. 73	.15

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Another—From a correspondent in Pittsburgh, we have received a copy of the bill "H. R. 10616," which was introduced in the House of Representatives on February 27, 1922, by Mr. Campbell of Pennsylvania and "referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and ordered to be printed." This bill amends an Act to codify, revise, and amend the penal laws of the United States and is as follows: "Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That sections 161, 172 and 220 of the Act entitled 'An Act to codify, revise and amend the penal laws of the United States,' approved March 4, 1909, are hereby amended by adding the following: 'Provided, That nothing in said sections shall be construed to forbid or prevent the printing or publishing illustrations of postage or revenue stamps under such regulations as may, from time to time, be prescribed by the Postmaster General, or to prevent or forbid the making of necessary plates therefor, for use in philatelic or historical articles, books, journals, or albums, or the circulars of legitimate publishers or dealers in such stamps, books, journals, or albums, if such plates have been made or prepared under regulations prescribed by the Postmaster General: And provided further, That no such illustrations shall be made in colors." This bill presented by Congressman Campbell, is the second bill introduced in the House with the idea of granting relief to philatelists by permitting the use of illustrations of all stamps, both U. S. and foreign, for scientific purposes. This bill takes a direct means to achieve the end that is so greatly desired by students of the stamps of our own country, in particular. Its fate with the Committee on the Judiciary will be anxiously awaited.

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Angles—The Ackerman bill which was printed in our issue of February 11, 1922, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary on November 14, 1921. This bill provided that the illustrations of postage or revenue stamps be "from plates so defaced as to indicate that the illustrations are not adapted or intended for use as stamps" and it was stipulated that stamps of the United States were not included in the scope of the bill. From documents that we have seen, we believe that the sponsors of the Ackerman bill have been actuated by motives that ultimately may crystallize in removing the ban from U. S. Stamp illustrations. It is not to be gainsaid that it would not have been preferable for the A.P.S. committee to have been formally consulted in the proposed legislation. There were many considerations having a bearing on the course of action that required much trimming of sails. The bill has passed the Senate and it is supposed that it will be reported on the Committee on Judiciary for action by the House. As we understand this bill, its provisions mean that it will be necessary for the pictures of foreign stamps to be canceled in some way or other even when the cuts may be in reduced size, The big catalogue, for instance, would have to appear with its reproductions of stamps defaced in some manner. The Campbell bill vests discretionary power in the Postmaster General and under regulations acceptable to him, the use of cuts of all stamps, it is inferred, would be allowed. There is some ground for the belief that the Treasury Department is antagonistic to letting down the bars and that it was, or is, seeking a more drastic interpretation of the present laws. How the proposals now under notice will be worked out is problematical but it may be said that Congress is being made aware of the disposition of a host of philatelists to exert their influence for permission to use for purposes of study and identification pictures of all stamp issues. It is to be deplored that the nature of the proceedings must be such that progress may not be made by publicity for the plans.

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Abroad—We have been informed by Mr. H. A. Diamant of St. Louis, who is a leading exponent of the movement that the American Philatelic Society embark on a pretentious advertising campaign for the benefit of philately, that he will leave later in this month for a trip to Europe. Mr. Diamant's mission in great measure is to discover just what methods are used by stamp organizations in Europe to make philately attractive to the general public. The result of his investigations will be of value and interest, assuredly, and we hope to have the privilege of publishing observations that he may send us from abroad. Mr. Diamant intends to take his specialized collection of the stamps of Mexico with him and we are sure that they will be viewed with much appreciation in the European centers. Mr. Diamant will be away for three months or so.

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Avoid—The increased demand for curious or striking cancellations on United States stamps has had a concomitant that is natural even if regrettable. Faked cancellations of some of the unusual markings have made their appearance, the temptation of high prices for popular varieties having been yielded to by a person, here and there, who has thrown honesty by the board. The fraudulent cancellations must have "originated in iniquity" even though they may have been handled subsequently by those who were incapable of noting their true character. The expert will not be deceived by these spurious additions and the inexperienced are not inclined to pay fancy prices for the cancellations.

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Accepted—The metered-mail permits are becoming a factor in the mails and are finding their way into commoner use. From Mr. Burt B. Hyde, we have received a number of different denominations that he has taken from his correspondence; and we are of the opinion that these permits will be recognized as furnishing an interesting side-line of collecting

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Addition—The newspapers have not been slow to publish pictures of the new Irish provisionals with their surcharge in Gaelic. The first specimen seen was one on an envelope sent from Dublin with its Americanized postmark dated February 17, 1922. The stamps will be in demand and should bring in a bit of money to the Irish nation. The surcharge is an interesting one and should be effective in selling the stamps to collectors. "Your pig has the best part of the cabin." "Faith, and why shouldn't he," said Pat, "when he pays the rint."

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"Applicants for stamps for stamp collecting purposes (Mr. J. J. Walsh, P. M. G., explained to our representative), should state that fact when securing supplies. Otherwise, he said—seeing that the financial control of Irish P. O. is still in hands of England and will be until end of financial year—these moneys spent by stamp collectors would be merged in the common English fund and lost to Irish revenue.

Every postmaster in Ireland has received instructions to keep special note of amounts paid for stamp collectors. The stamps are being overprinted in Ireland.

Asked about the new Free State stamps, he said the production of these is receiving careful attention, and the time limit for sending in designs will terminate in a week. A careful investigation into the whole subject of stamp printing, production of dyes, erection of strong rooms, and above all, the production and control of watermarked paper would lead to the belief that for the first few months or possibly the first six months of the Free State, stamps will have to be produced by English firms engaged in similar work for British Government."

From our Dublin Correspondent:—

"Just a few lines about the Irish overprinted stamps which you will see by above are due next Friday (17th). Two firms of printers in Dublin are carrying out the contract, and during the week an armed guard was placed over the stamps until instructions came from Irish P. M. G., who was in London. Large bundles were removed from printers to-day (Saturday, February 11th) under armed guard, and these were all overprinted and are ready for issue.

The overprint was set by the Monotype machine (six overprints at a time until 240 in all were set) then screwed in printers' forme to make complete sheet, proofs then pulled and sent to reader for revision; afterwards, when corrected (as there was one error), the forme was sent to stereo to have plate made of complete sheet, so there is little chance of errors, inverted or double overprints."

Our Special Correspondent in Dublin, Mr. Edward Dolan, informs us that large numbers of designs for the projected Irish postage stamps have already arrived at the Secretary's Office, Dublin G. P. O., from England, Ireland, and all parts of the Continent. Few, he says, are of artistic merit.

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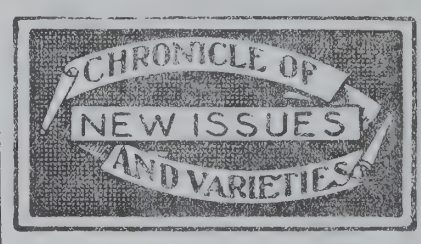

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

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UNITED STATES.—In these notes some weeks back, mention was made of several copies of the 1861 August issue being known with a five concentric circle cancellation and I then went on to state that this particular cancellation had never been seen on the September issue. Several valued correspondents have written to state that they have copies of the 3c September issue with a five concentric circle cancellation. Such a cancellation is well known and I should have qualified my first remarks by designating the marks on the August issue as a very peculiar irregular five ring cancellation. This cancellation was probably applied by the engravers or by the department to cancel the face value on copies that were let out as samples or the like.

The Kelton & Sloane Sale held during the latter part of February, seems to bear out the remarks that fine United States in fine condition are bringing good prices whereas if the stamp is described as having the slightest defect it goes at only a fraction of its catalogue quotation A copy of the Brattleboro Postmaster with a thin spot and two repairs sold for $351 while a repaired St. Louis 5c on greenish brought $47. A defective 10c sold at $43 while a fine 10c "Providence without gum was knocked down at $24.50. A fine 10c, 1847, brought $27.75, a magnificent 1851 1c type 1a lightly cancelled sold for $98 while a 15c 1867 grill went for over catalogue at $14.25. A wonderful mint 15c framed 1869 sold for nearly two and a half times catalogue at $18.25, a 30c mint at $28 and a mint 90c at $52. A very fine 15c invert sold for $430 whereas a 24c not in the best of condition changed hands at $205. A straight edged 4c Columbian error mint sold at $65, while the 1c Pan American invert mint with thin spot brought $65. An off center 4c invert "Specimen" sold at $42.

Carriers seem to be holding their own, an unpriced Baltimore green, No. 1806, selling for $126, while a New York 3c on rosy buff repaired sold at $110.

Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer informs me that he has received a letter from a valued correspondent dated February 27th, informing him that "a new surcharged issue of United States for China is just being made. Some may have gone forward already." We are obtaining official information for our readers which we hope to have for the next Chronicle.

AUSTRIA.—In addition to the stamps mentioned in our issue of Feb. 18th, Mr. Max Fruchter shows us two more values of futurist design. They are 5kr and 12½kr both in olive green shade and the former being somewhat wider in size than the other.

ANGOLA.—Bright & Son informs us that they have received new colors in the Ceres type. The value and name in each case is in black.

Perf. 14.—3c orange, 4c rose, 5c dull blue, 6c pale mauve, 7c pale blue, 15c red lilac, 30c dull green, 80c bright pink and 2 escudos purple.

Perf. 11½.—4½c drab, 12c olive, 40c blue green, 60c deep blue and 1 escudo rose red.

CANADA.—Mr. H. H. Kritzwiser calls attention to the appearance of a new color for the 10c stamp. According to advices it is now of a blue shade and while it has been received at some of the post offices it was expected to be placed on sale at the Regina office about March 1st.

CYPRUS.—The Economist Stamp Co. have shown us copies of the 30 paras and the 2 piastres printed on the script watermarked paper.

DANZIG. The Economist Stamp Co. have shown us a new set of stamps for this country the centre of which shows a crown with two crosses below. Just outside is a six sided frame and again a frame of the same shape outside of that. At the top is "Freie Stadt" and below "Danzig". The figures of value are in the upper left and lower right corners in the higher values and in all four corners of the lower ones. The colors and values are as follows: 75pf, plum, 80pf green, 1.25m red lilac and

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DUTCH INDIES.—The Economist Stamp Co. advise us of the appearance of the following new colors in the 1912-14 set: 2½c red, 5c green and 10c violet. Also the following provisionals: 17½c, No. 113, surcharged "12½ cent"; also the 22½c, No 115, bearing the same overprint; both of these surcharges being in red; 22½c, No. 115, overprinted "20 cent" in blue; 50c, No. 118, "32½ cent" in blue; 1g, No. 119, "60 cent" in blue; 1g, No. 119, "80 cent" in red. All overprints are in one line and three horizontal lines obliterate the former figures. The same correspondent also advises that the following new values have been added to the 1913-15 postage due set, 7½c, 12½c and 25c all in red.

DENMARK.—The Economist Stamp Co. have shown us the 25o, type of Scott's A16, in red.

GAMBIA.—We learn that the 4s and 5s Script CA (referred to on page 455) are from Plate 1.

We also learn that an entirely new issue of Postage and Revenue stamps is being printed. Two designs have been selected, the one for the pence values (the same size as the 2d Jamaica) and a larger "revenue" size for the shilling values. The stamps will bear His Majesty's portrait printed in black, while the border duty portion of the stamps will contain the badge of the Colony—*i.e.* Elephant and Palm Tree—and will be printed in the customary copperplate colour scheme. All the stamps will be produced by the line-engraved process. The values ordered are as follows: ½d, 1d, 1½d, 2d, 2½d, 3d, 4d, 5d, 6d, 7½d, 10d, 1s 6d, 2s, 2s 6d 3s, 4s, 5s, and 10s.—*Stamp Collecting.*

GERMANY.—Mr. Paulus W. Weber advises that he has received a 10 mark stamp of green color. The stamp is about 40mm high and 34mm wide, Perf. 11½. In a white circle is a seminude female figure bearing a dish of fruit in her right hand and holding a branch or flowers in her left, coat of arms is before figure. Along the bottom is a white field "Deutsches Reich" in black letters. Value in white. Mr. Weber adds that he has another 10m but of deep carmine rose. It is practically the same design as Scott's Nos. 75, 79.

Mr. Maxwell Krause sends us a set of 10 stamps or labels that bear the names of the former German colonies. In the centre of each is a view of a steamship sailing towards the German flag which is at half mast in the lower corner. There are no values on any of the stamps and Mr. Krause advises that he offers the guess that they are mourning stamps to commemorate the loss of the ten colonies.

Mr. A. H. Luck advises of a new 20m stamp which is of slate color and which he adds is of very poor workmanship. The horse in the design looks as if it had not been fed for a long time and the neck is out of proportion.

GOLD COAST.—The Economist Stamp Co. report the 6d value on script watermarked paper.

MALTA.—The Economist Stamp Co. submit for chronicle the ¼d, ½d, 2½d and 6d current issue stamps printed on script watermarked paper.

ST. HELENA.—A striking new design has been adopted for a new issue of 1d, 6d, 1s, 1s 6d, 2s 6d, 5s, 7s 6d, 10s, 15s, and £1 stamps. These will be of the large "Revenue" size and, as they are required for fiscal as well as postal purposes, they will be inscribed "Postage and Revenue." The portrait of His Majesty will be contained in an oval frame, and on each side of the vignette representations of Arum lilies and New Zealand flax will be shown. The vignette, which will be printed in doubly fugitive black in each value, consists of a ship, etc., taken from the Seal of the Colony. The border duty portion of the stamps will follow the Universal colour scheme for each value.—*Stamp Collecting.*

SYRIA.—The Economist Stamp Co. inform us that the 15c green, France No. 129, has been surcharged "O. M. F. Syrie 75 centiemes" in four lines in black. Also the 60c, France No. 157, has been overprinted in like manner but with a "3 piastres" value.

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N. Y. 1845, No. 17, repaired, but very fine appearance, postmarked "Paid" in red	$ 40.00	$ 9.00
U. S. 1847, 5c, No. 28, red cancellation, very fine	5.00	4.00
1847, 5c, 2 single copies, one superb and one trifle close at bottom, blue cancellation, used together with a City Dispatch paid Blood local No. 2243, rare cover, cost owner $35.00	17.50	Bid Solicited
1847, 10c black, No. 29, stamp pen marked, mailed from Fairmount, Va., large margin two sides, very nice copy on cover	25.00	10.50
Brown & Co. local, No. 2382, used on original with 3c 1851 issue. Local has slight tear at top	12.50	2.75
1851, 10c green, No. 35a, close at top, nice cover	10.00	2.50
10c green, black town cancellation, No. 35, very nice cover	3.00	2.00
Half of 12c used as 6c, No. 36a, postmarked in black Sacramento, Cal., mailed Aug. 30, 1853, to Boston, Slightly close at top, but a very fine copy of this rare provisional and a very fine cover	150.00	Bid Solicited
1857, 1c blue, strip of 3, town cancellation, very nice cover, No. 42f	..	4.50
10c green, No. 50, postmarked San Francisco, corner slightly damaged, nice cover	..	1.25
10c green, same as last, town cancellation and red cancellation on cover, perfs. cut into at bottom	..	2.25
10c green, another copy, black town cancellation straight edge at right, slightly soiled	..	1.25
1861, 1c blue and 3c rose, latter damaged, cancelled N. Y, with red cancellation and large star in circle, interesting cover	..	1.25
1862, 3c near pink, nice cover, fine, superb	..	2.00
1869, 3c blue, No. 114, town cancellation Murphreesboro in green, scarce cover	..	2.00
3c blue, same as last	..	2.00
3c State Department, No. 1558b, scarce on original cover	..	3.00
U. S. Envelope, No. 2318, 10c green, large circular cancellation Sacramento, Cal., addressed to Alton, Ill.	2.00	Bid Solicited
U. S. Aeroplane 24c, Washington to New York, scarce	..	"
24c, same as last, Washington to St. Louis	..	"
Mail Washington to New York prepaid by 2c Jamestown, 3c and 11c 1918	..	"
Same as last. New York to Phila. prepaid with 5c and 11c 1918	..	"
Another Aeroplane service from Phila. to Troy, N. C., prepaid with 16c aeroplane	..	"
CONFEDERATES		
Memphis 1861, 5c red, very good margins for this stamp, fine clear cancellation, fine cover	..	Bid?
1862, 10c regular issue, mailed from Mobile, Ala., to Hill, N. C., postmarked Aug. 31, delivered Sept. 9 and rather an interesting cover	..	8.75
1862, 5c blue, No. 203a, pair, very nice cover	..	Bid?
5c blue, same as last, single copy postmarked in blue Greensboro	..	"
5c blue, same as last postmarked with large star close at top postmarked Tuscaloosa, Ala., nice cover	..	"
5c blue, same as last, penmarked on original, fine cover	..	"
5c blue, same as last	..	
10c light blue, No. 201a, postmarked Richmond Va., Feb. 27th, 1863, very nice cover, fine copy	4.50	3.50
10c blue, same as last, No. 201, postmarked in blue, nice cover	4.50	3.50
10c blue, another copy postmarked in blue, very nice cover	4.50	3.00
10c blue, another same as last, Richmond, Va., large margins, very nice cover	4.50	3.00
10c blue, same as last, No. 201a, tear across stamp	4.50	1.25
10c dark blue, lightly penmarked, but undoubtedly paid postage on this letter, an unusually fine large margin copy	4.50	4.50
5c green, No. 200, pair postmarked Athens, Tenn., very nice cover	6.00	4.50
5c green, same as last, very fine single copy, No. 200	3.00	2.00
5c green, postmarked Savannah, Ga.	3.00	2.25
5c green, postmarked Ft. Sumpter, S. C., slightly cut in at top	3.00	1.75
5c green, uncancelled on cover	3.50	2.00
5c green, pair Chattanooga, Tenn., No. 200, pair damaged at top	6.00	1.50
FOREIGN		
Mexico 1867, Guadalajara, 1 real blue, No. 27, absolutely guaranteed, nice cover	20.00	6.25
Netherland 1867, 5c and 20c on cover	..	.50
1867, 25c on cover, No. 11, very nice cover, Amsterdam to New York	..	1.00
1867, 50c gold, No. 12, Amsterdam to New York, very nice cover	4.50	3.25

U. S. STAMPS NOT ON COVERS

New York 1845, 5c black, slightly cut in at upper right corner but a very fine copy otherwise, good margins, No. 17	40.00	23.50
*New York, 5c black, repaired copy, margins somewhat close, but otherwise fine appearance	75.00	15.00
1847, 5c vertical pair, No. 28, slightly close at left, very fine pair	10.00	Bid?
* 5c brown, No. 28, unused, very large margins three sides, one side fair	25.00	12.50
5c brown, No. 28, red grid cancelation, very nice copy	5.00	4.50
* 10c black, No. 29, very fine appearing copy, three perfect and one fair margin, not cleaned, but may have been re-gummed	100.00	25.00
5c and 10c, good, Reprints, nice pair	..	4.50
1851, 1c blue, No. 31, cancelled "paid" typographically. This was probably the first precancel used in this country, a very rare stp.	?	Bid?
* 3c red, very fine o. g., No. 33	2.50	.65
* 3c dull red	2.50	.65
* 3c much lighter shade, trifle soiled at right corner	2.50	.50
3c dull red, horizontal pair postmarked New York and dated	..	1.00
3c, same as last horizontal pair town cancellation, very fine pair	..	1.00
3c, same as last, vertical pair postmarked St. Paul, very fine	..	1.00
5c brown, postmarked New Orleans in blue, very slightly cut in at top, good margins, otherwise fine	30.00	15.00
* 5c brown, good margins all around, original gum, very slight soil upper right hand corner, fine appearing copy	125.00	26.00
* 10c green, very large margins on two sides and good margin on other two, No. 35	22.50	7.50
* 10c green, same as last, fine copy, full o. g.	22.50	9.50
* 10c green, same as last, margins not quite so large	22.50	7.50
10c green, town cancellation, very fair margins, No. 35	3.00	2.00
10c green, grid cancellation, close at left	3.00	1.75
10c green, town cancellation Camden, large margins top and bottom rather close	3.00	1.50
* 12c black, No. 36, very fine copy, large margins	30.00	12.00
* 12c black, margins not quite so large, but fine	30.00	10.00
* 12c black, slightly cut in at top, otherwise fine copy	30.00	7.50
12c black, red cancellation slightly cut in at bottom, but fine	8.00	2.65
*1857, 1c dark blue, type I, No. 40, o. g., fine copy	25.00	12.50
1c blue, type II, No. 41, black town cancellation, very fine	4.00	2.50
1c blue, type Ia, No. 40b, so-called intermediate type, scarce scrolls partly showing, a very fine copy of this rare stamp	40.00	15.00
1c blue, No. 41, black cancellation, very fine copy	4.00	2.50
1c blue, type IV, No. 42d, black town cancellation, very fine	10.00	5.50
1c blue, red **Carrier** cancellation, straight edge at right, scarce	..	2.50
1c blue, same as last red **Carrier** cancellation, scarce	..	2.50
1c blue, another town date and year cancellation in black, scarce, No. 42f	..	2.50
* 3c outer line, No. 43, o. g. fine	12.00	3.00
3c rose, two copies one paid cancellation Rutland, Vt., date month and year cancellation 1861 in blue	..	.75
3c rose, postmarked Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, July 18, 1859	..	
3c rose, same as last Mt. Pleasant, July 9, 1860	..	
3c rose, Burlington, Iowa, May 10, 1859, on part cover	..	
5c brown, No. 48a, centered N. E., postmarked town black and red grid cancellation, scarce	8.00	
5c red brown, No. 46, black town cancellation Pittsburg, slightly cut in at left, but fine copy	20.00	
* 5c brown, type I, No. 47, centered S, part o. g.	40.00	
* 5c brown, same as last, much better centered, No. 47	40.00	
5c brown, black town cancellation, very fine	8.00	
10c green, No. 49, red cancellation, very fine	2.00	
10c green, another copy straight edge at left, but otherwise very fine copy, red cancellation	2.00	
* 12c black, No. 51, straight edge at top	7.00	
12c black, No. 51, black town cancellation	5.00	
12c black, same as last, red ink cancellation	5.00	
24c lilac, perfs. slightly clipped right and bottom, but stamp has red grid cancellation, scarce thus	..	
* 24c gray lilac, No. 52a, with gum	12.00	
24c gray lilac, same as last, No. 52a, repaired, red grid cancellation	12.00	
* 30c orange, straight edge, right fine o. g., No. 53	15.00	
*1861, 10c **August**, slightly repaired and re-gummed, but stamp is perfectly centered and a very fine appearing copy of this rare stamp, No. 58	75.00	
* 10c **August**, another copy similar to last, a very fine copy of this rare stamp	75.00	
24c violet, No. 60, ring cancellation, fine copy	40.00	
3c pink, grid cancellation slightly centered W., otherwise fine copy	12.50	
3c pink, town cancellation and date in black	12.50	
1862, 3c rose, imperforate, No. 65	?	
* 3c rose, same as last, unused, thin spot	?	
3c rose, postmarked large figure 3 in black, very interesting cancellation	?	
3c rose, same as last, on part cover	?	
3c rose, same as last, postmarked Baltimore in blue on part cover	?	
3c rose, postmarked "paid" in black and town cancellation in red, very scarce and interesting cancellation, on part cover	?	
3c lake, pronounced shade, fine lightly cancelled, a rare stamp, catal. unused at	20.00	
* 5c buff, No. 67, re-gummed, but very finely centered copy of this rare stamp	125.00	
5c buff, postmarked in red, stamp slightly repaired but interesting on account of cancellation	25.00	
* 5c brown yellow, No. 67a, perfs. cut in at bottom, nice appearance	125.00	
* 10c green, slight gum crack, but perfectly centered copy, fine o. g.	4.00	
10c green, same as last, 3 or 4 perfs. cut in at right top, fine	4.00	
12c black, slightly cut in at left, No. 69, blue dated cancellation	1.75	
* 24c, No. 78, fine o. g., stamp shows defect in printing at left, an oddity, design covers only about ⅔ of Stamp	6.00	
24c red lilac, black grid cancellation, No. 70, **VERY FINE** copy of this rare stamp, worth full catalog price	7.50	
24c steel blue, black grid cancellation, repaired, No. 70b, nice appearing copy, correct shade	25.00	
* 30c orange, centered N., No. 71	8.00	
* 30c orange, same as last, centered E.	8.00	
90c blue, black cancellation, centered slightly E.	10.00	
90c blue, same as last, black cancellation, perfs. cut in at right	10.00	
* 90c, No. 72, fine copy, slightly centered W., full o. g.	30.00	
* 5c red brown, No. 75, very nice copy	30.00	
* 5c red brown, same as last, lighter shade, No. 75	30.00	
* 5c red brown, same as last, slightly scraped on face, well centered copy	30.00	
* 5c brown, No. 76, nicely centered	5.00	
* 5c brown, same as last, almost perfectly centered, No. 76	5.00	
* 5c black brown, No. 76a, slight 2 mil. tear at top	20.00	
* 15c black, No. 77, very good copy	12.50	
* 15c black, another copy same as last	12.50	
* 15c black, another copy, centered W.	12.50	
24c lilac, **red** cancellation, centered N. E.	2.00	
* 24c gray lilac, No. 78a, centered N. E.	6.00	
* 24c gray lilac, another copy same as last, darker shade, No. 78a	6.00	
* 24c gray, very good copy, No. 78b	8.00	
24c gray, same as last, No. 78b, stitch watermark showing plainly, this stamp cost owner $11.60	?	
*1867, 3c rose, grill all over, straight edge at left, unusually fine grill, pronounced by some an essay, No. 79	?	
* 3c rose, grill all over, No. 79, a very fine copy of this rare stamp	40.00	

U. S. 1867 5c BROWN GRILL ALL OVER NO. 80. STAMP IS JUST the least trifle centered W. without perfs. cutting into the design, very lightly cancelled in black with concentric rings. Stamp is perfect in every respect, no perfs. missing, etc. A similar copy brought $730.00 at an Eastern sale about a year and a half ago when the stamp was catalogued at $750.00. It has since advanced to $800.00 and we believe that the stamp is worth very nearly full catalog price. There are but a few of these stamps known and certainly not a great many which are in as fine condition as this copy ..... $800.00 Solicited

1867, 3c rose, 13x16, No. 83, fairly well centered for this stamp, odd cancellation	7.50	
* 2c black, 12x14, off centered as usual, fine o. g.	35.00	
1c dark blue, No. 86a	3.00	
* 3c rose, No. 88, well centered, fine	5.00	
* 10c green, No. 89, fairly well centered	20.00	
* 10c green, same as last, not quite so well centered	20.00	
* 10c green, same as last, No. 89, no gum, but perfectly centered	20.00	
3c rose, No. 94b	10.00	
* 5c brown, No. 95, centered N. W.	25.00	
* 5c brown, same as last, perfectly centered, 3 perfs. slightly nibbed at top, fine appearing copy	25.00	
* 10c green, No. 96, centered S.	8.00	
* 10c green, same as last, centered N. E.	8.00	
* 12c black, No. 97, centered S.	7.00	
* 15c black, No. 98, slightly cut in at top, otherwise fine copy	12.00	
* 15c black, same as last, No. 98, cut in at right	12.00	
* 24c lilac, No. 99, cut in at right, but fine copy	50.00	
24c lilac, No. 99, slightly off center as usual	15.00	
* 30c orange, No. 100, centered E.	25.00	
30c yellow orange, slight crease	5.00	
30c orange, same as last, No. 100, perfs. cut in at top, odd cancellation	5.00	
* 90c blue, No. 101, fine o. g., slightly off center but fine copy of this rare stamp	75.00	
* 24c dark violet, re-issue, very nice copy	35.00	
*1869, 1c buff and 2c brown, Nos. 112 & 113, 1c cut in at left and 2c perfectly centered, fine	4.50	
* 3c blue, strip of 3 horizontal, No. 114, slightly cut in at bottom, but a very fine strip and quite rare, last owner paid $72.50 for this strip over 3 years ago	120.00	
3c blue, green maltese cross cancellation, scarce	..	
3c blue, same as last, green cancellation, straight edge	..	
3c blue, No. 114a, stamp is cancelled, but shows full original gum, straight edge at left	40.00	
* 10c orange, No. 116, perfs. cut in at bottom	8.00	
* 10c orange, same as last, centered E.	8.00	
* 12c green, No. 117, fairly centered	5.00	
* 15c brown & blue, No. 119, perfs. cut in at top	8.00	
* 15c brown & blue, same as last, No. 119, centered S. E.	8.00	
15c brown & blue, No. 119, fine	3.00	
* 15c brown & blue, fairly well centered	8.00	
15c brown & blue, cancelled in red and black, fine	..	
24c green & violet, No. 120, nicely centered, bright colors, fine	7.00	
* 24c green & violet, No. 120a, nicely centered, fine o. g., rare	50.00	
* 30c blue & carmine, No. 121, perfs. cut in at top	17.50	

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90c carmine & black, No. 122, slightly centered E., otherwise very fine copy of this scarce stamp	60.00	22.00
90c carmine & black, No. 122a, perfectly centered, a very fine copy of this scarce stamp	75.00	32.50
75, 2c brown, No. 124, one corner perf. missing	8.00	2.00
3c blue, No. 125, centered S. W., fine o. g.	20.00	5.00
12c green, No. 128, centered S. E.	12.50	4.25
70, 10c brown, No. 139, perfs. cut in at left, nice grill	12.50	4.10
10c brown, same as last, No. 139, perfs. cut in at bottom, plain grill	12.50	4.10
10c brown, No. 139, centered slightly W., fine	12.50	6.00
15c, No. 141, fine	25.00	8.25
15c, No. 141, same as last, grill ring cancellation, rather heavy	10.00	2.50
7c vermilion, No. 149, full o. g.	10.00	3.80
10c brown, No. 150, centered S. W.	10.00	3.00
71, 30c black, No. 154, fine copy lightly cancelled in **red**	..	2.00
73, 3c green, No. 158f, imperforate	30.00	3.50
6c dull pink, plain grill, No. 159b, fine copy	25.00	8.30
7c orange vermilion, No. 160, fair only	9.00	2.00
7c orange vermilion, same as last, perfs. slightly cut in at top	9.00	2.75
73, 10c imperf., large margins on 4 sides, as is	?	1.00
12c violet, cancelled **IN RED**, scarce thus, No. 162	?	2.50
12c violet, same as last, cancelled **IN RED**, very fine	?	2.75
12c black violet, No. 162, fine, **perfectly centered**	13.50	4.10
15c orange, No. 163, fine, **perfectly centered**	25.00	12.50
30c black, No. 165, fine copy **perfectly centered**	12.00	6.00
90c carmine, No. 166, fair copy	4.00	1.00
75, **30c greenish black, perfectly centered, one straight edge which is characteristic of the special printing, fine o. g., remarkably FINE copy of this rare stamp, No. 176**	75.00	42.50
79, 90c carmine, No. 191, fine, cancel. trifle heavy	3.50	.85
80, **Special printing, 7c scarlet vermilion, perfs. cut in at right, otherwise very nice copy of this scarce stamp, No. 196**	125.00	27.50
89, 3c, 5c, 6c, 6c, 15c, all fine copies, Nos. 158, 159 (2), 185, and 189a, 5 stamps	13.00	3.25
88, 90c purple, very nice copy	5.00	2.50
90c purple, same as last, slightly centered S.	5.00	2.35
93, $2.00 Columbian, nicely centered, No. 242	4.50	2.25
$2.00, same as last, postmarked N. Y., very fine	4.50	2.75
$4.00 carmine, No. 244, very nice copy	7.50	2.75
02, 5c blue, No. 304b, fine, imperf.	6.00	2.40
08, 10c yellow on **bluish** paper, No. 330a, very fine, **MINT**	12.50	6.50
10c yellow, another copy mint o. g., very fine, No. 330a	12.50	6.50
10c yellow, same as last, not quite so perfectly centered but still fine, mint	12.50	5.98
15c ultra. on bluish paper, No. 332a	6.00	2.25
17, $5.00 green, No. 408 o. g.	8.00	6.25
2c, block of 4, imperf. between horizontally	?	2.00
No. 410, a scarce block	?	2.00
Block of 12, 2c, 5c error, No. 414	12.40	7.25
Another block similar to above, not quite so well centered	12.40	6.75
Complete sheet (100) of above, No. 414, fairly centered	15.98	11.50
3c purple, No. 437, oddity, cracked plate	?	2.00
3c purple, same as last, No. 437, showing defective stamp in block of 12	?	3.50
Lot of 5 U. S. imperf., Nos. 226, 246, 249, 252 (unused), and No. 307, sold "as is"	?	2.00
12, 10c green, black town cancellation and 12c black and red grid cancellation, 10c sl. damaged, 12c is perfect, 2 scarce cancellations, Nos. 68 and 69	?	2.00
72, 2c, No. 73, town and date cancellation in black	?	1.00
71, 30c orange, town and date cancellation, very fair copy, No. 71	?	3.50
1, 1c blue, No. 63, postmarked Cincinnati and date in blue, a very scarce cancellation	?	2.25
1-2, 5c brown, odd cancellation, and 24c lilac red grid cancellation, latter stamp has straight edge at top, 2 interesting cancellations	?	4.00
9, 1c, No. 112, double cancellation, one in black and town cancellation and date in red, this is a very scarce cancellation	?	7.50
1-73, 7c vermilion, Nos. 149 and 160, 2 quite unusual cancellations	?	1.50
9, Executive, 10c, No. 1513, very nice copy	12.50	5.00
Justice, 3c, 6c, 12c, fair lot	4.75	2.00
Justice, 1c, 3c, 6c, 10c, good lot	9.00	3.50
Justice, 90c, No. 1533, blue cancellation, fairly well centered	35.00	10.50
State, 2c, 3c, 6c, 7c, very good lot	10.00	4.00
State, 30c, fine copy	5.00	2.00
State, $20.00, perforated proof, scarce	?	1.00
Official Seal **"POST OBITUM"**, No. 1752, scarce	4.00	3.00
Periodical, 10c green, No. 2002, straight edge at top	6.00	1.50
10c green, same as last,	6.00	1.50
25c red, No. 2003, straight edge top	6.00	1.50
9c black, No. 2010, fine copy	10.00	2.50
of Periodicals, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12c, 6 varieties	10.00	2.50
12c, 24c, 36c, last 2 unused, Nos. 2012, 2013, 2014, 3 varieties	5.50	1.40
of Newspapers, Nos. 2087 to 2098, as sold by the Government for $5.00, 12 varieties	6.00	3.25
venues, $15.00 Mortgage, No. 3896, fine	6.00	2.00
$20.00 Probate of Will, No. 3898, has sewing machine perforation through stamp, not much visible on face, nice well centered copy	35.00	10.50
2c Inverted Medallion, No. 3691, somewhat off center as usual	4.00	1.50
1898, $10.00 green, black surcharge, very fine copy, uncut	10.00	4.25
1899, $100.00 black & brown, slightly thin, No. 4043, uncut	10.00	2.50
1914, $30.00 orange, uncut, No. 4105, fine	5.00	2.50
$100.00 green, No. 4108, fine	10.00	6.00
$100.00 green, another copy same as last, fine	10.00	6.00
$100.00 green, another copy, fine, rubber stamp cancellation	10.00	6.00
1917, $30.00 orange, No. 4243, fine lightly cut copy, rare	?	
$100.00 green, No. 4246, lightly cut, 2 small v shapes, scarce	?	
$500.00 blue, No. 4247, rare stamp, cost owner $75.00	?	
$1000.00 orange, lightly cut, rare stamp, cost owner $67.50	?	
$100.00 Stock Transfer, No. 4266, almost uncut, owner paid $25.00	?	
$50.00 Future Delivery, No. 4284, uncut, rare	?	
$50.00 Future Delivery, No. 4284, cancelled with small perforated initials, worth about $20.00 Net	?	
$60.00 Future Deliv., No. 4285, uncut, worth about $35.00 Net	?	
$500.00 Future Deliv., uncut, v. fine copy, cost owner $150.00	?	
$500.00 Future Delivery, same as last, cancelled with 6 perforated letters, No. 4287, cost owner $120.00	?	
U. S. Revenues, 1917, $1000.00 Future Delivery, No. 4288, uncut, very fine, cost owner $150.00	?	
$1000.00, same as last, No. 4288, perforated with small initials, very scarce	?	
U. S. Baltimore, 1852, 1c Despatch blue, No. 1805, fine	20.00	8.00
1856, 1c black, No. 1810, fine	10.00	3.00
1c red, No. 1811, very large margins, fine	25.00	10.00
1c red, No. 1811, rather close at left	20.00	4.50
U. S. Louisville, 2c green, No. 1841, fine	10.00	5.00
Same as last, horizontal **pair**, rare and **fine**	20.00	10.00
Same as last, **block of 4**, scarce and **fine**	40.00	20.00
Same as last, block of **9**, a very **fine** and **rare piece**	90.00	45.00
19, Penny Post, No. 1813, uncancelled on piece of cover, fine	25.00	12.50
isville, 2c blue, No. 1842, fine and scarce	35.00	18.00
la., 1c gold on black, No. 1863, stamp is uncancelled and not priced that way, a scarce stamp (catalogue $25.00 used) guaranteed	?	9.00
10, 1c blue, cancelled with small red star, No. 1864, scarce stamp, guaranteed	50.00	9.00
sby local, No. 2440, slightly damaged at bottom	5.00	1.00
don local, 2c green unused, No. 2488	25.00	2.50
ecutive Dept., 1c to 10c complete surcharged **"Specimen"**, fine copies, 5 var.	?	2.50
U. S. "Specimen" 4c, No. 211, 2c Due, No. 2216 and 1c Post Office, No. 5146, 3 varieties, scarce	?	2.00
19, proofs 1, 12, 15, 24 and 30c, 5 varieties	..	1.00
U. S. Gold Beaters skin essay 1862 issue, 11 blocks of 4 in various colors, 44 stamps	?	4.00
Another lot same as last, 8 blocks of 4, 32 stamps	?	3.00

Bids Solicited on these!

Lot of U. S. Rev. Proofs India paper and cardboard, also several U. S. regular issues, 11 stamps	?	.75
Lot of die proofs on India paper **"Sanitary Fair"** issue, 8 pairs in 8 colors, interesting set	?	1.50
1887 Wrapper, 1c **greenish** blue (large piece of wrapper). This used to be catalogued several years ago and a similar copy to this wrapper was sold for $50.00	?	5.00
*U. S. Envelope, 30c, No. 2460, fine	18.00	4.50
* War Dept. 10c, No. 3242, fine	7.50	1.85
* Another similar to last	7.50	1.85
CONFEDERATES		
Charleston, 5c blue, No. 20, on piece of original, **very fine**	20.00	10.00
***Memphis** 2c blue, very fine block of 4, No. 88	10.00	5.00
5c red, very slightly cut in at top and right, No. 89	5.00	1.75
Mobile 5c, No. 97, cut in at left, fair only	12.50	3.10
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—"In the March number of *The World's Markets*, published by R. G. Dun & Co., is an article by Mr. Raymond Brennan, entitled "Improved Postal Facilities". The article is so comprehensive and timely, that I could not resist calling your attention to it, as I believe every collector of stamps will want to add a copy to his library. Mr. Brennan has written the article with a view to assisting the importer and exporter of this country in understanding the numerous postal laws of foreign lands and the tables appearing as part of the make-up of the article are of unusual interest to the average collector. The price of the magazine is 25c and I presume the R. G. Dun & Co., 290 Broadway, New York City, will forward a copy on receipt of the price."—F. D. MARKEE.

—Hon. A. Piatt Andrew, Congressman from the Sixth Mass. District, is endeavoring to have a special stamp issued in connection with the 300th anniversary of the settlement of Gloucester.

—Bill Lorence sends us some pieces of the film used to illustrate the Paris Stamp Mart which is now being featured in the movies throughout the country. Now that philately has broken into the movies there is no reason why it should not obtain as secure a hold as it has upon the press of the country.

—During the month of March, the Springfield (Mass.) Junior Philatelic Society will have a stamp exhibit at the Forest Park Library. The first week will be devoted to air-mail stamps and covers, the second will exhibit U. S. postage and the third British Colonial victory issues. The last week will be given to a general exhibit of stamps and covers from all over the world.

—"I wish to call your attention to an article 'Philately, An Indoor Sport', by John Tombs (w. k. Canadian newspaper man) appearing in Oct., 1921, *Journal of the Outdoor Life*. In December number of same, a list of stamp papers is given, as they say they received many inquiries. Also they state that as space permits, they will be glad to give names and addresses of exchangers, etc."—SHIRLEY W. READ.

—The stamp collectors of Dallas, Texas, are going to organize a stamp club at the local Y. M. C. A. Two meetings have been held and an organization effected. Meetings will be held Thursday evenings, and any collectors of Dallas and vicinity or visitors are invited to attend.—J. E. GUEST.

—"You might be interested to know that last week while at a movie show, they showed a news reel, one of the items of which was the open air stamp mart in Paris. They also went on to show various of the German and French shops where stamps were on display. One of the most curious was a store advertising butter, cheese and eggs and as a side line, postage stamps for collections."—EDMUND S. WARD.

—Jos. S. Rich, for nineteen years associated with the Scott Stamp and Coin Co. and treasurer of that firm when he retired in 1913, was married on Jan. 26, 1922, to Miss Elizabeth Hayman, at Delmonico's, New York City. Mr. Rich, who was an active collector of U. S. telegraph stamps some years ago, and who still possesses his fine and well-known philatelic library, will be remembered by the older collectors and dealers. Congratulations!

—We have received from Percy M. Mann a postcard that is really unique. It is the regulation card bearing an advertising feature in connection with the Sesqui-Centennial Celebration to be held at Philadelphia in 1926, in commemoration of the Declaration of Independence. The card bears in large type the figures "1776-1926" while diagonally across the face is this inscription, "Philadelphia Cradle of Liberty Exposition 1926". The printing is all in green, the color of the stamp.

ALVIN GOOD, AGENT.

An advertisement elsewhere in this issue announcing the sale of a large part of the Worthington collection by Alvin Good, will be noted with interest. This great collection has had considerable newspaper publicity in recent months but matters have now been fully adjusted. Mr. Good is disposing of some very desirable stamps and many of our readers will, no doubt, be interested in seeing what can be done in meeting their wants.

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BURTON PARKER FINED.

NEW HAVEN, March 4.—Burton Parker, son of the late Rev. Dr. Edwin Pond Parker, was fined $500 and costs by Judge Thomas in the federal court yesterday on charges of using the mails to defraud. Parker, who holds a position with a Hartford manufacturing concern, was arrested December 19, 1921, when he went to Farmington to get answers to his mail, was held for the federal grand jury by United States Commissioner Frederic J. Corbett in Hartford. Parker was indicted yesterday and later pleaded guilty. His scheme was apparently to get possession of very valuable stamp collections and in furtherance of his plan he had some letterheads of the Winchester Repeating Arms Company of New Haven printed, bearing the name of J. D. Anderson as treasurer. The correct name of the treasurer is R. E. Anderson.

Using the letterheads, Parker wrote to various stamp collectors under the name of J. D. Anderson and directed that stamps be sent on approval to his country home, sometimes in Farmington, sometimes in Cromwell. His exposé came about through his correspondence with H. F. Colman of Washington. Mr. Colman sent one of the "J. D. Anderson" letters back to the Winchester office. While an investigation was on, another of the letters came back to the Winchester plant which had been sent by Parker to Elliott Perry at Plainfield, N. J. It was on this specific case that Parker was arrested by the postal inspectors and a deputy marshal at Farmington.—*Press Clipping.*

"AN UNQUENCHABLE THIRST."

In the general run of papers an article with this heading would arouse considerable curiosity. It must produce even more of a sensation when found in a stamp paper. In these days there are many thirsty people, not only in Portland and Beverly, but in other metropolitan centers of the country. The "thirst" to which we refer, however, is a perfectly proper one and Mr. J. W. Sampson, 132 Nassau St., N. Y. City, admits that he has an "unquenchable thirst" for information concerning the 7c vermillion of 1871. He especially desires to inspect odd cancellations, covers, etc., that shall help him in the completion of a serial soon to be commenced in our columns. Who of our readers will favor not only Mr. Sampson but the WEEKLY as well by complying with his request?

FOR MEKEEL'S WEEKLY

"MISH."

By EDWIN B. HILL, Ysleta, Texas.

To H. C. B.

It is fervently hoped by the scribe this friend Mish will not read this is of the WEEKLY. Mish is a gentle s but there are limits even to Mi gentleness. Perhaps he may believe is one of them. I, however, am optimistic. But to the tale.

Mish is about twenty-five, tall rugged. He is an American cow- out of Mexico,—former soldier in U A. World War. He has seen hard amongst the peons and the hidalgos, he has been the target for knives bullets in that peaceful land of *man* which the border newspapers so optim tically call civilized. But not M Driven out of Mexico during one of several revolts, and suffering from r of so-called patriotic bands, but ban in fact, Mish still loves the land soutl the Rio Grande, and longs to retur even as I for Arizona.

I was in the neighboring city of Paso, a month ago, gazing into the w dow of a certain art shop which abou in food for the soul. Mish saw from the opposite side of the street, came over.

"There's a pciture over here on M Avenue that you sure need to own," clared Mish, without further prelimin "Come on!"

We came, and saw, and when I for this ancient town the picture under my arm.

A little bit of colorful blue, with haze of Arizona at the foot of Su stition's cliffs; in the foreground a s aro, with a winding road and cacti greasewood. And the soul of the de in every brushstroke! May the god kind to George Perry, the artist. has made my heart of hearts glad, his sight of Arizona—the road which I have ridden many times oft—all the bits of color which m home to the homesick, are here. much had Mish done for me.

A fortnight ago, I learned that M was in hospital. His friend and fell exile, Frank, informed me that the geons said Mish was not a subject them, but for the physician. Frank d a ruin of a flivver, for which he traded what he termed a perfectly g horse. He was of the pitching, buck brand, and when he was in actio was beautiful to see the masterly of his rider. Mish also had a ho which he assured me he wouldn't a million dollars for, although his c mercial value was not to exceed proverbial thirty cents, and Mex that. Mish did not exaggerate. I l seen the horse in action.

Mish lay in bed, a scowl upon his f "They done wanted to take my clo away from me," he declared, patl cally. I saw the logic of it. I m mention, however, that Mish's clo consisted of the usual adjuncts, ph pair of spurs with rowels as larg saucers, and a pair of the most won ful shaps that were ever evolved ou steer-hide. Next to his very recalcit pony, Mish loved the spurs, and to the spurs the shaps. Before t however, he placed his friends. I luckily in the category of the last-na

Mish was lonesome. He suffered n pain, but that did not trouble him. also smoked numberless cigarettes, wh he declared, relieved his peace of m and sure disrupted the rules of the pital. For this, however, Mish c little, and the nurse was kindly dispo

"Not a thing to do but drink milk eat raw eggs. When I ain't mooin' cacklin'," declared Mish, sadly. "A say! I cain't read anything worth w here, count o' them growin' pains, everybody's so darn kind I hate to away, except now an' then".

I heard the faint honk of an auto bile horn. Mish sat up, a beatific s on his face. "That's him", he whispe Then, to my surprise, Mish eme from the bed, pulled forty feet of t from beneath the bed-clothes, hitche dexterously to the bed-post, and

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ceeded to drop the other end out of the window, following it swiftly two stories down. I looked out. Frank sat in this ruin of a flivver. He grinned at me. Mish was on the lawn, teetering toward the waiting car. He climbed in, and waved to me as they disappeared around the corner.

The nurse looked in, a smile on her merry Irish face.

"Gone again? It's all right. The doctor said to humor him. He thinks he must stay here and never get out until he is discharged. Poor boy! He suffers much pain, but what he needs is this reaction to make him bear it. He'll be back in twenty minutes."

The nurse and I chatted for a space. Then she slipped from the room. A minute passed, and the head of Mish came into view. His eyes scanned the room. Then he slid over the sill, crept into bed, after hiding out the riata, and announced:

"Sure feel real human now. Think I can stand it couple er three days more without bustin' out, 'cept once more this evening. This do-nothing but cackle an' moo gets into them places where my nerves ought to be."

Mish blew a cloud of smoke, and then talked of Mexico. It was a country he knew and loved. I had an inspiration, and asked of the postal affairs of the country. Mish had a hazy knowledge of this aspect of things, but of men and manners he was well informed. I showed him a few Mexican revolutionaries, which I had just picked up in South El Paso, and he became interested. I promised him a few monographs on the stamps of the troubled republic, and meantime I loaned him my Scott's, the pages of which he turned interestedly.

"These stamps I remember", said Mish, pointing to certain reproductions. "And these", pointing to others. "Especially these. It was when these were issued they tried to get me,—those revolutionaries. Mistook me for another fellow, and one of them threw a knife at me. It went two inches into the door right beside my head. I didn't stop to argue with 'em. No use. Crazy patriot with a six-shooter or a knife—maybe and a knife—is no *hombre* to talk sense into. So I faded, and after a few more like it I came North".

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"Just look over back o' the bed, there, and dig 'em out".

I complied. "Them" consisted of the most wretched example of oil painting that ever was perpetrated, a quite impossible paper flower in a pot, and the most exquisite bit of coloring on a dainty little jar that I had ever seen out of Mexico.

"Set 'em up!" ordered Mish. I did. Then he grinned delightedly, chuckled, rolled a cigarette, poisoned the air after an inhalation from which he was long in recovering, and declared:

"Horrible,—most horrible! Should a-given 'im life er six years er nacherly shot 'im! Frank did it. Thought he'd give me something to make me forget my pains".

Mish chuckled. Then he asked for the little bit of art.

"This one he got off a poor Mexican who was trying to sell his stuff to the natives. Now, that's the real thing. You find these craftsmen all over Mexico. Frank got this one for you. Me,—I draw the works of art".

Mish laughed again. And then we fell to discussing stamps and Mexico issues. Mish was an apt pupil, and before the afternoon had begun to wane he had absorbed no little knowledge of the Mexican situation from the philatelic standpoint. The catalogue interested him beyond words. We talked stamps between dips into the mysteries of issues and varieties, and finally Mish became so absorbed that he had no word for me except an occasional query.

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from the pages of the catalogue. There was a louder honk. Mish moved restlessly. A few moments later and the blatant squawk roused Mish from his studies.

"About two more like that an' he'll go to jail. No use annoying patients in a hospital", declared the imperturbable Mish.

I wanted to laugh. Mish's seriousness held me, and I was content to await developments. They came. There was a prolonged squawk, a silence, and then the swift passage of the ruin.

"Just about then the police got after 'im!" declared Mish.

I rose to go.

"Tell Frank I've got no time for joy-riding", said Mish. "Tell him to come on in next time. Tell 'im I'm now studyin' philately. That sure'll get 'im. He won't know what it means. An' when he finds out, he'll know I've gone plumb out o' my head".

I said farewell, and, as I went out of the door, Mish added: "An' t' git plumb out o' my haid I ain't got far to go!"

This last objurgation, however, left me in doubt as to my own status with the imperturbable Mish.

STAMP COLLECTORS NEED NERVE.

By H. R. JANSEN.

Talk about nerve; it is certainly required by stamp collectors in trying to impress upon the uninitiated the fact that they really want "that nice precancelled 30c stamp" off that package, etc. It is remarkable the great ignorance shown by the vast majority. "What do you want with them?" or "what do you do with them?" is the howl. Little do they know of the genuine sport attached to collecting stamps.

I have a travel job which takes me to many small towns, and the cities, in the central states on the Santa Fe line. The postmasters seem to be the most ignorant of all of the fact that there are some "crazy" people who want to go thru their waste basket in the hopes of a reward philatelically. If there is one honest job of all others I do want, it is to be a postmaster in a small town. The golden opportunities thrown before the average postmaster are reflex of the casting of pearls before swine.

As to my opening sentence; one requires nerve of the iron sort to go into an accessory dealer's place, for instance, and ask if he has had any packages by U. S. mail lately and if so, would he give the inquirer the stamps? I did get up nerve enough to go to the custodian of a state capital and ask permission to "browse" around in the basement where janitor's bale waste paper, and I certainly will go again some day soon I hope, as there was some nice picking, although nothing rare discovered. But I fear the day is past when one can go into some old, old drug store, and discover the 6c, 10c, 50c, 1.00 or $5.00 Proprietary, at least out in this western country.

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BRITISH HONDURAS, 1891-1902.

By HARRY E. HUBER.

I.

Queen Victoria, "Postage—Postage", 1891-98.

From 1857 and until distinctive stamps were issued by British Honduras, contemporary English stamps were used at Belize. These can only be identified by the postmark,—an ellipse on side, formed of three thick bars of unequal length, above and below A 06, which has two thinner bars at either side.

The design of the first postage stamps issued by the Colony, embodied a diademed head of Queen Victoria within a buckled garter, and comprised three values, 1d, 6d and 1s on unwatermarked paper. They were received at Belize on November 28, 1865, and issued early in the following month.

In March, 1872, a 3d stamp was added to the series, on paper watermarked with Crown and CC, and gradually, the other values appeared on this paper.

Entry into the Universal Postal Union on April 1st, 1879, necessitated a 4d stamp for foreign letters, and this addition appeared in the following July.

Crown and CA paper was used for the 4d issued in July, 1882, and in 1884, the 1d blue on this paper was added. In the course of the next three years, the 1d, 6d and 1s in changed colors, on Crown and CA paper, made their debut.

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In July, 1891, the first five values of a permanent series of postage stamps appeared, viz., 2c, 3c, 6c, 12c and 24c, while in December of that year the 1c was added. In 1895, the foreign letter rate was reduced from 6c to 5c, and 5c and 10c stamps were issued, in the colors of the 6c and 12c, which they replaced. The series was completed in March, 1898, by the addition of the 25c.

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in a circle within a square. Conventional ornamentation fills the spandrels. On either side of the square are vertical tablets containing the word POSTAGE in colored sans serif letters, on a plain ground, reading up and down, at the left and right respectively. At the top is a blank label and at the bottom a hexagonal shaped opening, for reception of the duty, or overprint plate impression, which embodies the Colony's name and tablet of value. At either side of the tablet of value is foliate ornamentation.

The stamps were printed in sheets of 120, 2 panes of 60 each, side by side, each pane containing 10 horizontal rows of 6 stamps, separated by a narrow gutter.

The plate number, which is a large uncolored figure "2" on a solid circle of color enclosed by a thin colored circle, appears four times to the sheet, above the 2nd and 5th stamps of the left and right panes, respectively, and under the corresponding stamps in the lower row. Surrounding each pane is a continuous Jubilee marginal line, which with the plate number, is a part of the keyplate, and of course printed in the color of the keyplate impression.

Plate 2 was used for all values, and in addition, the 1c was printed from plate 3, which replaced plate 2 about 1899.

For the 1c, 2c, 3c, 5c, and 6c stamps, the duty plates had the numerals in color on a plain ground, while those for the 10c, 12c, 24c and 25c had them colorless on a horizontally lined ground.

The paper on which the stamps were printed is white wove, watermarked with the device of the Royal Crown over the letters CA, these being arranged in groups of 60 subjects, to correspond with the stamps on the sheet, allowing one complete device to appear on each stamp. Each group of 60 subjects is enclosed by a single line watermarked frame. The margins of the sheets are watermarked CROWN AGENTS FOR —THE COLONIES, the first three words reading up at the left, and the others down, at the right.

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More than one printing was made of some of the values, and the 12c and 24c especially, appear in pronounced shades.

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10c	mauve and green,	1895
12c	mauve and green, a. violet and green.	July, 1891
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25c	red brown and green,	Mar. 1898

II.

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THE POSTAGE STAMPS OF BELGIUM.

By BERTRAM W. H. POOLE.

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We suggest that the compound gauge is the work of two distinct machines. It is more than possible that after a time the sheets of stamps requiring perforating were so numerous that it was found to expedite matters considerably to have one workman perforate sheets one way on one machine and another to finish them on another machine. This would not only satisfactorily account for the two different gauges but also for the constancy with which the 12½ is the horizontal one and the 13½ that found vertically. Obviously if two machines were used it would be much simpler for all sheets to be run in one direction in one machine especially as there was considerable difference in the length and width of the sheets.

All four values are found perforated 12½ as well as 12½ by 13½ and Gibbons also lists a variant of the latter gauging 12½ by 13. Mr. Castle was of the opinion that these slight variations were, like the assumed varying dimensions of the stamps themselves, due only to the shrinkage of paper, and other writers have expressed the same opinion. This, however, can hardly be correct as the paper must have been quite dry when the sheets were sent to be perforated. In our opinion the 13½ perforation is not a true 13½ but would more accurately be described as 13¾ and that the method in which Gibbons used to describe it—12½ by 13, 13½—is more correct.

Finally all four values were perforated 14½, this new gauge first coming into use in September, 1865, according to Mr. Castle. This perforation was, therefore, in use but a short time, although the stamps were available for postage until July 1st, 1866, when, Mr. Moens tells us, "the reserve with those of the 1849 stamps was burnt."

Mr. Bouvez lists a number of perforations no one else seems to have heard of—evidently derived from a faulty use of that very necessary philatelic appliance known as the perforation gauge. The same writer says "Besides these different perforations, we find among the four values in use a number of errors—stamps partly lacking perforation—as a result of defective working of the machine. It is thus that we have found specimens imperforate or partially perforated, either horizontally or vertically." While such varieties are, of course, possible, we have been unable to find any corroboration of their existence.

All the perforated stamps were printed from the 300 subject plates and as there was no thought of using perforation when the plates were constructed the spaces left between the vertical and horizontal were quite inadequate, especially for the 12½ gauge. Consequently even reasonably well centered stamps are scarce and in the vast majority the perforation impinges on at least one side of the design. As several printings were made, numerous shades are found, those of the 1 centime being particularly pronounced.

As the same plates were used as for the imperforate stamps the same recut frames lines, etc., are to be found and as a good many impressions were taken from these plates from first to last, they began eventually to show decided signs of wear. This is especially the case with the 1 centime some of the late printing showing hardly any trace of the vertical lines in the shading of the portrait medallion or the finer lines of the foliate ornamentation.

In connection with this value, too, we find the most interesting and most prominent of any of the Belgian retouches, and the only one regarding which a positive assertion can be made that the plate was retouched some years after it has been first put to press. Some time during the later life of this stamp the upper left hand corner of the plate was so badly damaged that the designation of value at the bottom failed to print properly and this was crudely repaired by hand. That this retouch owes its origin entirely to an accident to this particular impression and not to wear only is proved by the fact that other equally worn impressions in the same part of the plate, but on which the value still showed clearly, were not retouched at all. This striking retouch has been claimed as a more or less recent discovery but it was known at least as early as 1867 as shown by the following extract from the *Stamp Collector's Magazine* for January 1st of that year.

"THE OLD 1c BELGIAN STAMP.

Each of the later-printed sheets of this stamp contains one impression—the one in the upper right hand corner—which differs from the rest. Probably the die from which that impression was printed had, through its exposed position, received some injury, or the press bore more heavily on it, whereby some of the letters in CENTIME were battered and rendered illegible. It became necessary to re-touch or re-cut the letters CENT, and the work being roughly performed they are very unshapely, and encroach on the border. The N in UN also appears to have been touched up and spoilt. The new 1c Belgian stamp was thoroughly needed, for the old dies had so deteriorated from the number of impressions taken from them, that the delicate design of the border, so conspicuous in the unperforated specimens, is almost imperceptible in the later sheets, which being, moreover, printed with very light ink presented quite a washed-out appearance."

Mr. Overy Taylor also mentioned this retouch some four years later. As the damage was to the left top corner of the plate it, of course, shows on the upper right hand stamp of the printed sheets. This retouch only exists in connection with the perforated stamps and while Gibbons' lists it only with the 12½ perforation it should certainly exist with the others if, as seems to be generally conceded, this 12½ gauge was the first one employed.

In the other values the design shows less deterioration, but, in all, it is easy to recognize the effect of several years, wear and as new plates had become imperative the government decided on the issue of an entirely new series of stamps.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

PORTUGUAL AIR MAIL.

The French company, Transaerienne de Tourisme et Messageries, is making overtures to the Portuguese Government for valuable concessions in Portugal and the islands and also in Portuguese Africa, American Minister Thomas H. Birch states that the company proposes a mail and passenger service for Lisbon, Paris being the starting point. Transportation of Portuguese mail and the relinquishment of air material to Portugal in case of war are some of the inducements offered by the company. The regular colonial postage stamps will be overprinted in Portuguese reading COLONIES AIR MAIL.

THE "POST PAID" MAURITIUS.

By C. A. HOWES.

(Translated by Permission from Messrs. Theodore Champion's "Monthly Bulletin" and will later be reprinted in booklet form.)

[*Continued from Vol. XXXV, page 687.*]

Reconstructed Plate of the Two Pence "Post Paid" Mauritius of August, 1848.

We continue with the description of the characteristics which permit the identification of the twelve different stamps which constitute the plate of the *Two Pence*, as reproduced herewith.

The vignettes of the *Two Pence* appear at first sight to be less clear and not so bold as those of the *One Penny*, a fact due solely to the color which is a very bright and pleasing tint as seen upon fresh specimens; but the vermilion color of the *One Penny* surely makes a better impression upon the eye and the engraving therefore appears to be more carefully done. It is especially in the copies of the *Two Pence* printed during the later years, when the plate had become worn, that one comes across specimens having only a remote resemblance to the first printings; but for each of the types, fortunately, there are always remaining some letters or some indications which permit of their being identified in spite of their poor appearance.

In the following table we have given some supplementary indications to the principal distinguishing features as, for example, for the star ornaments we mention *at the bottom, at the right,* that is to say shifted towards the bottom or towards the right hand.

(a) ORNAMENTS (o) and CORNERS (c).

Type.	ABOVE. Left.	ABOVE. Right.	BELOW. Left.	BELOW. Right.
1.	o. large.	c. small and heavily shaded.	c. regular and shaded.	o. large, low down in frame.
2.	o. small.	c. narrow, shaded.	c. square, shaded.	o. elongated.
3.	o. shifted to left.	c. narrow, shaded.	c. square, shaded.	o. quite small.
4.	o. large.	c. narrow, shaded.	c. square, shaded.	o. small, toward the bottom.
5.	o. small, short line at bottom of c.	c. narrow, the 2 end lines forming a cross at right.	c. wide, shaded.	o. small, toward the right.
6.	o. small, narrow.	c. narrow, shaded.	c. square, shaded.	o. small.
7.	o. small and faint.	c. square.	c. square.	o. small and well formed.
8.	o. wide & flattened.	c. narrow, 2 lines like No. 5.	c. wide, shaded.	o. small, toward the right.
9.	o. small. c. oblique line at top.	c. narrow, shaded.	c. narrow, bottom line very thin.	o. small.
10.	o. small, irregular.	c. narrow.	c. wide.	o. small.
11.	o. small.	c. narrow.	c. wide.	o. small.
12.	o. wide.	c. narrow, shaded.	c. square, shaded.	o. small.

(b) INSCRIPTIONS.

Type.	Postage.	Post Paid.	Mauritius.	Two Pence.
1.	E very far from frame	O small, P and D wide.	A and both U's thin.	W malformed.
2.	G very large.	both P's large.	inscription heavy.	inscription small.
3.	P near frame, S large.	S small, I thin. both P's malformed.	M well formed. S elongated.	inscription small. W malformed. E against corner.
4.	AGE very large.		first U very narrow.	inscription regular, T touches corner.
5.	P narrow and near frame. TGE very large.	inscription large.	S elongated.	T touches corner. P wide.
6.	large and regular.	second P and D heavy.	M and S malformed.	WO quite small. E far from corner.
7.	legs of T and E wide.	I narrow, D malformed.	M thin.	error PENOE.
8.	P thin and near frame. S and E large.	POST narrow. P and D heavy.	first U narrow. R wide.	TWO wide. C thin.
9.	inscription large. T wide.	P heavy, with small loop. A slanting.	first U smaller than second. S malformed.	W slanting. P large.
10.	P small. O thin. E far from frame.	both P's and T large.	both U's thin. S large and near corner.	C small. O malformed.
11.	E large and malformed. A slanting.	O malformed. S well formed.	M thicker on right. R large. S well formed.	O small and wide. P very large. CE thin.
12.	G large. S wide.	both P's large. A shorter.	A larger at right. S malformed.	T joined to W. P small and heavy. E touches corner.

(To be continued.)

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OTHER PROFITEERING SCHEME.

By HUBERT LYMAN CLARK.

we all like to run some one else's ess, I want to invite stamp dealers collectors to listen to me a minute I expose another profiteering ne.

ne weeks ago a block of four of urrent 80c Azores was offered me 2.25. I looked up the catalogue and found it to be $1.10 per stamp, .25 for the block seemed very rea- ble, didn't it? But it happened that ast had a letter from a correspond- n Portugal who said he had gotten cudos for a dollar bill I sent him. an escudo worth 9c, or let's call it r convenience, the face value of an lock is 32c. If we allow the buyer r cent. over face, for his prof- at would make 40c a fair price for lock, but suppose we allow 25 per more for "risk", it seems as tho ught to make the sale a very prof- one for the dealer. How about st of the $2.25?

it week, a dealer, whom I know sent me a block of the current Austria, at 75 cents. I sent it back alled his attention to the fact that ace value of the block is about 13 cents and I couldn't understand his He replies that dealers abroad wholesalers from whom he buys, their prices on Scott's and Yvert- r's catalogues and ignore the rate change. This seems to me extraor- y and I am sure is a condition could not persist a month in any business. I cannot see why any ican dealer, or collector either, d deliberately pay good money for s to a dealer abroad at a rate l times what the same stamps l cost at the post-office. Of course, talking of normal issues of cur- stamps. I think if both American s and collectors everywhere l refuse to be overcharged in this and would consider carefully the *value in American money* of the s they buy, there would be a d drop in the prices of many cur- stamps.

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A LETTER FROM DR. CLARK.

(The article by Hubert Lyman Clark on used blocks has attarcted wide attention and much favorable comment. In a letter just at hand the author touches upon various topics in such an interesting manner that we venture to publish part of the letter. We have not asked permission so to do, but feel that the subjects considered are of general interest. It is a type of the letter which frequently reaches the office, and should be passed on to our circle of readers.—W. O. W.)

I am chagrined to note that in my article on U. S. blocks, under the 1869 issue, I failed to put any price on a block of the 90c. Can you put in an item to this effect:

A used block of the 90c 1869 is worth from $100 up, according to condition. One which was only mediocre brought over $200 at auction recently, while a somewhat better one was offered me at about the same time for $125. If we use "$25 for a block of the 30c" as a criterion, then we may consider $150 as a fair price for the 90c.

Permit me to wax enthusiastic over the editorial "Asks" in the WEEKLY. I agree completely with Mr. Powell on the subject of cancelled-to-order stamps and cancelled remainders (which he doesn't happen to mention). Were I a dealer, I should consider just as dishonorable to sell as a *used* stamp, one which I knew had never been *used*, as to sell for unused one which had been cleaned and regummed. Of course, we all know that it is impossible to always tell whether a given stamp has been used or not, but in the great majority of cases, the dealer knows. I wish the WEEKLY would insist on a distinction being made between used and cancelled stamps. Our best auction dealers now make the distinction in their catalogs.

You will be interested to know that while I was greatly disappointed in the *number* of responses to my big ad., I am amply repaid in cash. I only received about twenty letters, instead of the fifty or more that I expected. But the sales have run up to over $500 so I can't complain. Only *one* response has come to my "want to buy" appeal. I think that advertising "to buy" is the least satisfactory advertising there is. I have tried both in this country and England and practically no one pays any attention to such an ad. Personally I can't understand it. Were I a dealer, I should pounce on such ads and make every effort to get a permanent customer out of such an advertiser, for obviously a man who will spend money to advertise the fact that he wants to buy, must be willing to spend money for the stamps he wants. Another thing I have noticed is the lack of persistence of American dealers, *as a rule*, as compared with English. Bright & Son and Geo. C. Ginn & Co. never let up in sending me blocks. They may not send more than two but every month or two, and usually oftener, they send something. The Toledo Stamp Co. is the notable exception among American dealers. For *twelve* years now, they have kept my wants in mind and every month, or sometimes several times in a month, they send me something. Naturally it makes me feel good towards them. I estimate that about two-thirds of what I spend for blocks (and it has run to over a thousand dollars a year for several years now) goes to England. As I have said the English dealers are more persistent and their prices *average* distinctly lower.

Two of my latest purchases may interest you:—Great Britain, 1891, £1 Queen's head, a superb block I have sought for long, also an exquisite block of six Nova Scotia 1c No. 9a. I had Eugene Klein validate this last item before I bought it. I feared it was too good to be true. The Queen's head pound was in a London auction and as the catalog only reached me three days before the sale, I had to cable my bid. However, it worked OK and I am correspondingly elated.

NEUROPE AS AN INVESTMENT.

By HAROLD K. FREDERICK.

I recently read an article in defence of New Europe stuff, where the writer said that we had always used as a strong point in favor of "collecting" among school boys, the fact that it taught geography—and that there is more "geography" in New Europe than ever in U. S. or Br. Cols. Well, the outcome of pondering over this was a renewal of my interest in New Europe. And with the renewed interest came first a desire to know just how bad I had been hit by them—that was the cause of my giving them up.

I figured that my present collection could be replaced for about one-fourth of what I put into it and recalled especially a few purchases:—Latvija maps at 50c and 75c each. Jugo Slavia, Nos. 1-16 at $6.75 and Nos. 401-15 at $3.25; Lithunia Nos. 40-49 at $2.00; Fiume, Nos. 27-43 at $5.00 and Nos. 73-84 at $2.50. Well, I added them up—catalog in one column and cost in another. Fortunately I had kept the cost price on practically everything. Here and there I found some very good items—stuff that the Neuropean calamity howlers don't talk about: Cilicia on Turkish varieties costing about $10.00 and now cataloging about $24.00. Cilicia, first O. M. F. set and the following set purchased at about ¼ catalog. Marienwerder Nos. 24-39 complete now cat. $28.15 cost me $14.75. In fact, the plebisite issues held up almost without exception to a catalogue price of around double cost.

Bringing everything to a total I find that the whole lot of New European issues only, about 1,800 varieties, cost me just about 85% of their present Scott's valuation! And we all know that Scott is low on lots of this stuff and I believe that another year or two is going to see some surprising advances on some items.

Those of us who have laid aside their New Europe, disappointed with losses and not taking the gains into account, will do well to get out the old book and add 'em up like I did. The chances are you'll be surprised. Anyway, remember that these stamps are the most interesting historically and geographically of anything philately has ever seen. And prices are on the bottom now.

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NEWS GLEANINGS

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited, as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—A. W. McIntyre informs us that the stamp club at Saskatoon, Canada, is holding regular meetings this winter. Edmonton has recently organized with a score of members to begin with. Mr. McIntyre sends a specimen of the new 1c card with stamp in orange and it bears the postmark "Remember the—National Fish Day—February 1."

—We are continually being reminded by our patrons that our office is being given as a reference in connection with philatelic operations. May we reiterate what we have often said, that under no circumstances do we ever permit the name of the WEEKLY or our firm name to be used as a reference. If anybody knows one of the proprietors well enough and has the necessary authority to use his name as a reference, well and good. But even so, write the reference.

—Bela Szekula, Lucerne, Switzerland, is another of our correspondents who advises us of the dangerous forgeries of Roumania, Scott's 351-362, made recently in Brussels. Mr. Szekula includes a set of the forgeries for our inspection.

—A. A. Leve sends us a Syracuse, N. Y., meter permit. It is No. 1, and was used by the New York Telephone Co. of that city. Permit No. 14, at hand from New York City, is being used by the American Tel. & Tel. Co.

—L. G. Davis, 91 Eastern Promenade, Portland, Me., would like to secure the WEEKLY for the dates Jan. 15, July 2 and Aug. 27, 1921. Who is the kind-hearted philatelist to respond to the appeal?

—A. E. Hardman calls our attention to correspondence that has taken place between the postmaster of Halifax and himself. He received an envelope postmarked "St. John's, Nfld. Nov. 21, 1921" while on the reverse side there were two postmarks, one under date of Nov. 23 from the same city and the other "Halifax N. S., Feb. 4, 11.30 P.M., 1922". Mr. Hardman was led to inquire concerning the discrepancy in dates as quoted above and wrote to the postmaster at Halifax, from whose letter we quote: "The airmail from St. John's, Newfoundland after making two attempts, failed to materialize, and the Newfoundland government at last forwarded all correspondence by ordinary mail".

SPRING BACK BINDER

WHAT YOU HAVE LONG WAITED FOR.

If you would like a heavy spring back binder large enough to hold the WEEKLY as it appears week by week during the entire year, place your order with us for the binder described elsewhere in this issue. The price will be $1.50, but no money should be sent with order. We will advise you as to the time and manner of remittance.

This binder has been devised by Joseph Hoffman, secretary of the New York Philatelic Society, and is a superb production.

SEVERN-WYLIE-JEWETT CO. BEVERLY, MASS.

—Cleveland has been infested with a plague of boys who have solicited approval selections and stolen stamps from local dealers. Erwin Strasser, Sta. C, Cleveland, O., sends us the particulars. He mentions the names of the boys, Blumenfeld, Blumenfield, Tannenbaum, Finnenbaum, etc., with variations as to the first names. The Cuyahoga Stamp Club also figures in correspondence. Mr. Strasser writes:—"After grilling the boys for several hours I found that they had defrauded many dealers. When I realized what they had done I took the law into my own hands and seized three collections. Please insert an item in the WEEKLY to have interested dealers write me concerning their losses, and if the stamps can be located in these albums they will be returned."

—The Penn Stamp Co., Phila., Pa., has an unsigned order from Muskegon, Michigan. Please send name and address.

—H. P. Atherton submits a specimen of a handsome sticker that has been gotten up by the Springfield Stamp Club to advertise the convention of the American Philatelic Society, August 14-17. It shows a fine view of the municipal buildings in the civic center, and is printed in four colors.

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POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT.

Post Offices

Note—Compensation of Postmasters, and net proceeds of their offices from July 1, 1846, to June 30, 1847.

Post Offices—Canada.

Note—Agents who receive postages in the British Provinces, from 1st April, 1846, to 31st December, 1846.

Post Offices and Postmasters.			Compensation.	Net proceeds
Brockville, Thos. A. Stayner,	3 qrs.,		$22.06	$ 51.28
Kingston,	"	"	455.44	824.38
Montreal,	"	"	890.62	2,348.11
Niagara,	"	"	53.31	95.76
Prescott,	"	"	135.92	194.25
Quebec,	"	"	246.41	453.45
Queenstown,	"	"	1,810.10	3,272.43
Stanstead,	"	"	189.98	310.24
Toronto,	"	"	255.03	609.54
Windsor,	"	"	87.38	174.06
St. Andrews, New Brunswick, J. Howe, from 1st July,			766.95	1,494.83
Woodstock, New Brunswick, J. Howe, from 1st July,			130.34	207.08
Total,			$5,043.54	10,035.41

HOW "PINK BACK" STAMPS ARE FORMED.

By D. D. BEROLZHEIMER, Chemical Editor *Chemical Engineering Catalog*, N. Y.

I dislike very much to disagree with a fellow philatelist, who is also a fellow chemist, as to a chemical explanation of certain philatelic phenomena.

It happens, however, that when the "pink backs" first appeared, I thoroughly investigated the matter and had the cooperation of the leading dyestuff chemist in this country.

Mr. Rich's explanation of the action of "aniline oil" on paper (cellulose) is perfectly correct in all respects, but it does not apply to the "pink backs", because aniline as such, does *not* enter into any of the dyestuffs used for the inks for printing stamps.

While some of the ink dyestuffs are made from aniline, they are made from intermediate compounds which, in turn, may be made from aniline or from aniline derivatives.

There is no dyestuff on the market today which contains free aniline and there never was.

The action of rubber, containing traces of aniline on canvas or other fabric, while perfectly correct, is no criterion for stamp printing, because "aniline oil" is used directly in the rubber industry.

The true explanation of the "pink backs" on 2c, 3c, 12c and special delivery stamps is found in the fact that printing ink is a mixture (not a solution) of dyestuffs, oil and drier. The correct color cannot be obtained by the use of one dyestuff alone, so that it is necessary to use two or more. It often happens that one of the dyestuffs used is quite soluble in oil and therefore "strikes through" producing a "pink back". The dyestuffs used during the war for printing our stamps were German, not American, and were *not* aniline dyestuffs, altho they were made from coal-tar derivatives.

Incidentally, I may state that methylene blue is soluble in water and would wash out of a stamp if used in the printing ink, and is rarely, if ever, used. Artificial ultramarine, however, is used to a large extent., as are also coal-tar dyestuffs other than methylene blue.

We were able to absolutely identify the dyestuffs in the 2c, 3c and 12c stamps, *all* of which were alizarine or toluol derivatives, and not a single line dyestuff was found.

Mr. Rich's statement that the "back" stamps are all products o "period since the making of co colors in this country began," is s what misleading, because we have a dyestuff industry of respectable ever since 1882 or earlier.

Any trouble experienced has not been due to the inferior qualit American dyes, but to the fact tha dyestuff user has tried to economi using a cheaper substitute, often a dye meant for cotton only, to wool or silk. American dyestuff every bit as good as German pro if properly used.

HERRMANN JEWELS

Scott's Nos.
2321 U. S., 6c red on white, entire un'd
2325 U. S., 6c red on buff, entire un'd
2335 U. S., 3c pink on or., entire un'd
1 to 6 Caroline Is., compl. set of 6 or cover to Nüremberg .....
18 to 23, exc. 20 Corea 1900-1, set of 1 on cover to N. Y. .....
39 to 51 Corea 1903, set of 13 on cove to N. Y. .....
500 pair and 503, German Off. in Tur key on cover to N. Y. .....
655 to 654 India C. E. F. cpl. on cover
7 to 12 Marshall Is. compl. on cover t Nuremberg .....
2 Prussia with 6 and 7sgr envelope used as adhesives on cove from Zullishan to Berlin ..

There are lots more of these.

BURGER & CO., 90 Nassau St., New

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We are very desirous of securin assistance of our subscribers in g new names for our mailing list. I one of you knows somebody who terested in stamp collecting and al need do is exhibit a copy of WEEKLY to arouse interest in our lication. This will be especially tr the face of the fact that we offer sirable premium to introduce our lication to persons who have never the paper before.

A list of good premiums is given with, and any one of the numbe be given either to the new subscri to the person sending in the new scription. The premium may go t or the other, as preferred. We some subscription forms convenie use that we shall be glad to s subscribers who would like to have names appear upon our monthly r honor. If you believe in philatel believe in the WEEKLY you shou able to talk it and secure new sub ers for it.

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*Bahamas, 3d War, No. 312, cat.
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Chicago, Prec., 25c P. P. Due.
U. S. 1917, $1 violet brown, cat.
Japan, 40 diff. stamps.
*Trinidad, 1916, 1d Red Cross, c
*Nyassa, 10 pictures.
*Panama, 1892, 50c, catalog 25c.
*Transvaal, '93, 2½d on 1s, cat.
U. S. 1917, 20, 30, 50c. cat. 20c.
*East Africa, No. 62, 4c on 6c, c
Cuba, 1899, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10c, cat. 17
Denmark, Nos. 201-8 incl., cat.
Denmark, Finland, 55 all diff.
Norway, Sweden, 55 all diff.
Iceland, 10 different.
32 diff. So. and Cent. America.

PROPOSED.

DRESDEN, March 6.—Three G states, Saxony, Brunswick and Thu contemplate establishment of a un further their common interests w impairing their separate indepen These three states now have s governments.

A meeting of officials has bee recently in Leipsig and it was d to establish an office, jointly supp to promote the common welfare.

The office will have to do esse with labor problems, but inquiry made of other German governed for opinions as to the practicabi a comprehensive "League of S States."—Clipping.

CANADA AND OTHERS

Nothing Free but Valu for your Money all the Way

MONEY BACK ON ANY ITEM.

Scott's No.	CANADA.	
1	3d laid paper, fine copy	$6.00
1	3d laid paper, fair	4.00
4	3d wove paper, superb	2.50
4	3d Wove paper, good copy	2.00
4	3d wove paper, fair copy, some clipped	1.00
4	3d superb pair, fine margins, slight tear in one stamp, but superb..	6.00
14	1c rose	.25
15	5c beaver	.15
19	12½c green, nicked, but good	.70
21	½c black, fine	.50
22	1 cent brown red, superb	1.00
22a	1 cent brown red, watermarked...	4.00
23	2c green, nice copy	.60
24	3c red, nice copy	.25
24b	3c watermarked, nice copy	2.00
25	6 cent dark brown, fine	.60
25	6 cent dark brown, fine pair	2.00
25a	6 cent yellow brown, fine	.60
25a	6 cent yellow brown, fine pair	2.00
26	Fair copy	.40
27	Fair copy	.50
29	3c Laid, superb copy	6.00
29	3c Laid, nice copy	5.00
31a	1 cent orange, fine copy	2.00
	Above all used.	
39	Mint block 4 fine. Very slight off C.	4.00
27	Fine mint copy	.70
32	Fine mint copy	.15
34	Fine used copy	.05
36	Fine used copy	.60
36	Superb used strip of five centered	10.00
37	Poor copy	1.25
40	Good mint copy	.05
42	Fine mint copy	.20
44	Superb mint copy	.75
44	Mint block of 9, trifle off C.	4.00
47	Fine used copy	.15
48c	Fine block of 6, little off C.	9.00
	Jubilee set Nos. 50-60 inc., Cat. $7.35	3.50
61	$1.00 mint fine	2.00
62	$2.00, nice used copy	1.25
	Sets 66 to 73 (Nos. 72-3 used, rest mint). Cat. $1.94	.99
	Mint sets 74 to 81, fine, Cat. $2.66	1.25
	Maps, either number, mint fine	.04
	Either surch., Nos. 84 & 85, ea., mint	.05
84a and 85a	nice copies, pair, cheap at	17.00
86	mint copy	.03
87	Used, fine copy	.40
88	Fine mint copy	.25
	Sets used 80 to 95, including No. 90a	.55

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CILICIE O. M. F. on French stamps, mint sets complete to 50pi. Cat. $3.69, each 1.60
Many other Cilicie at Bargain prices. Write us your wants.
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H. M. MacLEAN, Brockville, Ont., Canada

A.S.D.A., A.P.S., J.A.P.S., C.P.A., M.P.A., Etc.

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Having purchased a very fine, well balanced, general collection of 19th Century stamps cataloging about $35,000.00, we solicit your want list. While the collection contains eat rarities, several hundred dollars being the limit on any single stamp, it does contain thousands of medium and better grade stamps, that are only to be had when a big tion is broken up. Prices will run on our usual fair average, and are as low as such goods can be bought for anywhere. This collection, together with many other smaller and additions to our large stock, place us in a better position than ever to fill your spaces. We have 90% of everything issued in stock. Collectors passing through Hart- are invited to drop in and see us. This collection is mounted in 7 volumes and collectors who mean business can have any volume priced and sent to them, if they furnish actory proof of their reliability. LISTS—Our lists are free for the asking and offer thousands of desirable stamps.

RENCH COLONIALS

A few offers in these scarce and, in many cases, underpriced stamps. We have one of the best stocks of these stamps anywhere, but too few of most of them to advertise. Send us your want lists. These are gilt edge goods and have a future. Few dealers or collectors can make a good showing in them, and there are no large stocks to draw upon for supplies anywhere. This sign (*) means unused, all others used. Condition best we have, but one should consider that it is almost impossible to get perfectly centered French Colonials in many issues. Big discounts cannot be given on these stamps. If you think they are not good property, look up a catalog five or more years old and compare prices today. Forget the catalog and fill your spaces if you want these stamps. They'll never be cheaper.

CHINA.

4c green, No. 848* ..... $ .09
5c blue, No. 852* ..... .40
on 10c, No. 866, used or * ..... .03
n 1c, No. 1100* ..... .05
n 2c, No. 1116* ..... .05
n 10c, No. 1119* ..... .05
n No. 1131, 1132 each* ..... .06
n 10fr, No. 1147* 5.50
n 1908 35c, No. 1157 ..... .10
n 1908 40c, No. 1158 ..... .10
n 1908 50c, No. 1159 ..... .12
n 1918 16c, No. 1175 ..... .18
n 1918 20c, No. 1176 ..... .25
n 1918 30c, No. 1177 ..... .35
ao 2c, No. 1252* ..... .15
ao 25c, No. 1259* ..... .30
ao Nos. 1267, 1268, each* ..... .05
ao 15c, No. 1257 ..... .15
ao 25c, No. 1273* ..... .18
g Tcheou 1c, No. 1351* ..... .30
g Tcheou, Nos. 1357, 1358*, each .35
g Tcheau 75c, Nos. 1312* ..... .22
ze 30c, No. 1509* ..... .25
ze 10c, No. 1520* ..... .20
ze 15c, No. 1521* ..... .45
ze 20c, No. 1522* ..... .25
ze 30c, No. 1524* ..... .45
ze 35c, No. 1525* ..... .45
ze 40c, No. 1526* ..... .45
ze 1908 30c* ..... .08
ze 1908 40c* ..... .12
ze 75c, No. 1528* 1.25
ze 1908 75c* ..... .25
ze 1908 1fr* ..... .32
ze 1908 2frs* ..... .60
oi 1903 2c* ..... .06
oi 1903 4c* ..... .06
oi 1904 25c* ..... .17
oi 1906 1, 2, 4c*, each ..... .18
oi 1906 10c* ..... .30
zking 1903 2c* ..... .07
zking 1903 5c* ..... .12
zking 1904 25c* ..... .25
gking 1906 1c, 2c, used or *, each .15
gking 1906 4c, 5c*, each ..... .20
zking 1906 20c* ..... .25
zking 1906 30c* ..... .25
zking 1906 40c* ..... .35
zking 1906 35c* ..... .30
zking 1908 75c* ..... .22
zking 1908 1fr* ..... .32
zking 1908 5frs* 1.65
nsen 1903 2c* ..... .06
nsen 1903 4c* ..... .07
nsen Fou 1906 1, 2, 4c*, each .... .12
nsen 1906 5c, 10c*, each ..... .20
nsen 1908 75c* ..... .22
nsen 1908 2frs* ..... .60
nsen 1908 5frs* 1.65
nsen 1908 10frs* 3.50

CRETE.

, 2, 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50c*, set ..... .45

ALEXANDRIA.

M, No. 2231* ..... .12
M, No. 2233* ..... .12
M, No. 2236* ..... .20
M, No. 2237* ..... .20
M, No. 2238* ..... .15
M, No. 2239* ..... .40

MOROCCO OFF.

, No. 2513* ..... .12
os. 2545 to 2549 ..... .25
c, 50c ..... .10
r slate ..... .10

ZANZIBAR.

, No. 2844* ..... .35
c, No. 2855 ..... 2.75

FR. CONGO.

c, No. 49* 1.50
c, No. 51* 1.25

FR. GUIANA.

c rose ..... .12
c violet* ..... .95
green ..... .06
to 1fr* ..... .55
r red ..... .10
rs blue ..... .22
c, No. 201* ..... .95
c, No. 202* ..... .05
* ..... .06
* ..... .08
c rose ..... .30
c blue 1.25
green* ..... .04
carmine* ..... .08
c blue* ..... .10
c blue* ..... .12
c brown* ..... .12
c yellow* ..... .20
c gray* ..... .18
c violet ..... .20
c orange* ..... .30
r black* ..... .50
rs blue* ..... .85
rs carmine* 1.75
os. 48 to 62* 1.50
to 1fr* ..... .35
rs* ..... .25
ues, 5c-1fr* ..... .35

FR. INDIA.

c red* ..... .32
c vermilion* ..... .45
c carmine* ..... .50
c, or 1fr*, each ..... .75
c red ..... .15
on 25c* 3.00
on 25c* 3.00
1903 15 on 25c* ..... .75
1903 40c on 50c* 4.75
1906 45c* 1.75
1914 1c to 1fr* ..... .55
1916 15c, No. 101* ..... .25
1916 15c, No. 102* ..... .90
1916 15c, No. 103* ..... .15
1916 15c, No. 105* ..... .05

FR. OCEANICA.

1892 1, 2, 4c* ..... .10
1892 10c black* ..... .25
1892 30c brown* ..... .30
1892 50c carmine* ..... .45
1892 1fr green* ..... .60
1900 10c red ..... .13
1900 25c blue ..... .80
1906 45c green* 1.75
1913 1c to 1fr* ..... .55
1913 10c red, No. 38* ..... .25
1913 10c red, No. 101* ..... .70
1913 10c red, No. 102* ..... .50
1913 10c, No. 104* ..... .05

Ask for those you do not see offered.

FR. SOUDAN.

1894 1fr green* ..... .60
1900 10, 15, 25c*, each 1.25

ANJOUAN.

1892 1c, 2c*, each ..... .03
1892 10c black* ..... .08
1892 25c rose* ..... .30
1900 10c red* 1.50
1900 15c grey 1.00
1900 50c brown 1.75
1912 Nos. 21 to 27* ..... .25

ANNAM AND TONKIN.

1888 1 on 4c claret, scarce* ..... .40

BENIN.

1893 4c claret* ..... .10
1893 40c vermilion* ..... .25
1893 75c orange* ..... .85
1894 15c blue ..... .08

CAMEROONS.

1915 10c, No. 101 ..... .65
1915 5c, No. 119 ..... .65
1916 1c-1fr, Nos. 130-143* ..... .65
1916 2frs* ..... .38
1916 5frs* ..... .95
1917 15c* ..... .04

DAHOMEY.

1901-4 1c, 2c*, each ..... .03
1901-4 15c gray ..... .13
1904 4c claret* ..... .05
1904 5c yellow green ..... .05
1905 50c brown 1.50
1906 5c green ..... .05
1906 20c blue* ..... .30
1906 25c blue* ..... .25
1906 30c brown* ..... .30
1906 45c chocolate* ..... .40
1906 50c violet* ..... .40
1906 75c orange* ..... .45
1906 1fr blue* ..... .65
1906 2frs blue* 1.35
1906 5frs carmine* 2.95
1912 Nos. 32 to 37* ..... .28
1913 1c to 1fr* ..... .55
1914 dues, 5c to 1fr* ..... .35
1915 10c, No. 201* ..... .05

DIEGO SUAREZ.

1892 2c brown*, No. 26 ..... .07
1892 4c claret* ..... .08
1894 15c blue ..... .25
1894 50c, 1fr, each ..... .50

GABON.

1904 4c*, 5c, each ..... .05
1904 10c red ..... .08
1904 25c blue* ..... .35
1910 1, 2, 4, 5c* ..... .17
1910 20c* ..... .10
1910 25c* ..... .12
1910 30c* ..... .30
1910 35c* ..... .30
1910 40c* ..... .30
1910 45c* ..... .30
1910 50c* ..... .60
1910 75c* ..... .80
1911 1c to 1fr* ..... .55
1912 5c on 2c* ..... .08
1912 5c on 4c* ..... .08
1916 15c, No. 201* 1.45
1916 15c, No. 202* 1.70
1917 15c, No. 203* ..... .05

GRAND COMORO.

1900 10c red* 1.75
1900 25c blue* 1.25

GUADELOUPE.

1892 40c red* ..... .30
1904 40c on 1fr, No, 50* ..... .40
1905 1c to 1fr* ..... .55
1905 dues, 1c to 1fr* ..... .35

INDO CHINA.

1892 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 15c ..... .30
1892 20c red ..... .25
1892 25c rose ..... .06
1892 30c brown ..... .25
1892 40c red ..... .30
1892 75c, used or * ..... .50
1892 1fr green ..... .25
1900 5c green ..... .07
1903 5 on 15c* ..... .04
1900 10c red ..... .20
1900 15c gray ..... .08
1904 4c claret* ..... .05
1904 25c blue ..... .05
1907 30c ..... .10
1907 35c ..... .05
1907 40c ..... .08
1907 45c ..... .08
1907 5frs*, scarce 1.60
1907 10frs*, scarce 3.50
1918 20 on 50c ..... .08
1908 dues, 5, 10, 20c ..... .09
1908 dues, 50c green ..... .10
1908 dues, 2frs brown ..... .60

IVORY COAST.

1892 1, 2, 4c* ..... .10
1892 20c red ..... .35
1892 25c rose ..... .17
1892 50c carmine* ..... .35
1906 1, 2, 4, 5, 10c* ..... .17
1906 20c blue* ..... .10
1906 25c blue* ..... .13
1906 30c chocolate* ..... .17
1906 35c yellow* ..... .17
1906 45c chocolate* ..... .22
1906 50c violet* ..... .22
1906 75c orange* ..... .30
1906 1fr blue* ..... .45
1906 2frs blue* ..... .85
1906 5frs carmine* 2.00
1900 15c gray* ..... .75
1900 50c brown, used or * 1.75
1913 1c to 1fr* ..... .55
1913 2frs* ..... .27
1915 15c, No. 141* ..... .05

MADAGASCAR.

1896 40c red ..... .15
1896 75c, used or * ..... .45
1896 1fr* ..... .45
1903 1, 2, 4, 5, 15c ..... .13
1903 20c orange ..... .08
1908 1c to 1fr* ..... .55
1908 2frs* ..... .27
1908 5frs* ..... .65
1912 99 to 103* ..... .30
1908 dues, 1c to 1fr* ..... .35

MARTINIQUE.

1892 20c red ..... .35
1892 1fr green* ..... .70
1900 15c gray ..... .15
1906 35c yellow ..... .45
1908 1c to 1fr* ..... .55
1908 2frs* ..... .27
1908 1fr used ..... .12
1912 No. 80 or 81, each* ..... .25
1920 Nos. 82 to 94* ..... .13

MAURITANIA.

1887 due, 1c black* ..... .12
1906 1, 2, 4, 5c* ..... .25
1906 1fr* ..... .90
1906 2frs* 1.45
1913 1c to 1fr* ..... .55
1913 2frs* ..... .27
1917 15c* ..... .02
1918 15c, No. 92* ..... .05
1914 dues, 1c to 1fr* ..... .35

MAYOTTE.

1892 1, 2, 4c* ..... .10
1892 5c green* ..... .08
1892 40c red* ..... .45
1892 75c orange* ..... .75
1900 25c blue, used or * 1.25
1906 35c yellow ..... .80
1906 45c green* 1.45
1912 Nos. 23 to 30* ..... .35

MIDDLE CONGO.

1916 15c, No. 101*, used or * ..... .40
1916 15c, No. 102* ..... .05

MOHELI.

1906 10c red ..... .12
1906 35c yellow ..... .45

NEW CALEDONIA.

1900 5 on 4c* ..... .05
1900 15 on 30c, No. 54* ..... .12
1905 1c to 1fr* ..... .55
1912 Nos. 104-106* ..... .18
1918 5 on 15c* ..... .30
1915 15c, No. 251* ..... .10
1915 15c, No. 252* ..... .94
1915 15c violet, No. 253* ..... .05
1908 dues, 1c to 1fr* ..... .35

NOSSI BE.

1894 1c black* ..... .05
1894 20c red ..... .30
1894 25c black ..... .30
1894 50c carmine ..... .60

OBOCK.

1892 4c claret* ..... .08
1892 5c green* ..... .25
1892 10c black* ..... .30
1894 15c pictorial* ..... .15
1894 20c pictorial* ..... .18
1894 40c pictorial* ..... .45
1894 50c pictorial* ..... .45
1894 1fr pictorial* ..... .60

REUNION.

1891 2 on 20c, No. 31 ..... .15
1891 2 on 20c, No. 32 ..... .10
1891 2 on 20c, No. 47* ..... .05
1891 2 on 20c, No. 48* ..... .13
1891 2 on 20c, No. 49* ..... .55
1900 10c red ..... .08
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EDITORIAL.

Revenues—There is a good number of varieties of the revenues of the current issue awaiting recognition and with the aid of Mr. J. N. Stromberg, we have prepared a list of the novelties. The 25c documentary has been seen with the Stock Transfer surcharge and moreover the surcharge is a variant of the plain letter overprint as it is in seriff letters. Too, the 40c comes with the new type of surcharge, Stock Transfer. The one and two dollar documentaries with this surcharge horizontally come in both types of overprinting and the dollar green with the surcharge reading downwards has the seriff letter surcharge. The 10c and 20c documentary have adopted the new style of type dress and most surprising of all, the one-cent documentary has appeared with the old Stock Transfer letters. It is evident that the current revenues will bear watching as they are making a strong bid for attention.

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Reported—The following letter has come from Dr. H. B. Hinman of Everett, Washington: "I wrote you asking that you publish an article regarding bogus surcharges. I received no answer nor have I seen anything in your paper on the subject. I really think that something should be done. Recently, I received a copy of a Uruguayan surcharged stamp from a dealer who advertised the stamp by the 100. The surcharge was a fake and I returned it asking for a good one but he credited me with the stamp, showing that all he had were bad. This morning I received an exchange circuit from the secretary of a society, with about 25 fraudulent surcharges." It is not to be denied that surcharges on some of the foreign stamps have been made in this country and no experienced collector shuts his eyes to the possibility of fraud in this connection. There may be some difficulty in proving the worthlessness of a surcharge but it is assumed that the stamp dealer will have a degree of knowledge that is sufficient to protect his customers. If he slips in his estimate of the character of a surcharge, it is incumbent upon him to make good. While the "surcharge measurer" cannot be said to have become a popular accessory, yet it is supposed that at least the specialists in a country can say definitely when one of its surcharges is forged.

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Relics—Mr. F. W. Reid, Denver, reports as follows: "I have a bound copy of Dr. Gray's Catalogue, third edition, 1865, in which the Canada pence issues, from ½c to 12c, complete, unused, are offered for one pound and ten shillings. Bomba heads in sets were priced a shade over face. Also, I have the second edition, 1863, and the seventh, 1867, of Lallier's Album. The 'Post Office' Mauritius were quite unknown to the authors of these works in which the U. S., 1847, 5c and 10c are given as Nos. 18 and 19, following the 2c 'black jack.' The 90c of 1857 and of 1861, respectively, are listed as with 'Portrait of Jackson.' There are separate listings of New South Wales and 'Sydney', 'Victoria' and 'Melbourne Town,' etc. If you would care to see these items, I'll be glad to send them on but they are not for sale." We thank Mr. Reid for his offer to show us the old publications but as we have the first and fourth editions of Gray's catalogue and examples of early albums as well, including the justly-famous Lallier, we shall not inconvenience him. In looking over the first edition of the Gray catalogue which has the imprimatur, "London, Robert Hardwicke, 192 Piccadilly, 1862," we find the anachronism under the list of works and articles that have been printed up to that time on the subject of stamp collecting, of two Leipsig publications, one an album and the other a hand-book, assigned to the year 1863. However, Gray's catalogue was published in December, 1862, and it is inferred that the two German productions appeared late in 1862, with the year date, 1863. Dr. Gray's "introduction" to his work is something in the nature of a classic and in it, he pleads a justification of the "fashion" of collecting postage stamps by citing the advantages to be derived from the systematic arrangement of the issues of all countries. In re-reading this preface, we are struck with the following paragraph which shows that the parasite of fraud attached itself to the flowering plant of philately almost as soon as it took root: "The desire which some persons have to show stamps that are not in other collections has induced the dealers to produce pretended stamps, which have no real existence; as, for example, a French stamp with the portrait of the Republic inscribed, *Essai*, 1858, which is after the Empire was established; or Turkish stamps, inscribed 6 Truze and 3 Mara, the Turkish Government not having as yet issued any stamps. Some collectors show Chinese stamps which are only the impression of the seal of the mandarin who sent the letter. In the same manner, and for the same purpose, the colours of some stamps are artificially changed by soaking in water or some chemical fluid, or the stamps are covered over with a wash of colour, or the paper on which they are printed is stained." Certain forgeries are mentioned as having been lithographed, "while the originals are block-printed."

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Remote—As we have said on occasions, previously, the first catalogue of stamps ever published was Alfred Potiquet's Catalogue des Timbres-poste, which appeared Dec. 21, 1861, Lacroix and Laplante, publishers. It is needless to say that copies of this work are extremely rare and the history of each copy available today is rather well known. We are given the satisfaction of having a Potiquet catalogue in this country, where it reposes with other pieces of pioneer days in the philatelic library of Mr. Howland Speakman. There are forty-four pages in this list which we regard with no little feeling of reverence as the daddy of a brood unbelievably large, sixty years afterwards.

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Record—Elsewhere we publish an extract from the United States Government Blue Book, 1847, that was copied by Mr. Wm. F. Goerner of Edgewood, R. I., which as he says would seem to indicate why covers from Canada are found bearing copies of the 1847 issue. As late as 1859, a paragraph of the postal regulations of the United States read: "Letters received from Canada, to which are affixed United States postage stamps of sufficient value to prepay the full postage chargeable thereon, should be delivered without charge by the United States offices." In Mr. Goerner's quotation, the names of several agents in the British provinces are given, toge with their compensation for a ge period of time. Before the estab ment of a postal union of the coun throughout the world, the United S was under the necessity of entering working agreements directly with other countries. Under such condit postage rates were various and it a matter not to be lightly dismisse send a letter out of this country.

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CHAPTER XVII.

Telegraph Use of Postage Stamps.

The telegraphs of the Union of South Africa are part of the postal system. All telegrams are paid for, whether prepaid or sent collect, by means of stamps attached to the original message or to a receipt for the delivered message, that stays in the post office. The ordinary stamps are used. I am informed by Mr. Sidney Clarke, of the *Natal Witness*, that even press telegraph accounts are kept by means of the use of stamps cancelled on payment of the account.

In all except the larger offices, the ordinary cancelling stamp is used for telegraphic and postal service alike. A few, such as Maritzburg, in Natal, among the larger offices, have an old cancelling stamp, no longer fit for active work on hundreds of letters, in use for telegraph purposes. Durban, the most important seaport of the country since the War is unique in having had for years two distinctive telegraphic cancellations. These consist of the large block numbers 1 and 2, each enclosed in a heavy circle about an inch in diameter. I have seen this cancellation on the 2s 6d and the 10s, of the last Transvaal issue also; I have not listed it under the "interprovincials," as it is not a postal cancellation.

The disposition to consider that any block of four or six, making up to eight or ten shillings face value, and showing a clear cancellation, is telegraphically used, is not borne out by the facts. Such blocks are common in parcel post use; up to a face value of 12s 6d the probabilities are in favor of their being parcel post blocks. In South Africa there is no special parcel and printed matter cancellation, as in the U. S., except for the cities of Bloemfontein, Pretoria and Durban.

CHAPTER XVIII.

Railway Stamps.

The stamps of the Union of South Africa are not known either surcharged for rail use, as is the case with the later issues of the Transvaal and Orange River Colony, nor perforated with special initials for this use, as with the last issue of Natal. The railways, owned and operated by the government, use the regulation official penalty envelopes.

Brief mention should, however, be made of a series of stamps from 1d up to 2s 6d, bearing the legend "S. A. R." at the top, "Parcels Stamp" at the bottom, and the large figure of value in white on a background of the words "South African Railways" in small white letters, repeated many times, on a colored ground. These are attached to the way-bills for express and freight; they are never used by the public. The current series is printed in flesh color on unwatermarked white wove paper, perforated 12 or rouletted, and surcharged with initials of stations where used.

In view of the inclusion of the Belgian "Parcel Post" stamps, which bear the word for railway in Flemish and in French, among the philatelically recognized issues, I mention these South African stamps merely as possible candidates for like recognition.

BOOK REVIEW.

We have received from Messrs. Yvert and Tellier a brochure entitled "The Stamps of France, 1849-1872: Their Cancellations, Shades, Varieties, Price." Though produced in French, of course, from the pen of Victor Robert, it will be welcomed by all who collect these "classical issues" of France, even by many of those who are not well acquainted with the language itself, as it is superbly illustrated with enlargements of the stamps, illustrations of varieties, of cancellations and of postmarks of various kinds. The preface states that the book is "dedicated to modest collectors, to those whose purse does not allow great acquisitions; it is dedicated to those who love stamps for themselves and for the pleasure that they give."

Each issue is treated historically and philatelically with enlarged illustrations. In each case it is followed by "commentaries" or notes which deal principally with the cancellations and postmarks to be found upon the stamps, all fully illustrated in proper size. This again is followed by a classified list of cancellations, each stamp being treated separately with the commonest cancellation numbered "1" and the rarest with the highest number. Next comes a numbered and priced catalogue of cancellations, each one being given with the values and shades upon which it has been found. Concerning the former list, the preface states: "It is not only the experience acquired through nearly forty years of handling stamps, it is our very fine stock of the stamps of France which has enabled us to establish the solid foundations of this catalogue; better yet, we have had other stocks than ours at our disposal as well as beautiful collections belonging to our friends; and we can say emphatically that our classification of cancellations has solid foundations." Concerning prices, no claim is made for absolute accuracy: "We fix the prices of what we have, what we see, and what is found and passed through our hands. . . . As a general rule, one cannot take as absolute all the prices of any catalogue, not even of ours. . . . The prices which we give are starting points, subject to variation—prices to assist you in understanding the rarity of certain varieties which you can therefore ignore."

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The book is octavo in form, of 153 pages and contains more than 200 illustrations, being printed upon a calendered paper which shows them up to proper advantage. Its price is most moderate, being but 10 francs or fr. 11.30 post free to foreign countries. Published by Messrs. Yvert & Tellier, 37 Rue des Jacobins, Amiens, France.

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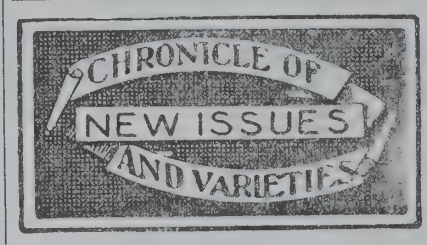

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—From information received from Washington we are informed that the Philatelic Stamp Agency recently established by the Postmaster General has proven to the satisfaction of the Department that its establishment is justified in view of the many requests for postage stamps and stamped paper.

We are now informed that they have on sale the stamps mentioned recently in this column in addition to the 50c and 75c Parcel Post, the imperforate 1c, 2c and 3c (they do not mention if engraved or surface print), the 1c and 2c flat plate imperforated coils and the recently issued 10c coil all in complete coils of 500, the 1c and 2c compounds in sheets of 170 in addition to the revalued envelopes and postal cards. They also have on sale for the first time the United States stamps surcharged "China" for use in Shanghai. They distinctly call attention to the fact that these are for philatelic purposes only and that they are not available for postage in the United States.

For the benefit of those living in Washington or contemplate being in that city I would advise that the Philatelic Stamp Agency is located in Room 217 of the new City Post Office which is next to the Union Station at North Capitol and Massachusetts Avenue.

Mr. Stanley B. Ashbrook has issued a very attractive little booklet which we will be glad to review at an early date, on types of the 1c stamp of the 1851-1857 issue. It is quite profusely illustrated, the different types being shown by large cuts. I imagine it was privately issued for distribution to Mr. Ashbrook's friends but anyone interested will find the complete article in the last issue of the *American Philatelist*.

During the last several weeks, I have had quite a number of the 3c 1869 used, submitted with the request that I inform the writer if the stamp is the variety without grill. For the benefit of those who have not made a study of the subject I would advise that quite often the grill on the 1869 issue is so light that on mint specimens it just about cuts the stamp. When they are soaked, no trace of the grill is left. On other copies the grill is so light that it can be ironed out. As a result the advanced specialist insists that this variety be mint and consequently used copies are of little value for the larger percentage fall in the first group where the grill is not noticeable. The only value that I can recall that could be definitely told in such a case is the 30c, which always comes in a deeper shade. The 30c must have all been from one sheet and judging by the color this must have been a special printing and not simply one sheet that missed the grill roller.

Mr. Albert S. Faught has shown me a couple dozen of the 1c and 2c metered mail envelopes that he has received in the course of the last several weeks. An increased interest is being taken in these covers and I would advise our readers holding on to those coming their way for there is likely to be a brisk demand later on for these early copies.

We wish to thank Messrs. S. G. Rich, L. J. Ragatz, Eugene DeMent and H. W. Boers for information of interest.

AUSTRIA.—Mr. J. L. Riedel has submitted to us for chronicle the 4k lilac, 5k grey green and 10k red lilac of the recently mentioned type.

BARBADOS.—Dr. H. B. Renton, of Gosforth, is good enough to send for our inspection a mint copy of the latest 3d with bottom margin attached, from which it would seem that the original colour of the paper is *pale canary yellow* (as seen on the reverse side of the margin where there is no gum). Just above this place the gum commences, and the colour changes to a distinctly darker shade: and the reverse of the stamp itself is still darker—presumably due to the colour of the stamp showing through.

The face of the margin is quite different in colour from the reverse, and his idea is that this is due not only to the colour of the gum showing through, *but also* to the yellow paper being tinted by the ink with which the stamp design is printed.

This latter should not be overlooked, when trying to arrive at the solution of the so-called "orange yellow" paper problem.

Our correspondent remarks that unfortunately he hasn't another copy of this stamp, or he would try the effect of washing the gum off! He hasn't attempted anything yet with chalky yellow paper; the very thought appals him, which prospect we can fully appreciate.

Dr. Renton sends, for purposes of comparison, a bottom marginal copy of the 3d, the yellow of which is, of course, very distinct from the other.—*Stamp Collecting.*

CANADA.—W. Randall submits a specimen of the new 5c purple. It was first issued in February. The 10c was also issued last month in blue. The 1c will be changed to straw and the 2c from red to green.

Mr. Joseph B. Parker informs us that the 1c post card is now printed in orange and also the 1c envelope stamp, the 2c envelope stamp being of a green color.

CHINA.—Our correspondent at Shanghai writes:—

"There has been a lot of ink spilled over the description of a new set of stamps for the Republic of China, correspondents going so far as to give detailed descriptions of the designs, etc. I am informed today by the Co-Director General of Posts, Peking, that no such or any other new issue is contemplat just where they got their dope would interesting. New issue services, the fore, who have sent remittances parcels will have same returned."

The 1c orange, 3c green, 6c grey 10c blue commemoratives, chronicled described in our December 10th is have been overprinted SINKIANG, native characters, for use in Chin Turkestan.—*Stamp Collecting.*

COLOMBIAN REPUBLIC.—Mr. Boyd Lewis advises that a new set of sta has been placed on sale, the 1c of wh he has received. It has a design c circle enclosing the arms of the cou with "Republica de Colombia" in a p el above, in smaller letters "timbre cional" and "Un Centavo" below the figure "1" on either side at the b It is a dark green color. The Ecc mist Stamp Co. submit a copy of th of the 1917 issue surcharged "J vicional $ 003" in two lines in red. a 2c provisional of the type A120 in and a 3c green stamp of the new i with the "Provicional" across it in same manner as the 2c before descri

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CZECHO-SLOVAKIA.—The Economist Stamp Co. send for chronicle the 3h violet of the 1918-19 issue, No. 1, surcharged "20 Doplatit" in two lines in black.

EASTERN SIBERIA.—Bright & Son give us the particulars of some provisional stamps used between two cities referred to below. We quote from the Bright letter:—

"I am sending you a set of the new cities of Eastern Siberia, so called 'Nikolaevsk' stamps containing 17 varieties. To convince you that these stamps are genuine ones, I enclose a cover with these stamps, overprinted in Vladivostock. These stamps were used only between Nikolaevsk (Amur) and Vladivostock during several days after the stroying of the town by the Bolshevists and Japanese. The Provisional Government of the Priamur District appointed a Governor to Nikolaevsk to rebuild the town and to restore the post-office. He found a very small stock of the Russian issues of the years 1909 and 1917 there, which he surcharged the initials of the town and of the provisional Government of the Priamur District N-na-A P. V. P. (Nikolaevsk na Amurye Priamurskoe Vremmenoe Pravitelstvo)".

GERMANY.—Mr. J. L. Riedel advises that from May to October an industrial exhibition will be held at Munich and a set of four stamps will be issued on the occasion, which will be sold at the Post Offices throughout Germany.

IRELAND.—Mr. O. F. F. Pollitz of the Frank P. Brown Co. submits to us for chronicle the following values of the current set of Great Britain surcharged with four lines of Gaelic and the date "'22" in black: ½d, 1d, 1½d, 2d, 2½d 3d, 4d, 5d, 6d, 9d, 10d, 1sh, 2sh 6d, 5sh, 10sh.

ICELAND.—Mr. W. T. Wilson advises that the 16a, King Christian type, has been surcharged "5 aur" in two lines in black.

IVORY COAST.—Mr. Benj. Mitchell advises that he has No. 45, No. 46 and No. 51 surcharged "Valeurd' echange Ofr. 10" and "Valeurd' echange Ofr. 25" respectively. The overprints are in two lines. Mr. Mitchell further adds that these were used at the Post Office at Grand Bassam to supply a shortage of small silver until fractional paper money arrived. While at the town in the summer of 1920, the postmaster informed Mr. Mitchell that these surcharged stamps were also available for postage and some had been used for that purpose locally.

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JAPAN.—From our esteemed Special Correspondent at Tokyo, Mr. Ichico Yoshida, we have the following:—

"As I have already reported you as to the new issue stamps of Japan, the new revised rates for foreign postage of Japan came in force on January 1st, 1922, when the new stamps were brought out. The new stamps consist of three values, 4 sen, 8 sen and 20 sen. These stamps were put on sale in small quantities only in Yokohama, Kobe, and Nagasaki, on trial.

The Government has still a great deal of the previous issues on hand, so the Postal Authorities say they cannot sell the new stamps until they sell out the previous ones; therefore, I could not get them at all in Tokio.

Postal authorities say there will not be issued other new stamps except these three values.

The picture shows the sacred Mt. Fuji at the left and a stag and hind at the right. The noted place of the deer in this country is the Kasuga Shrine of Nara, very near Osaka, where thousands of the 'sacred deer' are to be found."—*Stamp Collecting.*

KARELIA.—In our Finnish contemporary we find illustrations of an alleged set of postage stamps for this province of Finland, in which the district and fortress-town of Viborg is situated. We are not conversant with Suomi, but happily the *Stamp Lover* comes to our help with the following:—

"First issue. Uniform design (22 mm. square) showing Arms of the district surmounted by the inscription "KARJALA" and with numerals of value in each of the lower corners. White wove paper. No wmk. Perf. 11½. Lithographed 1922.

5	pennia	olive-grey,	2 marka.
10	"	blue,	3 "
20	"	red,	5 "
25	"	brown,	10 "
40	"	magenta,	15 "
50	"	grey-green,	20 "
75	"	yellow,	25 "

1 mark pink and deep brown.

Mr. G. A. Fereday, in sending us specimens of the above issue, reports that the stamps are actually in use. He encloses a cutting from a local newspaper, from which it would appear that part of Karjala has been cleared of the Bolshevists and an independent Administration established. Some post offices have already been opened, with the hope of more to follow."—*Stamp Collecting.*

LUXEMBURG.—Mr. Henry Hooreman and Mr. W. T. Wilson send us copies of the 62½c stamp overprinted "75" in red and the 87½c surcharged "80" in black, both stamps being the Grand Duchess Adelaide type. Also a 20c in the Grand Duchess Charlotte type in orange red color. Mr. Wilson adds that these were issued the 15th of February.

SAAR.—Mr. P. J. Kranz advises that a new set of stamps is announced for the Saargebiet and he sends us a copy of the 15c which is of a brown shade. The stamp is somewhat larger than the recent issue and shows a view of the river. At the top are the usual words of the country and in the centre at the base are the figures of value.

FEBRUARY SUBSCRIPTIONS.

The WEEKLY now has a paid subscription list of 7,800. These figures are not quite up to the standard of two years ago, but we are going after the figures then secured and have every reason to believe that May of this year will show us well over the 8,000 mark. In our efforts we are being splendidly supported by various dealers, notably the Fennell Stamp Co., which secured for us 64 subscriptions during the month of February. The standing of the leaders for February is as follows:—

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L. B. DOVER	27
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Allen Sears	149
L. B. Dover	110
Leader Stamp Co.	90
C. E. Hussman Co.	66
Paul F. Cornish	50
Stamp Shoppe	47
C. T. Egner	38
O. W. Crowder & Co.	36
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A CONFEDERATE STATES CANCELLATION WHICH PRESENTS AN INTERESTING PROBLEM.

"Chattanooga, Tenn.," AFTER Sept. 8, on the Late 10c.

By EDWARD S. KNAPP.

History tells us that Chattanooga, Tenn., was abandoned by the Confederates on September 8, 1863, and remained in the possession of the Northern forces after that date. General Bragg, however, held the lines of supply, and the city was besieged until late in November, 1863, when Grant won the Battle of Missionary Ridge and drove the Confederate Army out of Tennessee.

I have three cancels of "Chattanooga, Ten."—"OCT 25",—"DEC 25", and "JAN 22" and unquestionably genuine postmarks that are on covers of no apparent value, bearing late issue 10c stamps (Confederate States, No. 210) which cost practically nothing. Yet these covers present an interesting "Problem". Here it is: The *year-date couldn't have been* "1862", as these stamps weren't issued until May or June, 1863. Therefore, the year-date *must be* 1863 or *later*. But, *Chattanooga was abandoned on September 8, 1863.*

The "Answer" is this (at least, I'm certain it is): When the Confederate forces abandoned Chattanooga, they carried *with them* the cancelling devices from the Chattanooga Post Office, and they subsequently used these devices *to cancel army mail.* These may be considered "Army of Tennessee Cancellations."

I would advise collectors to look over their late issue covers for these cancellations. They should be of decided interest to the specialist in Confederate States.

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* 1891, 5p ultra., sur. "Muestra," No. 87		.75
1896, 2 & 5p, Nos. 120-121	3.75	1.25
1912, 10 peso, No. 203, fine	5.00	1.60
Buenos Aires 1858, 1 peso brown, lightly canc., fine copy, rare	50.00	25.00
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another same as last, piece of cover, very fine	6.00	3.50
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***Baden** 1861, 9k carmine, No. 14	5.00	1.60
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1d, 1d, Nos. 12 & 13	2.25	.75
1862-67, 1d & 4d, Nos. 12 & 14	6.00	2.00
Barbados 1861, ½d, 4d, 6d, 1sh, Nos. 13, 17, 20, 28, fair lot	11.00	2.40
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Bavaria 1849, 6kr, No. 4, broken circle, large margins, fine copy	7.50	3.75
* 1850, No. 7, 12kr slightly thin	6.00	1.20
* 18kr yellow, No. 8, margins small	7.00	1.40
No. 7, same as last, used, large margins two sides, close at top	7.00	2.25
18kr red, No. 14, fair copy	6.00	2.00
1850-62, 18kr orange & 18kr red, Nos. 8 & 14, fair	13.00	3.25
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1874, 1 Mark violet, No. 31, slightly cut in at lower right	10.00	2.00
1 Mark violet, another copy same as last, slightly repaired, but very fine appearance	10.00	2.00
* 1876, 35 & 50pf, Nos. 42-43, both fine	10.00	2.00
1911, Luitpold, 2M to 20M, all very fine, Nos. 81-91	10.35	4.85
***Bechuanaland** 1886, 6d, No. 8, fine	4.00	1.30
1886, 6d, 1sh, 2p on 2p, Nos. 15, 25, 28, nice lot	7.50	2.25
1888, ½d surcharge inverted, No. 53a, fine	5.00	1.25
***Bermuda** 1873, 3d, No. 5	5.00	1.60
1875, 1d on 3d, No. 13	6.00	2.00
* 1d on 1sh, No. 14, fine	5.00	2.00
1904, 4d, No. 30	3.00	1.00
***Bolivia** 1899, 1, 2, 5, 10c, Nos. 55-58, scarce set	6.25	1.60
* 1899, 1, 2, 5c, 3 varieties, Nos. 55-6-7, 3 var.	4.75	1.60
* 1909, 5c imperf. and center inverted, a rare stamp. Several copies of this stamp were sold as high as $50.00	?	Bid Asked
* 1916, 5c blue, imperf. horizontal pair, No. 115a, scarce	..	1.00
* 5c blue, block of 4, mint	..	2.00
* 10c orange & blue, No. 116b, imperf. block of 4, scarce	..	2.00
***Brazil** 1843, 90r, even margins, very nice copy of this rare stamp, No. 6	75.00	37.50
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* 1913, 20,000r Official, No. 525, very fine	12.00	3.00
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Bremen 1861, 10gr black, No. 7, Bremen cancellation, very fine	35.00	17.50
* 3gr, No. 9, unused but probably re-gummed	40.00	8.00
* 1866, 7gr, No. 13	8.00	2.35
***British Columbia** 1867, 50c on 3d, No. 12, fine	12.00	4.50
British Guiana 1862, 1c brown, No. 23	20.00	5.00
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Brunswick 1852, 1gr, No. 1, lightly cancelled in blue, very fine	30.00	15.00
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3gr, same as last, black cancellation, margins close	7.50	1.50
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Bulgaria 1879, 10 & 25s, Nos. 2 & 3	4.25	1.40
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Canada 1851, 3d, No. 1, close at bottom, otherwise fine	8.00	2.00
1857, No. 8, close at right, good margins otherwise	12.50	3.10
6d, No. 10, green concellation	40.00	10.00
1858, 3d perf., No. 12a, fair only	50.00	10.00
* 1859, 10c, No. 16, o. g.	10.00	2.50
10c black violet, No. 17, rare	17.50	3.75
1857-59, 5c, 5c & ½d, No. 8, 15*, 15* (No. 8 has close margins), 3 var.	16.50	3.90
* 1869, 1c orange, No. 31, fine	8.00	2.65
1868-9, No. 23*, No. 23a* & No. 31, 3 varieties	8.50	2.20
* 1869-72, 1c & 6c, Nos. 32a & 35	7.00	1.75
* 1872, 10c, No. 36, fine copy	4.00	1.30
* 1912, War Tax, 5, 20, 50c o. g., 3 var. (see S. G.)	?	1.25
***Canal Zone** 1919, 2c inverted center, No. 42a, mint o. g., perfectly centered, a rare stamp	15.00	7.50
* Same as last, magnificent block of 4, mint o. g. and very rare	60.00	30.00
Cape of Good Hope 1853, 4d, No. 2, fine	6.00	3.00
* 1855, 1d red, No. 3, very fine	12.00	6.00
1d & 6d, Nos. 3 & 5, poor copies	18.00	3.60
1d & 6d, Nos. 4 & 5, somewhat close	12.75	3.10
2 copies No. 4 & 3 copies No. 5, none very fine, but fair, 5 var.	35.50	7.00
* 6d, No. 5a, stamp very slightly and invisibly repaired at top, good margins and very fine copy of this stamp	40.00	10.00
* 1864, 1sh, No. 19	5.00	1.25
1864-83, Nos. 18*, 20, 33*, 34*, 36*, 5 var., very nice lot	8.00	2.00
Ceylon 1857, 2d green, No. 4, fair	5.00	1.25
1857-61, ½d, No. 15, 1d, No. 17*, 2 var.	50.00	12.50
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* 1867, 3c, No. 2, large margins, fine	5.00	
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* Same as last sur., 15c, scarce, No. 37a	15.00	
* 25c on 3c black, black sur., No. 37b	20.00	
* Same as last sur. 15c, No. 37c, a rare stamp	20.00	
* 25c on 4c black sur., No. 37d, Galvez price	40.00	
* 50c on 4c, No. 38, fine	2.50	
* Same as last invert. sur., No. 38a, a rare stamp and not priced by Scott, Galvez price	50.00	
* Strip of 3, 2 No. 38 normal and center stamp, No. 38b, value omitted, a very rare stamp, fine	35.00	
* Same as last, pair, one with frame omitted, Nos. 38-38c, not priced by Scott, Galvez price	45.00	
* 05c on 3c, horizontal pair, Nos. 55-55a	11.00	
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***Falkland Is.** 1878-86, 6d, 1sh & 1d, very nice lot, Nos. 3, 4, 7	6.00	
* 1891, ½d sur. on ½ of 1d, No. 12	7.50	
* Same as last, 2 halves reconstructed, No. 12	15.00	
Fernando Po 1884, 5c, No. 9, sl. centered W., scarce	15.00	
Finland 1856, 10kop, No. 2, penmarked, nice appearing copy, sl. thin	7.50	
* 1860, 10kop rose, No. 5	5.00	
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France 1849, 15c green, repaired but very nice appearing copy, scarce	15.00	
1849, 40c orange, No. 7, close	10.00	
40c orange, No. 7, and 1fr, No. 9, both damaged	20.00	
40c orange, horizontal pair on original cover, left stamp is cut into and other slightly creased, but still a very nice cover	20.00	
1849-54, 4 copies No. 1, 1 copy No. 2, 2 copies No. 9, 1fr, one 1fr on part cover, 1 No. 10, 1 No. 11, 1 No. 44, 2 copies No. 36, 5fr, all more or less damaged, 12 stamps, cheap lot	111.50	
1852, 10c bistre repaired, No. 10	10.00	
1853, 1fr, No. 21, very good margins, dot cancellation, trifle heavy, a rare stamp	25.00	
1863-70, 5fr gray lilac, No. 36, 5 copies of this scarce stamp, 2 with slight defect, the others somewhat heavily cancelled and cancelled in red, a very interesting lot, 5 stamps	50.00	
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1870, 2c & 4c, Nos. 402 & 3, both fine	8.00	
* 1870, 1c, 2c, 5c, Nos. 401*, 402*, 404*	7.50	
* 1870, 1c, 2c, 5c, 20c, 25c, Nos. 401-2-4-6-7, very nice set	12.50	
***Gabon** 1916, Red Cross, No. 202, scarce	3.50	
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French China, Yunnansen, 50c, No. 1966, scarce	6.00	
Zanzibar, 1894, 1½a, No. 2803a, scarce	4.00	
Gambia 1869, 6c blue, No. 2, slight thin spot, fair only	20.00	
Germany, Thurn & Taxis, 1852, ⅓gr, No. 2	6.00	
Thurn & Taxis 1852, ⅓, ½, ⅔, 1gr & 6kr, Nos. 1, 8, 3, 4, 62, 5 var.	7.50	
1859, 5gr, 10gr, 2 fairly nice copies	18.00	
1852-9, Nos. 2, 9, 24, No. 2 close, 3 var.	9.00	
1867, ⅓gr green, No. 28, fine	8.00	
1859, 15 & 30gr, 2 copies, Nos. 51-52, fair only	12.00	
1872, 10gr gray, No. 12	9.00	
***German Levant**, 20pa on 10pf rose, 1884 issue, No. 502, fine	5.00	
1pia blue, No. 504, scarce stamp, fine	4.00	
***German China** 1906, 1 on 3pf to 2½d on 5M slate, all fine, lightly cancelled copies, Nos. 447-456, complete	11.95	

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German Morocco, 6p 25c on 5M sl. & carmine, No. 731, o. g., fine 7.00 1.75
2p 50c on 2M gray blue, o. g. and very fine 3.00 1.00
Great Britain 1865, 9d bistre, No. 46 ..... 10.00 2.00
1865, Same as last, horizontal pair, No. 46 ..... 20.00 4.00
1sh green, No. 48 ..... 6.00 1.50
1867, 3d rose plate, Nos. 8, 49 ..... 6.00 1.50
1880, 2sh brown, postmarked Liverpool, No. 77, very nice copy of this scarce stamp 40.00 20.00
1883, 2½sh, No. 96, o. g., fine ..... 2.50 .75
5sh rose, No. 108, very fine 3.50 1.35
10sh ultra., o. g., very fine, No. 109 ..... 6.00 2.45
Levant, 1903, 12pia, No. 1111, o. g., very fine 2.00 1.00
1903, 24pia, No. 1112, very fine 2.50 1.25
Greece 1917, 1L to 10dr, Nos. 241 to 248, 250-251, 10 var. 5.63 1.35
Canada 1863, 1d green, No. 3 ..... 3.00 .75
1863, 1d* & 6d, both fine ..... 5.50 .90
1883, 1d orange, No. 16, fine 8.00 2.35
1891, 1d on 8d bistre, vertical pair tete beche, No. 36a 3.00 1.00
Cuba, $1.00 black, 1899, No. 11, centered S. W. 7.00 1.75
Denburg 1864, 1½sh greenish blue, No. 11, large margins, fine 25.00 12.50
1859, 2sh red, No. 3, large margins, fine 7.50 3.75
Hanover 1851-9, 3pf and 1/10th, Nos. 6 and 16 ..... 7.50 2.50
1859, 2pf rose, very large margins 3 sides, No. 16 ..... 3.50 1.75
3pf green, No. 17, pink gum 15.00 3.75
1864, 2gr blue, No. 28, fine 3.50 1.75
Hawaii 1859, 2c black, No. 16, plate No. 3, very good copy of this scarce stamp 50.00 12.50
1861, 2c rose, No. 27, very good copy 12.50 4.10
1886, nice block of 4 o. g., No. 50 ..... 14.00 3.50
Hayti 1881, 1c red, No. 1, block of 4, corner of sheet, enormous margins 3.00 2.00
1904, 5c & 20c inverted, Nos. 84b & 87a ..... ? 1.50
Heligoland 1873-79, 1sch-1sch, 1M-5M, Nos. 7, 11, 22, 23, very nice lot.... 11.75 3.25
1879, 5M, No. 23, o. g. 4.00 2.00
Honduras 1914, 1c on 2c, block of 8 oddity, 3rd stamp in top row without any imprint of any kind, next stamp value omitted, and another stamp with surcharge reading 1 ce, an unusual piece, only one found in a large lot of Government remainders, this is really a very rare oddity and ought to bring a good price from some specialist ..... ? Bid Asked
1914, 2c gold, large size, No. 195, scarce 3.00 2.00
Hong Kong 1862, 8c yellow, No. 2, slight smudge 5.00 1.00
1863, 96c, No. 17 ..... 10.00 2.50
1874, 4c gray, perf. 12½, No. 21, a very scarce stamp 7.00 1.75
Iceland 1873, 16sk yellow, No. 7 ..... 3.50 .95
1873, 16sk, No. 4, and 16sk, No. 7 ..... 5.20 1.35
16sk orange, 5sk blue, Nos. 7 & 8* 6.50 1.60
1901, 50a blue & carmine, No. 33, very fine 3.00 1.50
1873, 4sk green, Nos. 151, 153 ..... 20.75 5.10
8sk violet, horizontal pair imperf., fine, No. 152a 10.00 2.00
1902, 5kr, o. g. perfect, very fine No. 44b 3.50 1.75
India 1909, Service, 2, 5, 10r, Nos. 259, 261, 262, scarce large stamps.... 3.15 1.00
1909, Service, 15r olive & blue 3.00 1.00
Chamba State Service, No. 53, last a in Chamba is an inverted V, scarce error not listed or priced ..... ? Bid Asked
Italy 1862, 80c orange, No. 21 ..... 5.00 1.25
1916, 5c green, fine block of 4 o. g., No. 89a, from bottom of sheet showing part of imprint, scarce 8.00 2.00
Jamaica 1860-63, 1d blue & 3d green, latter off center, Nos. 1 & 3..... 7.50 1.75
1860-1871, 1d blue, 6d lilac, both o. g. and fine, Nos. 1 & 11..... 5.00 1.60
1875, 2sh brown, 5sh violet, both o. g., Nos. 14 & 15, very fine..... 6.25 1.95
Japan 1872-5, Nos. 7, 39, 58, 72, fine lot 9.75 2.25
1874, 30s, No. 39, very fine copy 6.00 1.50
1875, Nos. 29, 49, 59 & 59, one of the latter slightly damaged, nice lot 14.50 1.95
Kiauchau 1906, 1c to 100c, Nos. 24 to 31, all fine, all postally cancelled copies, 8 var. 11.35 3.75
Kuan 1892, 2c to 40c, 7 var. fine lightly cancelled, Nos. 33 to 39 ..... 5.45 1.35
1896, 25, 50, 100, 3 horizontal pairs imperf., 63b-65b, worth about $5 .. 1.25
Latvija 1919, 10, 20, 30r, Nos. 83, 84, 85, mint and fine ..... 2.00 .50
Liberia 1860, 12c blue, No. 2, good copy 6.00 1.50
1892, 1, 2, 5, fine set, Nos. 42-3-4 ..... 6.00 1.50
1906, 1c to $5.00 complete, fine set, Nos. 101-13 ..... 2.40 .65
1918, 1c to $5.00 complete, Nos. 163-75, lightly cancelled set 8.35 2.35
Same as last, Nos. 163-72, set ..... 2.35 .65
1892, Official, $2.00 & $5.00, Nos. 361-2 ..... 6.50 1.85
1906, Official, 1c to $5.00 complete, Nos. 396-408, fine ..... 2.40 .65
1918, Official, 1c to $5.00, fine set, Nos. 445-457 ..... 10.35 2.60
Official, 1c to 75c, Nos. 445-54, fine set ..... 2.35 .65
Luxembourg 1852, No. 1, three good margins, very nice copy 3.00 1.00
1875, Official, 2c black, 30c violet, 2 fine copies, Nos. 203-208 ..... 6.00 2.00
1875-8, 40c & 1fr, 2 fine copies, Nos. 218, 225 ..... 6.50 2.10
1881, 1fr on 37½c bistre, No. 240, fine 3.00 1.00
Madeira 1875, 150r blue, No. 27, very nice copy 15.00 3.75
1871, 120r blue, No. 24, very nice copy 4.00 1.00
Malta 1863, ½d golden yellow 12.00 3.10
1886, 5sh rose, No. 14, well centered 3.00 1.50
Marshall Is. 1900, 25pf, No. 17, cancelled Nauru on entire cover addressed to Milwaukee, Wis., fine genuine postally used cover worth several times full catalog .... Bid Asked
1900, 5pf, 3pf and 1 25pf on cover postmarked Nauru 1900, fine genuine postally used cover, worth several times full catalog .. Bid Asked
30pf, No. 18, postmarked Nauru, addressed to Milwaukee, genuine postally used .... Bid Asked
Mauritius 1879-80, 8c, 17c, 25c, 3 very fine copies, Nos. 61, 63, 64 ..... 6.25 2.50
1879, 50c green, 2r 50c lilac, Nos. 66 and 67, very fine 3.00 1.20
1882-3, 25c, 50c, 16 on 17c, 2 on 17c, Nos. 70, 78, 73, 81, 4 var., fine 7.75 2.75
1885, 3c on 13c, 2c on 38c, Nos. 79-80, fine 4.00 1.35
Mecklenburg Schwerin 1864, 4-4s red, No. 4 postmarked "Roebel", fine 4.00 1.60
1865, 3sk orange, No. 8, fine 5.00 2.00
Mexico 1867, 8r, No. 40, fine 30.00 7.50
1868, 6c to 100c, Nos. 65-70, No. 70 slightly cut into at right 7.00 1.60
1872, 25c blue sur. "Anotado", Nos. 73, 78, 2 stamps 4.00 1.35
12c blue, No. 82, watermarked, fine 3.00 1.00
100c lilac, No. 98, good margins but slightly thin ..... 3.00 .75
25c red, perf. and watermarked, No. 89, a very fine copy of this rare stamp, Dist. No. 1 Gothic sur. Mexico ..... ? 15.00
6c, 50c, 100, Nos. 93, 96, 98, 3 very nice copies 5.60 1.35
50c orange, No 102, without moire on back, Scott lists No. 96 this way, but not No. 102, scarce 2.00
50c yellow, No. 102 ..... 7.50 1.75
1914-15, postage due stamps, 1-10c sur. Gobierno Villa, 1 Carranza sur., Nos. 434-8, Nos. 466-70, Nos. 495-499, 15 values..... 4.75 1.60
1915, Villa, 50c and 1 peso, Nos. 463-4 ..... 3.00 1.00
2, 3, 4, 5, 10c, imperf. horizontal pairs, Nos. 501a-5a ..... ? .50
4c, No. 503, block of 4 imperf. horizontal ..... ? .50
Same as last 4c, imperf. block of 4, double imprint, No. 503 ? .50
5c orange, No. 504, compound roulette and regular perf. .... .. .50
10c blue, No. 505, regular and compound perf. .... .50
1910, Official, 50-1 peso, Nos. 873-4, fine 4.25 1.35
Official, 5 peso, No. 875, very fine, mint 5.00 1.85
1911, Official, 1c to 1 peso complete 6.75 1.25
Official, 50-1 peso, Nos. 884-5 ..... 2.25 .75
Official, 1c to 1 peso, 10 var. 3.52 1.15
Guadalajara, 1867, 2r green, No. 7 ..... 5.00 1.25
Monaco 1859, 5c green, No. 7, fine 5.00 1.80
1859, 40c red and 80c orange, Nos. 10-11, fine 6.50 2.20
Monaco 1885, 5fr, No. 10, perfs.touch at bottom, but fine copy of this rare stamp ($35.00 at auction) 45.00 27.50
Mozambique Co. 1903, Nos. 42-46, fine set, all mint 6.50 1.65
1903, Same set as last lightly cancelled, fine 3.40 1.10
Nepal 1857, reprints, 6, 9, 3, 1d, 4 var., 1, 2, 3, 6, originals, catalog $330.00, set ..... ? 6.00
1874, 5sh, No. 54, very fine 5.00 1.35
Another copy same as last, just as fine 5.00 1.35
1877, ½d on 1d on 6d, No. 61, very fine 4.50 1.50
Netherlands 1864, 15c orange, No. 5, perfs. touch bottom 5.00 1.25
1867, 50c gold, No. 12, slightly cut in at top, scarce 9.00 2.20
1898, 2.50gld and 5gld, both fine, Nos. 86-86b 6.00 2.00
New Brunswick, 3d slightly cancelled, good margins, fine 12.50 6.25
Same as last, lightly cancelled, margins not quite so large 12.50 4.10

Newfoundland 1857, 3d green postally cancelled, No. 3, scarce 6.00 2.00
1862, lightly cancelled stamp, No. 17 ..... 17.50 3.75
6½c rose, no margins, No. 21 ..... 7.50 1.00
1868, 3c vermilion, No. 31, fair only 5.00 1.00
1868-73, 1c, No. 35, 3c, No. 32* (unused) 8.00 2.00
New South Wales 1851, 2d blue, No. 12, enormous margins top and bottom, lightly cancelled, fine 10.00 5.00
1854, 6d, No. 29, margins close 7.50 1.60
1860-79, 8d orange, 2d blue, Nos. 41a & 352*, latter unused 3.75 1.25
* 1885, 10sh, No. 75, fine, face $2.40 ..... 5.00 2.50
* Same as last, 10sh, No. 76, fine, face $2.40 ..... 4.00 2.40
1891, 10sh and 20sh, Nos. 209*, 210, 209* unused, both fine 7.00 2.35
1863, Register, No. 305, fine 3.50 1.25
New Zealand, 2d, 6d, latter margins close, Nos. 10-11, 1856-59 ..... 11.50 2.75
6d brown, No. 16, pelure paper, nice copy of this scarce stamp, 1862 20.00 7.10
1862, 1d, 2d, 3d, 6d, 1sh, Nos. 18a, 19, 20, 21a, 22, very good lot, 5 var. 24.50 6.25
* 1d, 2d, 6d, Nos. 23, 24, 28, very good lot 18.50 4.60
2d, 6d, 1sh, perfs. trimmed 2 sides, Nos. 24, 28, 29 ..... 3.75 .55
1874, 3d, 4d, 6d, Nos. 53-4-5, latter unused, fine 5.00 1.60
1862, 1sh, 2sh, Nos. 56-59, good 4.50 1.25
1874, 2sh, No. 59 ..... 3.50 .95
* 1898, 5d, 5d, Nos. 77-77a 4.25 1.10
1885, £4 blue, No. 272, fine 6.00 1.20
£8, No. 276, fine 5.00 1.00
£6 orange red, No. 274, fine 6.00 1.20
£7 brown red, fine, No. 275 ..... 15.00 3.00
£9 rose, No. 277, centered N. W. 17.50 3.50
£10 blue, No. 278 ..... 7.50 1.50
1d 1901, imperf. vertically, fine o. g. 5.00 1.00
*Nicaragua 1902, 5 blue, 5 red, 10c violet, imperf., Nos. 159a-161a ..... ? 2.00
1912, 1, 2, 5 peso, Nos. 307-8-9, fine ..... 2.85 .65
North Borneo 1883, 50c & $1.00, Nos. 6-7, fine 5.00 1.25
* 1886, $2.00 green, imperf, horizontal pair, No. 34a 20.00 3.10
1887, ½c-10c, 8 imperf. horizontal pairs, scarce ..... ? 1.50
1893, $2.00 green, horizontal imperf. pair, No. 71a, scarce ..... ? 2.00
* 1916, 1c, 2c Red Cross, Nos. 401-2 ..... 2.25 .75
* Red Cross, 1, 2, 6, 10, Nos. 401-2-6-8, fine, 4 var. 7.25 1.85
Norway 1854, 4sk, No. 1, large margins, very fine 3.50
* 1854, 4sk blue, No. 1, very skilfully repaired copy with large margins and very fine appearing copy of this scarce stamp..... 50.00 7.50
* 1883, 5 ore, No. 36c, very fine 4.00 1.65
Nova Scotia 1851, 1d red, margins rather close 25.00 6.00
*Nyassa 1903, small sur., 65, 115, 130r, Nos. 44, 45, 46, mint o. g., 3 values, scarce 8.00 2.00
Oldenburg 1858, 3gr, No. 8, light blue cancellation, margins small, but do not touch side, rare 60.00 12.00
1858, 1gr, No. 6, margins not large 6.00 1.20
Orange Free State 1877, 4d on 6d and 4d on 6d, Nos. 6, 7, both fine.... 7.00 2.35
1881, 1d on 5sh, 1d on 5sh, 1d on 5sh, Nos. 11, 12*, 15*, fine, 3 var. 18.50 5.75
3d on 4d, 5 var., Nos. 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 ..... 15.50 3.95
Panama 1904, 5c blue, block of 4, No. 78g, 1 stamp showing error M inverted, scarce ..... ? 3.00
Paraguay 1870, 2r blue, 3r black, Nos. 2, 3, fine 15.00 3.00
* 1881, 2c on 10 peso invert., No. 18a ..... ? 1.00
* 1908, 30c orange, No. 377 ..... 3.50 .95
1889, Official, 3 on 15, 5 on 15, Nos. 316-17 ..... 2.00 .50
1886, Official, 1c-5c, Nos. 301-303, fine 7.00 1.40
Official, 7c green, invert. sur., No. 304a 6.00 1.20
Official, 10c brown, invert. sur., No. 305a, fine 6.00 1.20
Official, 15c slate blue, invert. design on back, invert, Moire printed on face, an interesting oddity, No. 306b ..... ? 2.75
* Official, 20c claret, No. 307, fine ..... 4.50 .90
Official, Same as last, sur. inverted, likewise date on back 1886 inverted, No. 307a, scarce 6.00 1.50
Persia 1902, 2ch black, No. 223, scarce fine 6.00 1.50
1902, 5kr green, surcharge, mint horizontal pair, No. 288a ..... ? 2.00
1903, set Nos, 382-392 except No. 385, 9 var., fine set 3.10 1.00
1908, Colis Postaux, Nos. 701-12 & 714-15 ..... 6.57 1.35
Peru 1860-62, 1p red, 1p brown, latter cut into, Nos. 10 & 13 ..... 12.00 3.00
* 1868, 1p orange, No. 15, fine 6.00 2.20
1871, 5c red, 2c light blue, Nos. 19-20*, No. 19 cut into at top ..... 3.00 .75
1880-81, 1s, No. 33, 1s, No. 38 ..... 12.00 3.75
1901-3, 5c blue, 5c ultra., 50c green, Nos. 37, 56, 68a, latter has several perfs. trimmed 16.00 3.25
* 1881, 10c green, No. 57a, invert., fine 5.00 1.25
* 20c carmine, No. 58, fine 10.00 3.35
* 1883, 50c green, No. 84, slight 3mil tear at top 5.00 1.00
* 1sol rose, No. 85, fine 10.00 3.40
* 1881, 1sol rose, No. 38, fine 8.00 2.60
* 1915, 1c on 10c, 2c on 12c invert., Nos. 189a, 193a, scarce and fine 4.00 1.50
1884, Huacho 10 on 1, 5*, 7*, 3*, 12, 5 stamps 12.00 1.80
* Huacho, 5c blue, 10c green, Nos. 1 and 2, fine 5.00 1.25
* Huacho, 10c slate, fine, No. 3 ..... 6.00 1.20
*Philippines 1903, 1c to 13c, 8 var., fine 7.75 2.75
Poland, Cracow, 3h to 1kr, Nos. 41-51 and 56-9, all mint, fine set and rare 28.85 5.60
* 1918, 15pf red, invert. sur., No. 403, not listed nor priced by Scott, worth about $15.00 .... 10.00
* 20pf red, No. 404, catalog Yvert & Tellier Fr300 (about $25) .. 6.25
30pf, No. 406, mint, very scarce, Y. & T. Fr 750 (about $60.00) .. 15.00
40pf red, No. 407, rare, catalogue about $25.00 .... 6.25
Portugal 1862, 100r, No. 16, good margins, fair only ..... 3.00 .75
1867, 240r lilac, No. 33, a few perfs. missing 9.00 2.00
*Portuguese India, 15r rose, No. 37 ..... 5.00 1.00
* 1883, 4½ on 40r, No. 95, fine 7.50 2.50
* 1881, 1T on 50 & 8T on 200r, Nos. 137, 157 ..... 6.00 1.50
2T on 100r, 8T on 200r and 6r green 1883, Nos. 146*, 156*, 171 6.00 1.50
*Porto Rico 1899, 1, 2, 5, 8, 10c, Nos. 210-14, sur. "Specimen", a scarce set and interesting to specialist 2.00
Prince Edward Is. 1862, 1d, 2, 6, 9d, Nos. 4*, 5, 7*, 8, very nice lot..... 10.00 2.50
Prussia 1850, No. 1, 4pf green, fine 4.00 1.25
1850-8, 4pf, 2sgr and 4pf, Nos. 1, 7, 9* 12.00 3.10
* 1858, 4pf green, No. 9, nice copy 3.00 1.00
1858, 6pf orange, No. 10 ..... 4.00 1.20
1866, 10sgr, No. 21, a fair copy 6.00 1.50
Same as last, but finer copy 6.00 2.00
30sg blue, very fine copy, No. 22, worth nearly full catalogue in this condition 18.00 10.00
*Reunion 1915, black Red Cross sur. 10+5, fine 4.00 1.50
*Rhodesia 1890, 5sh orange, No. 10, slight crease, but finely centered, with original gum 5.00 1.25
Saxony 1851, 2gr blue, No. 7, fine 3.50 1.10
1851, 3pf green, No. 2a, fine 10.00 3.35
Schleswig Holstein 1864, 4sk blue, No. 15, fine 6.00 2.00
1864, 4sk blue, fine, No. 17 ..... 5.00 1.65
Another copy same as last, rather close 5.00 1.00
*Servia 1868, 2pa brown, good margins 3 sides, No. 17 ..... 5.00 1.25
* 1904, 1, 3, 5 dinar, Nos. 84-5-6, very fine ..... 2.65 .85
*Seychelles 1893, 90 on 96c violet, No. 13, very fine 6.00 2.50
* 1893, 45c, No. 17, very fine 3.00 1.40
* 1900, 75c, No. 26, very fine 4.00 2.00
* 1903, 3c on 15c, mint block of 4, No. 49, very fine 4.00 2.00
*Shanghai 1865, 2can black, No. 6, good copy 6.00 1.50
1865, 6can, No. 10, close 5.00 1.00
*Siam 1912, 1 and 2b, Nos. 151-2, both very fine 3.50 1.40
* 1912, 3b, No. 153, o. g., very fine 3.25 1.30
2 and 3b, Nos. 152-3, both very fine 3.00 1.25
* 5b, No. 154, o. g., very fine 5.00 2.25
Same as last, lightly cancelled, very fine 3.00 1.50
* 10b, No. 155, o. g., very fine 8.50 4.50
Same as last, very lightly cancelled copy on small piece of cover, very fine 6.00 3.00
Spain 1852-64, Nos. 15, 33, 36, 42, 58 and 64*, latter 2 somewhat close, but nice lot 20.50 5.00
1853, 12c, No. 20, rather close at right 8.00 2.00
1854, 3r vermilion, No. 28, good margins, lightly canc. 6.00 2.00
1865, 2r rose, No. 67, and 2r rose, No. 74* 7.00 1.75
1854, 2r green, No. 24, trifle close, but lightly cancelled 20.00 4.50
1866, 19c, No. 84, fine 10.00 4.00
1865, 1r, 2r and 2r, Nos. 78, 79, 80, slightly off center, 3 var. 28.00 5.75

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*	1873, 20c, No. 190	2.50	.65
	1872, 20c, 1 and 4pes, Nos. 184-185* and 190	8.50	2.20
*	1878, 4pes, No. 240, fine	2.50	1.00
*	1889, 4 and 10pes, Nos. 266-7	5.00	1.25
*	1900, 10pes, No. 288	4.00	1.30
*	1916, Senate, 4 var., Nos. 464-5-6-7, fine set	2.40	.90
	Same as last, used	4.00	1.00
*	Deputy, 4 var., Nos. 468 to 471, very fine	2.40	.90
	Same as last, used on piece of cover	4.00	1.00
	Morocco, 1914, 20c Special Delivery, No. 101, scarce	2.50	.65
*	Guinea, 1908, 05 on 3c invert., o. g., off center, not listed by Scott, rare	? Make offer	
*	1908, 05 on 4c green, o. g., rare, not listed by Scott	? Make offer	
*	1908, 05 on 4c green, block of 10, 4 of the stamps are with inverted sur., not priced by Scott. Galvez price $40.00	?	10.00
*	1908, Same as last, 05 on 3c violet, block of 10, No. 76, 4 of these stamps are inverted. Galvez price $40.00	?	10.00
	Straits Settlements 1867, 2 copies of No. 46, both very fair	6.00	1.50
*	1879, 7 on 32c pale red, No. 21, has trace of pencil mark, but is unused	5.00	1.25
	1884, 4c on 5c, No. 64, fine	7.00	2.50
*	Johore, $1.00, No. 24, o. g. and fine	4.00	1.50
*	50c on $3.00 and $1 on $2.00, Nos. 54-55, both o. g., very fine	7.00	2.85
*	Trengganu, 1917, 3 and 2c, 4+2c, 8+2c, 3 blocks of 4, **comma** variety, Nos. 101b, 102b, 103b, fine, mint	6.55	2.10
	***Surinam** 1892, 2½c, Nos. 22 and 22a, complete sheet showing 72 ordinary and 8 of No. 22a, scarce sheet	5.52	1.40
	Sweden 1858, 9 öre, No. 7, fine	5.00	1.60
	1858, Another copy same as last, No. 7, slightly centered E, but fine	5.00	1.25
*	1858-72, 50 öre, No. 12, and 50 öre, No. 26	10.00	..
	Switzerland 1918, "Kriegswirtschaft" from 3c to 30c, 8 var. on cover, very fine piece, scarce	7.10	1.75
	1918, "Kriegswirtschaft", Nos. 15-22, used on piece of cover, scarce	3.25	1.20
	***Syria** 1919, 20pia on 5F, No. 20, mint and very fine	7.50	2.25
	***Thrace** 1913, 25L on 1pi, No. 4, mint, very fine, scarce	15.00	3.00
	***Tobago** 1880, ½d, No. 8, fine	5.00	2.00
	***Tonga** 1897, 2sh ultra. and black, mint block of 4, very fine, face $1.60	3.60	1.65
	***Transvaal** 1895, 5sh, 10sh, Nos. 160-61	4.50	.65
*	1900, £5 V. R. I., mint and very fine	16.00	2.85
	1904-5, 2sh 6p, 5sh, 10sh, £1, all very fine, 4 var.	3.95	.65
	Trinidad 1860, 6d green, No. 31, fine	15.00	5.25
	1860, Another copy same as last, lighter shade, fine	15.00	5.25
*	1896, 5d, 6d, 1sh, Nos. 78, 79, 80, all mint and fine	2.60	1.10
	***Trinidad & Tobago** 1921, 5sh, No. 16, mint and fine	1.75	.80
*	1921, another copy, slightly different shade	1.75	.80
	Turkey 1863, 1pia, No. 7, fine	3.50	1.40
	1913, 5, 10, 25, 50pia, Nos. 265-8, all very fine copies	3.60	1.10
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Mr. Van Pelt was elected president of the club, Mr. John D. Schmidt, vice-president; Mr. Robert M. Mordecai, secretary and treasurer. As a name, The New Orleans Philatelic Club was decided upon.

There have been several attempts to organize clubs of this nature in New Orleans, but for various reasons they appear to have met with failure. That there is a great need for a philatelic club in this section, where there are so many collectors, is obvious.—ROBERT M. MORDECAI.

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BELGIUM.

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REFERENCE LIST.

1863. Same types as before, printed on machine-made paper, without watermark.

(a) Perforated 12½.

1 centime green.
10 centimes brown.
20 centimes blue.
40 centimes carmine.

(b) Perforated 12½ x 13½.

1 centime green.
10 centimes brown.
20 centimes blue.
40 centimes carmine.

(c) Perforated 14½.

1 centime green.
10 centimes brown.
20 centimes blue.
40 centimes carmine.

CHAPTER IX.

The De La Rue Designs.

The plates for the line engraved stamps having become so badly worn that they could no longer be used, and this process of stamp production having proved somewhat costly as well as tedious, rather than have new plates made from the existing dies the government decided on an entirely new series to be printed by typography. Having decided on the change the next step was to find a suitable design. Usually postal administrations, who do not employ their own skilled engravers, patronise one individual or firm, and in his (or their) ateliers its designs are mysteriously worked out and only when the stamps are on the point of appearing is the public informed that a change in type is contemplated. Following this usual plan, as Mr. Wiener had been the source of supply for the types of 1849 and 1850, he was asked by the government to submit designs. He prepared several and though some seem to have been eminently suitable none were acceptable to the administration.

Next it was decided to open a competition in which engravers everywhere were invited to take part. On February 3rd, 1864, the Minister of Public Works issued a circular stating the object of the competition and giving hints as to the style of design which would be acceptable. The length and breadth of the stamps was prescribed, and it was stipulated that the main portion of the design should be a portrait of the king to be shown within a circle. It was also announced that the value should be shown in numerals in the lower angles and that the inscriptions should consist of the words "BELGIQUE" and "POSTES" to be placed above and below the portrait respectively. Finally, and probably most important of all, a prize of 5000 francs (nominally $1000) was to be awarded to the successful competitor. Competitions of this sort have rarely been productive of satisfactory results for, as Mr. Moens aptly observed, "men of first rate ability will not enter into such competitions, as, if they do not win the prize, they lose entirely the result of months of labor, and are wounded in their *amour propre* by the success of some, perhaps, inferior artist."

This competition was entirely abortive, for though designs were submitted by eleven different artists only one was in any degree worthy of acceptance, and this the administration was not wholly satisfied with.

Finally the government decided to negotiate with that well-known firm of stamp manufacturers, Messrs. De La Rue & Co., of London,—a firm without a peer so far as the production of stamps by the surface-printed method is corncerned—and arrangements were soon made for them to supply a suitable design together with the dies and plates needed for the new series.

When all preparatory measures had been satisfactorily completed and some of the stamps were in actual process of being manufactured the public were informed of the forthcoming issue in a decree published on September 25, 1865, viz.:—

"We have decreed and do decr
Art. 1.—Postage stamps of a ne
sign will be issued for the purp
franking all articles to be transpor
mail.
Art. 2.—These stamps will be s
face value by the Administrati
Posts, the values being 1, 2, 5, 10,
and 40 centimes, and one franc.
The stamps of 10 centimes and
shall bear our portrait..
The stamps of values below 1
times shall bear the arms of the
dom.
All shall bear the word "POS
in the upper portion of the fram
the indication of value in the low
tion.
Art. 3—The color of each valu
differ from that of all the others.
Art. 4.—The stamps of previous
may be employed until July 1st
Those remaining in circulation o
date will, for a period of three m
be exchanged at any post office fo
lar values of the new types. Th
cease to be available for postage
expiration of the period named.
Art. 5.—Our Minister of
Works shall determine the valu
form, and the color of these s
He shall also determine the da
the placing in issue of the di
values mentioned above, and shal
such other dispositions as he may
necessary for the execution of th
ent decree.
(Signed) LEO

This Royal decree was short
lowed by a ministerial notice giv
colors of the proposed stamps a
date at which two of them were
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I.—The colors of the stamps which are to be used for the prepayment of all articles transported by the postal service shall be as follows:—

Stamps of 1 centime grey.
Stamps of 2 centimes blue.
Stamps of 5 centimes bistre.
Stamps of 10 centimes grey.
Stamps of 20 centimes blue.
Stamps of 30 centimes bistre.
Stamps of 40 centimes carmine.
Stamps of 1 franc lilac.

II.—The date of issue of the postage stamps of 30 centimes and of 1 franc is fixed for November 1st, 1865.

BRUSSELS, October 7th, 1865.

(Signed) JULES VAN DER STICHELEN."

It will be noted from the above that provision was made for stamps of the denominations of 1, 2 and 5 centimes and while these were not issued until all the portrait stamps appeared they really belong to this series as complementary values. As, however, they were not De La Rue productions, we have considered it best to follow the lead of the catalogues and treat them separately. It should also be noted that while the Royal decree specificaliy states, article 3, that each value shall have a distinctive color yet the same colors were chosen for the 1, 2 and 5 centimes as were used for the 10, 20 and 30 centimes. However, as the designs were so entirely different there was no danger of confusion.

The design consists of a profile bust of King Leopold I on a ground of fine horizontal lines within a rectangular frame. While the portrait is the same on all denominations and rests on a circular medallion in all except the 10 centimes, where it is oval, the frame work is distinctive for each value. But while the details are different the general *motif* is the same except for the 40c where the word "POSTES" at top is in graduated letters and the numerals in the lower corners are unduly large. It is hardly necessary to enter into a detailed description of the designs of stamps which are so well known and which, with the exception of the 1 franc, are still so cheap as to be within the means of the most modest collector, but it is interesting to note that one of the most important stipulations made in the government competition, *i. e.*, that the name "BELGIQUE" should form part of the design, has been entirely ignored, and like the preceding issues these stamps give no indication of the country of origin.

The dies were engraved on steel in relief and the plates were made by the electrotype process. These, like the last plates of the line-engraved stamps, contained 300 impressions. All the plates were made in London but only one value, the 1 franc, was printed in England. As the process of surface-printing was entirely new to the Belgian workman, pressmen were sent from England to instruct them; and as the inks and paper for the earlier impressions of all the values were imported from England, it gave rise to the erroneous notion that the early printing of the 10c, 20c, 30c and 40c was also executed in England. This was not the case, however, for though the early printings are far superior in execution to the later ones it is entirely due to the fact that these were turned out under the tutelage of the skilled English workmen. When the plates, dies, paper, ink, etc., were sent to Belgium a supply of 1 franc stamps ready for immediate use, if desired, was also shipped. According to Mr. Bouvez the supply consisted of only 100 sheets, but Mr. Westoby states there were 1500 sheets, or 450,000 stamps, and judging by the relative rarity of the London and locally produced franc stamps the latter seems much the more probable figure. Apart from the fineness of the impression the London printed 1 franc stamps may be immediately recognised by the perforation which gauges exactly 14 on all four sides.

The ministerial decree quoted above fixed the date of issue of the 30c and 1 franc stamps, which were entirely new denominations for Belgium, as November 1st, 1865, and a further notice dated November 24th, 1865, announced that the new 10c, 20c and 40c values would be placed in circulation on January 1st, 1866, so that there is no room for discussion as to the actual dates of issue of the stamps of this series.

The perforation was done, as before, by Gouweloos Freres under contract with the government and all the stamps perforated by this firm have a gauge of 14½ by 14. The first named always used for the horizontal lines of perforation, was the work of the same machine as was employed for the later printings of the line-engraved series. The 14 gauge evidently represented a new set of punches for the machine used in perforating the vertical rows. Or, it may be, as one writer has suggested, that Gouweloos Freres had an entirely new machine of the "comb" variety which would perforate three sides of each row of stamps at the same operation. This point could easily be proved by the examination of a few blocks but, at the time of writing, we have none to which we can refer. An interesting variety is known in this series in which the horizontal perforations of the 30c are entirely omitted. Mr. Overy Taylor says "the first sheets of the 30c were only perforated down the sides—such was the haste with which they were gotten ready."

(To be continued.)

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By A. E. Mollari.

Austria, in the Middle Ages, the center of the mightiest empire, under Francis Joseph, a world-power, has shrunk into one of the smallest countries. This fact alone is apt to attract the attention of all philatelists.

Once it was said of that empire: "Austria erit in orbe ultima" which means: "Austria will stay forever." It was a standing phrase and used as epitheton, but as we have seen, was devoid of truth. And from an empire it has turned into a republic. Thus the new stamps had to be different; the banknotes had to show some distinguishing mark from the former ones. The majority expected this to happen in the time of transformation. Some interested stamp-collectors, who were far-sighted enough, bought Austrian stamps, paper-money, and coins for ridiculously low prices owing to the low rate of exchange.

Austria's old stamps were, indeed, the model of artistic stamps—and so was the paper-money. A great many of those stamps were bought up by the Germans and Swiss, so that the scarcity of stamps with a lower face-value will soon be felt. And most probably despite the low exchange of Austrian money they cannot be bought any more for little money.

Apart from this it may be very interesting to know that in 1919 and 1920, stamps were used as change on a very large scale. Up to that time such a thing was unknown. It came about this way. The Italians in the occupied part of Tyrol, once of Austria, cashed the Austrian 1, 2, 5, 10, 20 heller coins and paid for them in centesimi, equalling centesimi and heller. If one considers that the Italians paid one lira for two and a half kronen, it is clear that a great many did not hesitate to take advantage of that.

Thus hundreds and thousands of pounds of smaller coins, representing the above-mentioned figures were smuggled into the occupied South-Tyrol. Soon the republic of Austria was almost without small coins, and consequently had no change. And it became a problem in that country how to provide change. But before the government ever undertook anything in that matter, people helped themselves—by using stamps. Thousands and hundred thousands were used in that way. Most of them soon became soiled, they stuck together, stuck to one's hands; in short, it was a dirty work to handle them, and the majority of the Austrians was fretting for having to handle them.

After a few months, physicians voiced their conviction, and said that those stamps were greatly responsible for spreading diseases. On that the authorities were urgently requested to issue paper-money to be used as change. What between the warnings of doctors and the crying need of change, and between the government hesitating to grant the petition, it led several municipalities to issue paper-money or scrip. Some scrips are very interesting as to their design. There are a great many varieties of them. Taken all together they tell a very interesting story of that unfortunate country. In those days the land as a whole suffered the throes of birth to a new life. The strong convulsions are, truly, pictured and represented by those designs.

It shows that some still clung to the monarchic regime, that they knew nothing of the new era; others contended, that a republic was the proper thing; others again expressed no faith in any kind of government and considered only either industry or agriculture as the only salvation of the country.

Those scrips further tell that the Austrains still are lovers of art, and this because of artistic designs, which must have cost money; some of the notes are of poor material and evinces that the poverty of the respective community must have been very great.

After the government of Vienna questioned the rights of a community to issue scrip, and found it necessary to prohibit further issuances all those notes were collected with the greatest eagerness. Austria's neighboring countries became the heaviest buyers, but also England dropped in on the market. One of the largest collections consists of 300 series, i.e., series of notes or scrip of different values issued by as many cities or towns. Such a collection sold in Switzerland for 8,000 frs. In our day only a few such collections can be bought; most of them have been sold.

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The Managing Editor was pleased to inspect the various specimens Mr. Hoffman had with him but was especially interested in a spring-back binder for the Weekly. This binder is all that the name implies and is handsomely made with the name Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News in gold lettering on the cover. This spring-back binder will enable dealer and collector to insert week by week the paper as it arrives and thus they will remain flat during the entire year. The binder will have permanent value and can be used during subsequent years unless it is considered desirable to keep the volume for the current year in the binder that holds it.

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By A. Koechlin.

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FOREWORD.

We have to acknowledge our indebtedness to the Controller of His Majesty's Stationery Office for permission to publish the map of the recently formed Nyasaland Protectorate, and to the Hon. Secretary (Mr. R. W. Hatswell) of *St. Martins le Grand Magazine* for some of the interesting postal subjects and the postal organisation map of British Central Africa, as well as for the free use of much interesting material from the pages of the Magazine. Our thanks are also due to the Secretary of the British South Africa Company, and to Messrs. Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co., for information they have courteously rendered to us; and to Mr. W. H. Peckitt for the loan of many of the rarer stamps illustrated. Mr. S. R. Turner has contributed several useful diagrams, Mr. G. T. Turner has placed his collection of "specimen" stamps at our disposal, and Mr. D. B. Armstrong has supplied some interesting notes.

The proofs have been revised by Mr. P. L. Pemberton and Mr. H. H. Harland.

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CHAPTER I.

Postal Arrangements

The Protectorate of British Central Africa (now the Nyasaland Protectorate) and the Sphere of Influence of the British South Africa Company in Central Africa lay north of the Zambesi, in the South Central portion of the African continent. The territories brought under British Influence, chiefly under the direction of Sir Harry Johnston, K.C.B., were bounded on the north by Lake Tanganyika and the Congo Free State; on the north-east by the former German East Africa, and on the east, south-east and west by Portuguese possessions.

Sir Harry Johnston, in his "British Central Africa" (London: 1897) says that the Sphere of Influence is much larger than the actual Protectorate, which is chiefly confined to the districts bordering on Lake Nyasa and on the river Shiré. The Sphere of Influence is administered under the Charter of the British South Africa Company; the Protectorate has always been administered directly under the Imperial Government from the time of its inception (1891). The Protectorate was formally declared May 14, 1891, and the designation suggested by Sir Harry Johnston, of the British Central Africa Protectorate, was officially adopted February 22, 1893.

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The institution of a proper postal service began in earnest in 1893, when the Postmaster-General of Cape Town (Sir Somerset French) was applied to for the loan of an officer of his department to organise the posts of the Protectorate. Mr. H. H. Harrhy, of the Cape Town Post Office, was "lent", and left Cape Town on May 11 for Tshiromo. He established, shortly after his arrival, a service of mail runners from Port Herald to Mpimbi on the Upper Shiré river (via Tshiromo, Tshikwawa and Blantyre), with numerous intermediate connections, and regular weekly mails in each direction between Tshiromo and Blantyre, a three-times-a-week service between Blantyre and Zomba, each way, and a once-a-week service between Blantyre, Mlanje, Mpimbi and Fort Johnston.

Post offices were established in 1893-4 at Blantyre, Fife, Fort Anderson, Fort Johnston, Fort Lister, Fort Maguire, Kalungwizi, Karonga, Mlanje, Port Herald, Rhodesia, Tanganyika, Tshikwawa, Tschinde, Tshiromo, Mpimbi, Zomba, Johnston Falls, Abercorn, Deep Bay, Likoma, Leopard Bay, Fort Liwonde and Fort Rosebery.

The details of the early organisation of the post in the Protectorate are best given in Mr. Harrhy's own words:—

"Zomba, owing to the unsettled state of the country in the northern portion of the territory, is in special communication with Fort Johnston and beyond. Mails from the United Kingdom and foreign countries are landed at the Tschinde mouth of the Zambesi—the port of entry for British Central Africa—are sorted at the Office of Exchange there, and are forwarded by steamer up the Zambesi and Shiré to Port Herald or Tshiromo, as opportunities offer.

During the dry season the Lower Shiré is rarely navigable above Pinda or Port Herald, and runners have, accordingly to be utilised for carrying the bags on to Tshiromo; between Tshiromo, Tshikwawa, Blantyre, Zomba and Mpimbi runners are used exclusively, while from Mpimbi to Fort Johnston the gunboat, 'Dove,' and houseboats manned by natives are available. Mails are conveyed from Fort Johnston to the various ports on Lake Nyasa by the German Government steamer, "Wissmann," and the African Lakes Company steamers, "Domira" and "Allala," and from Karonga to the south end of Lake Tanganyika and across to Lake Mwero and Johnston Falls by runners. The Offices, with the exception of Mlanje, where an educated native woman from

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During the rains the low-lying portions of Central Africa are flooded for many miles, and at that season of the year a poor carrier's lot is not a happy one. In February last [1894] two carriers carrying mail bags between Mpimbi and Zomba were confronted by several lions. Deeming discretion to be the better part of valour, they sought safety in the high branches of a friendly tree, and waited until their leonine majesties condescended to move on to pastures new.

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Between November 19 and December 28, 1893, Mr. Harrhy was in Chinde establishing a Post Office of Exchange on the British Concession there. At this office mails are landed from or transferred to the ocean-going steamers.

Sir Harry Johnston defies the functions of this Post Office of Exchange:—

"Letters or other material arriving from the outer world at Chinde are sorted at this Post Office of Exchange into bags for the various postal districts in British Central Africa, and into bags for the German territories and for the Congo Free State, and are then shipped up river by the various steamers plying between Chinde and Chiromo. At Chiromo the bags are sent overland to the different Post Offices of distribution between the Lower Shiré and Lake Nyasa, being carried by native postmen who wear a special uniform of scarlet and white. These men travel at the rate of 25 miles a day, and are wonderfully faithful and careful in the delivery of their precious charges. Cases have been known where postal carriers have been drowned in the crossing of flooded rivers by their obstinacy in not parting from their mail bags, and where they have fought bravely and successfully against odds in an attack by highway robbers. The negro of Central Africa has genuine respect for the written word. Of course, the time will come when, attendant on the growth of civilisation, native postmen will probably commit robberies of registered letters, as is occasionally done by their European colleagues; but, at the present time our mails are perfectly safe in their hands."

Mr. Harrhy, who was "lent" for one year to the British Central Africa authorities, returned to Cape Town in 1894, and was succeeded by Mr. J. E. McMaster as Postmaster-General of the young Protectorate. Later Mr. McMaster * became Vice-Consul at Chinde, Mr. J. T. Gosling following in the control of the Post Office Department.

Mr. Gosling has left some interesting records of postal work in British Central Africa, and was, we believe, the introducer of the first postal guide issued in the Protectorate, set up and printed by native Africans at the Blantyre Mission Press in 1899. This publication is now issued annually, and we quote from it the Queen's Regulations respecting the Mail Service made under the provisions of the "Africa Orders in Council, 1889 and 1893," by Her Majesty's Commissioner and Consul General for the British Central Africa Protectorate.

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(To be continued.)

SWEDEN AIR MAIL.

The bi-weekly air mail service between Stockholm and Reval, run by the Svenska Lufttrafik Aktiebolaget during the months of July, August and September, was suspended on October 1st. The American Minister, Ira N. Norris at Stockholm, reports that from a technical point of view the service was very successful, but the infrequency of passengers made it a non-paying enterprise.

The Postmaster General paid a subsidy for the carrying of mail but this was not large enough to cover even working expenses. Of 21 round trips promised, 19 were carried out. The distance was covered in 2 hours and 20 minutes, on an average, while the steamers take 24 hours. Only 21 passengers were carried altogether, and 800 kilos of mail were transportd from Stockholm to Reval.

This service has shown that aerial transportation over the Baltic is not only practicable but is likely to fill a real need when Russia again revives. The regular present air mail stamps with several new values will be used.

PHILATELY A MATTER OF FANCY.

By L. WEBSTER WICKES.

If a person wants to collect anything there is no law, rule or regulation requiring him to choose between rugs, pictures or stamps and he or she could as well collect yellow dogs, cooties or trained fleas if that is what gives pleasure and one is so inclined. When it comes to collecting stamps the only thing that I have found that actually limits a person is the number of piasters and pesetas available. Though I have only been interested in philately a short while, there are two things that I am continually running against and on which I have been unable to get the philatelist's point of view. I am certain I am not alone in my ignorance and thought you might care to run a short editorial some time to enlighten us.

The first point is—Why the apparent inconsistency in collecting "varieties"? (There is none.—Ed.) As an example, what is the reasoning of a stamp collector that gives an honored place in his album, collection or catalogue to a British Colonial stamp that is overprinted in black ink with "O S" and at the same time will throw into the scrap pile the same stamp with the same letters added and added for the same purpose, but in the second case the letters having been punched with a perforating machine. New South Wales, No. 379, for example, is cataloged 10c used but No. 80 perforated "O S" is valueless, or so I am told by an acknowledged authority. Personally I prefer the latter if it came to a choice as it is a neater, cleaner job and one less likely to be a fraud. If the "O S", "O H M S" etc., are given a rate, why not the "O B" of the Philippines?

The other point is that I fail to understand the reason for the continual harping on the profit to be made in collecting stamps. (It makes smooth the philatelic pathway with the lady of the house.—Ed.) For the collector, stamps are a hobby and generally an expensive one and always some drain on one's poke, I believe it is fair to say that the increase of the catalog price is hardly 10% a year. Assume that it is. In purchasing stamps, the general price paid by the collector is one-half catalog. A dealer must have a profit to stay in business and of all collectors, the philatelist is the most dependent on the dealer. The result is that one cannot expect to sell the general run of stamps for a fifth or a quarter of catalog. In other words, a stamp is purchased today for 50c which catalogs $1.00. Its selling price in hardly 20c. If the catalog price increases 10c a year it will be fifteen years before the stamp can be sold at a fifth catalog and get the original money back, to say nothing of interest. Most people find this out but do not just see the reason and immediately curse the dealers when they find they cannot sell out at the profit they thought they could when they started collecting.

Philately would be a sad sport if it were not for the dealers and those who are in the game as business. It seems to me much harm is done by the harping on the profits to be made in stamp collecting. The same energy and publicity expended on telling of the joys and fascination of the game would be much more worth while. If you would care to give a real philatelist's point of view or some enlightenment as to the method of reasoning, I am sure it would be read with interest.

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Mr. MacLaren, chairman of the niversary Committee broke the ice for the first time in the club history members were requested to bring wives, and bring them they did, wh the ladies were interested in stamp not it was very evident that they h good time. Following the banquet, Moses, president of the club, calle some of the members and visitors f speech, the result of which brought m interesting stamp incidents to light.

The exhibition of the afternoon sisted of the remaining volumes o Worthington collection, said colle comprising stamps of early Japan. W. Indies, Puerto Principe and ot Many rare and unique blocks of issues were to be found in the collec

The event was given wide publ by the local newspapers with the r that about 30 local collectors turne to see the display. The large maj of these collectors were not membe any society, local or national. Abou of our own members and out-of-t visitors were present and the ban in the evening was attended by 70 m bers and guests.

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t one time a mixture of green and k was used, some printings of which w a strong predominance of the en, in others the green is only dis- ed by very careful examination and n a mere trace. A larger part of the s used were easily effected by at- spheric conditions and as a result, a ater part of the stamps issued in this omination from 1863 to 66 are faded, ne being complete changelings. Of character are the light buff and ow green. Chemical fumes can also xe wondrous changes in delicate des and colors.

he first issue was done in a beautiful lilac shade, the printing clear and inct, every line showing the skill and e with which the plates were pre- ed. An unused K. K. specimen of stamp is a pearl of great price.

later issue was printed in what was bably intended to be a light violet, these stamps are now catalogued as a l blue. The earliest postmark I have in connection with the steel blue of July, 1862. This color is fugitive nature and light will fade it out to e washy blue or a near steel blue, ilar to our present 50 cent violet af- exposure to sunlight. One of the ly colors is the lilac brown, some des of which are very dark and all g of a stable character. The gray- k, dark green, and a late printing in ade resembling the early lilac brown, the rarest shades of this stamp, the l blue coming next in order. Fine l-centered specimens of this issue are worth away above catalogue. I ld classify the colors as:—(1) Red c, (2) Steel blue, (3) Lilac brown, Gray, (5) Grayish green.

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By BERTRAM W. H. POOLE.

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Mr. Bouvez writes "there were only 600 sheets of the first printing of 30 centimes made in Belgium, among which there were five or six sheets imperforate, which were delivered for sale by the Central Post Office. Besides, there were about fifteen sheets in which the horizontal perforation was entirely lacking, and some others on which the horizontal as well as the vertical perforation left much to be desired." We have made diligent search and can find no corroboration whatsoever as to the existence of the 30c imperforate, though both the 10c and 40c are known thus. As in the same paragraph this writer reports other non-existent varieties we are afraid little reliance can be placed on his statement regarding an imperforate 30c. We do know, however, that this value exists part-perforate but whether there were "about fifteen sheets" is probably sheer conjecture.

Towards the latter part of 1866 the government decided it was about time they owned their own perforating machine and they approached Gouweloos Freres on the matter. This firm asked 2,400 francs for their perforating-machines and as this was considered a little high enquiries were made of De La Rue & Co. The London firm stated the cost of a perforator would be 1,500 francs and the Belgian government ordered one. But when, in 1866, the perforator was delivered it appeared it was only the "set of punches," without the necessary machinery to work them, and this would cost some 8,000 francs more! The Government was staggered and determined to avail themselves of Gouweloos' offer but this firm was so indignant that it not only refused to sell its machines but also declined to perforate more than the contract number of 500 sheets of stamps per diem.

Eventually the Government purchased a machine on the Austrian principle—sometimes known as a "Harrow" machine—which would perforate whole sheets of 300 stamps at one operation. Mr. Westoby tells us that this machine was delivered late in 1866, and that the stamps first perforated by it were issued on January 1st, 1867. These stamps can be easily told from those perforated by Gouweloos by the gauge which is exactly 15 on all four sides. The 40c is known entirely imperforate and was first reported in this condition in 1896. As a dated copy of this error on a cover dated May 18th, 1868, is known, it is presumed that the imperforate sheet or sheets were issued about that time. A few months after the discovery of the 40c imperforate the 10c turned up in the same condition.

Co-incident with the acquisition of its own perforator the administration made a slight change in the paper. That supplied by De La Rue had been used up and a thicker paper of Belgian manufacture was employed. The two sorts of paper, catalogued as thin and thick, are supposed to be distinctive of the two styles of perforation, but Mr. Westoby says a thinner paper, also of Belgian manufacture, was subsequently made use of and should thus exist with the 15 perforation. All the paper used for the stamps of this series, whether thick or thin, was machine-made and unwatermarked.

Both Mr. Bouvez and Mr. de Bont agree that there were six separate series of these stamps in addition to the printing of the 1 franc made in London. Both writers also agree that three of these printings were perforated by Gouweloos and three by the Government, and their figures as to the actual numbers of stamps printed also correspond, viz.:—

(a) Perf. 14½x14.

10 centimes,	31,500,000
20 centimes,	18,000,000
30 centimes,	2,100,000
40 centimes,	2,100,000
1 franc,	165,000

(b) Perf. 15.

10 centimes,	48,000,000
20 centimes,	28,500,000
30 centimes,	3,600,000
40 centimes,	3,000,000
1 franc,	300,000

The 30c, 40c, and 1 franc values show slight deviations in tint, the 10c varies from pale grey to slate, while the 20c provides a diverse array of shades. All sorts of blues are found, including ultramarines, and some with a distinct lilac tinge.

There are striking differences in the impressions of the 10c and 20c stamps, partly due to gradual deterioration of the plates on account of the large number of printings, and partly to lack of skill on the part of the Belgian workmen. The designs are not unattractive and the early printings make a handsome series; but even when the plates were comparatively new the Belgian printers, after the expert English pressmen had returned to London, were not able to get satisfactory results. Consequently the stamps were received with ill-favor in Belgium and as each succeeding printing looked if anything worse than its predecessor, dissatisfaction became so pronounced that one of the members of the parliament—Mr. L. Hymans—addressed an interpellation on the subject to the Minister of Public Works, to which that official replied as follows.:—

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they possibly could be. Those previously in existence could be easily counterfeited. When it became necesary to carry out a reform, I addressed myself to one of the first Belgian artists, who submitted to me, some time since, a die with which he himself was not satisfied. I then opened a competition, with a prize of 5,000 francs destined for the winner; a dozen artists took part in it, and, I must say, the designs submitted to me were perfectly ridiculous. After this second disappointment, I reflected that if it were necessary to apply successively to all the Belgian engravers, it might be years before I should finish, so I addressed myself at once to a foreign house, whose specialty is the manufacture of stamps. That house submitted to me a design which is *perfection* itself; not one of the members of the Chamber to whom I have shown it will contradict me, and the first artist whom I had consulted was also of opinion that it was perfect. How is it that with this perfect die the administration has not been able to print irreproachable stamps? It is because the administration does not know how to print. This is the whole affair; we must learn to print, and then we shall have perfect stamps. As the die is destined to be replaced by the effigy of Leopold II, I do not think it is necessary to make any changes in it."

The stamps were printed in Brussels until the end of 1867 and after that the government printing works was transferred to Malines. The difficulties connected with surface printing, far from disappearing with practice, appear to have been augmented. The deterioration was particularly marked and rapid in the 10 and 20 centimes, some of the later impressions being mere blotches as compared with the first copies. This could hardly have been the fault of the plates for similar ones were used in England at the period to at least as great an extent and yet the last printings are practically equal to those made when the plates were new. The trouble was, therefore, as the Minister of Public Works admitted, with the lack of skill shown by the Belgian printers.

Writing with regard to this deterioration in 1871 Mr. Overy Taylor says: "So utter a failure was the 10c in their hands, that it became necessary to introduce some modifications into the design, consisting, no doubt, in a deepening of the lines, and probably the 20c was operated on in the same manner." Mr. Westoby also thought it possible that some of the casts were touched up. As the plates were electrotyped it would not have been possible to retouch them by deepening the lines, as the lines of the design were, of course, in relief. We believe that all the many minor varieties that can be found in the stamps of this issue are all entirely due to defective printing.

Gibbons' lists a variety of the 10c with "no shading on forehead" but this is of no more importance or philatelic interest than all the other varieties of a minor character that may be found. These consist of broken frame lines, broken and joined letters, missing periods, colored and uncolored flaws, etc.

Before proceeding to the next chapter it should be pointed out that the perforated stamps of the second type (1863 issue) were not available for postage after July 1st, 1866. A notice issued by the Postmaster-General to his subordinates is very clear on this point and states, among other matters, "after the date mentioned the post offices are to consider as unpaid all correspondence, the postage on which is represented by stamps of the old design." At the same time postmasters were admonished not to cancel these stamps so that the owners could recover their value by exchanging them for the then current stamps of similar denominations. The period of grace during which it was possible to exchange the old stamps for new extended for three months so that after September 30th, 1866, the old stamps were demonetised.

It is interesting to note that the majority of the stamps of the issue under notice were printed and circulated after the death of the monarch whose portrait they bear, for King Leopold I died in December, 1865.

Reference List.

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*1880, 1 cent gray brown, No. 40 ..... .15
*1880, 2 cent yellow green, No. 41 .... .75
*1880, 3 cent blue, No. 42 ..... .75
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*1887, 2 cent red orange, No. 46 ..... .08
1887, 3 cent umber brown, No. 47 ..... .25
1887, 5 cent dark blue, No. 48 ..... .30
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*1890-94, 3 cent gray lilac, No. 52 ..... .25
*1896, ½ cent orange red, No. 55 ..... .30
*1896, 2 cent green, No. 58 ..... .25
*1896, 3 cent deep blue, No. 59 ..... .60
*1897, 1 cent deep green, No. 61 ..... .10
*1897, 2 cent carmine lake, No. 62 .... .10
1897, 3 cent ultramarine, No. 63 ..... .10
*1897, 4 cent olive green, No. 64 ..... .12
1897, 5 cent violet, No. 65 ..... .12
1897, 6 cent red brown, No. 66 ..... .12
1897, 8 cent red orange, No. 67 ..... .18
1897, 10 cent black brown, No. 68 .... .25
*1897, 12 cent dark blue, No. 69 ..... .25
*1897, 15 cent scarlet, No. 70 ..... .30
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*1897, 30 cent slate, No. 72 ..... .60
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1861, 10 cent dark green, No. 68a ..... .30
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1855-6, 3ng yellow, No. 12 ..... .25
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EDITORIAL.

Unsolved—There are mysteries and mix-ups in our (pardon us for omitting "little" here) world that bid fair to shake reason's throne. Our all-rights-reserved Sherlock dismissed the *Scientific American* case with its great transformation scene, wherein J. Malcolm Bird, Associate Editor of the *Scientific American* became George B. Newton, Jr., of Germantown, Philadelphia. Mr. Bird made his pathetic plea for recognition in our issue of March 4, 1922. Mr. Newton has written that he "was astonished to find myself given credit for the authorship of that most interesting piece of philatelic publicity." We should insinuate as much. Further: "When I sent in the page from the magazine in question, altho I do not now recollect what notation I made thereon, furthest from my mind was the thought of claiming authorship; rather would I be wishing that such work were within my powers. Perhaps the error was due merely to a mixing of names in the editorial sanctum—but if the mistake is mine I trust that when you make correction in your columns you will extend my apologies to the real author—and accept them on your behalf as well for the trouble caused you." No apologies are necessary except from the editor. The blunder is his and he acknowledges it but how it could have been made is beyond him.

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Unhonored—Here is the story of how an innocent by-stander was the victim of repeated acts of cruelty. He attempts to tell how the damnable iteration was accomplished and withal, he succeeds so well that we must share his explanations with our readers. "G. A. H." sends our paper a little leaflet, "The Malta 3d Stamp on Script Watermark Paper," a good part of which we reproduce as an example of the best in humorous philately: "A Philatelic editor, not fortunate enough to belong to a trade union that restricts hours of labor for its members to a small daily minimum, overburdened with duties, and putting in much overtime, made a slip, and recorded the issue of the Malta 3d stamp of the new script watermarked paper. Unfortunately, he fathered the responsibility for it upon an innocent collector, with the result that this party was bombarded with enquiries from all parts by letter, by telephone, and by word of mouth. This may be very gratifying to the editor that his writings are so widely studied but it is not quite so gratifying to the injured innocent upon whom it was fathered, and who repudiates his paternity. *C'est le premier pas qui coute.* In order to prevent the spread of the error, other philatelic editors were notified of the mistake and warned not to repeat it. Then came Christmas, that mad, sad time when we let ourselves go, eat to repletion, cast aside our responsibilities, crack nuts and jokes, and indulge in frivolity of divers kinds. It is the season when editors gather fresh inspiration from turkey and stuffing, and plum pudding, and mince pie, and fruit and nuts, and their seasonable accompaniments. In the aftermath of this Christmas, a certain editor prepared his paper, while possibly still under a surfeit of cold turkey and pickles, and he dreamed dreams and saw visions. He reproduced the incorrect report and once more attempted to fasten responsibility for it upon the same old innocent party. Again is this party assailed with enquiries from divers places, and of the collectors who worry him thereon, only one has the conscience to enclose a stamp for reply, so that the injured innocent must either incur expense or risk the imputation of discourtesy to correspondents. Is this tale of imagination to be periodically raked up by others? The injured innocent wishes to state categorically that" and here follows ten cogent reasons that the stamp is not in being, or is even about to be because, to quote reasons nine and ten: "The authorities have not yet ordered its manufacture, because they still hold a huge stock of the old watermarked paper, and Sir Eric Geddes, with his big economy axe, will not permit the Crown Agents to destroy the old stock of old paper in order that collectors may get specimens for their albums of the new paper at as early a date as possible." There is more in the same rich vein and Mr. Higlett shows conclusively how philatelic editors allow their imaginations to run amuck.

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Unpaids—At a recent society meeting, a member in discussing questions of philatelic policy attacked the postage due stamps and predicted that the time was coming when they would no longer be catalogued. In our opinion, he made a mistake in condemning these stamps on the score of collecting appeal as the "unpaids" have all the philatelic claims for consideration. If the idea is to curtail the collecting range, that is another story, but as some have said these stamps represent the postage on letters exactly as the regulation postage stamps do, as they indicate that the tax for postage has been paid, before delivery. The postage is paid for carriage through the mails by the recipient rather than the sender but that development does not invalidate the postal claims of the labels. While the character of the service performed by the postage due stamp is based on an irregularity on the part of the sender of the letter, the stamp itself shows that the postage is to be paid before the delivery of the letter to the addressee. Indeed, it may be argued that these stamps have an added distinction and we predict that the true philatelist will never be inclined to give them the cold shoulder.

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Understood—A co-operative move on the part of the post office department has been announced by the authorities and for a time at least a question and answer department will be maintained in the *Postal Bulletin.* This service is intended to inform postmasters and thus reduce the necessity for correspondence on the part of the office at headquarters. This is a progressive step and in this connection we should like to see that a publicity man be installed in Washington who would supply collectors with news relating to stamps and kindred subjects. We believe that the postal officers appreciate the value of philatelists as a business asset and if a short cut could be established whereby they could have a bureau of information for easy consultation, the end would justify the means. While there is every disposition on the part of the Washington folk to be helpful yet an improvement could be made by the institution of a definite fountain-head of information.

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Unquestioned—Our enterprising contemporary, Stanley Gibbons *Monthly Circular,* announces the result of a plebiscite by readers as to what features they favored in the reading contents of the paper. The new issue chronicle has first place, we are pleased to see, as this result assures us that the department in question is a fundamental of the first importance. So long as readers are interested in the growth of stamps, so to say, philately will advance. The new issues of the stamp paper are the news of the day of the great daily, in effect.

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We regret that the two large advertisements of the Western Stamp Co., used March 4 and 11, appeared without the imprint "American Stamp Dealers' Association No. 33". The necessary instructions were received to insert this statement directly after the firm name in the address lines, but it was omitted through an oversight.

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200a	5c, very fine, * or used	
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210	10c blue, o. g., sing., blks., ea.	
210a	10c mky. blue, o. g., sing., blks., ea.	
210b	10c dark blue, o. g., sing., blks., ea.	
211	10c blue, o. g., sing., blks., ea.	
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By A. A. Leve.

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t century used blocks with much in-
t. Mr. Clark has gone a long way
rove the little simple law in philat-
y hat is expressed in a few words:
T law of Supply and Demand." He
nly proves that a used block wanted
y collector very badly will bring a
g price. Collecting blocks is not a
ac—it is a fact, and has been for years.
Clark suggests for instance that a
s(block of No. 33, is reasonably
gh $10.00. I would like a dozen
lo:s at that price, and in shades if
(1 get them. The fact is, blocks are
n always will be worth a great deal
nc in proportion to singles.
'ke the Milbury. What! a mere
a telle, catalogued $1750. Now, on
ni "thread label" I'll place a value
f 100,000 on a used block, who has a
do at that figure?—used or unused,
'out of the question. The demand is
r:er than the supply. Here's the 5c
N?. Postmaster, who has any blocks
t thousand times catalog? Echo an-
ws "Who?" Mr. Ward tells us the
Gi on collection included a block of 3.
5c e Gem! Can anyone buy it at 10
it s the price of singles? Why don't
h recent issues command these prices?
Tl supply is greater than the demand—
e use more stamps are used. Simple
sr it? I have an O. G. block of ten,
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PANAMA AND ITS POSTAGE STAMPS.

By Frederick E. Heydon.

Chapter XXXI.

Postal Cards.

Up to the time when Panama became an independent republic, the current Colombian postal cards were in use on the Isthmus and can only be distinguished by the cancellations. However, as a necessary chapter of the postal history of Panama those so used should be collected by specialists.

With the revolution, however, the necessity of surcharging was recognized and this was done pending the preparation of new dies. The cards were validated by the surcharge REPUBLICA DE—PANAMA in two lines as in the November, 1903, issue of adhesives. Stamp rectangular 22 x 27 mm. with arms of Colombia in oval in center, card 140 x 90 mm.

801. 2c black, surch. magenta, card buff.
802. 2c+2c black, surch. magenta, card buff (Reply).
803. 5c+2c black, surch. magenta, card buff (Reply).
804. 5c+2c black, surch. magenta, card salmon (Reply).
805. 2c black, surch. rose-red, card buff.
806. 2c+2c black, surch. rose-red, card buff (Reply).
807. 5c+2c black, surch. rose-red, card buff (Reply).
808. 5c+2c black, surch. rose-red, card salmon (Reply).

Similar to the above but surcharged in smaller type:

809. 2c black, surcharged magenta, card buff.
810. 2c+2c black, surch. magenta, card buff (Reply).

There is a later issue surcharged PANAMA.

811. 2c black, surch. violet, card buff.
812. 2c+2c black, surch. violet, card buff (Reply).
813. 5c+2c black, surch. violet, card buff (Reply).

I am listing these early surcharged issues from descriptions that are not perfectly satisfactory, and am unable to state positively which were from Panama and which from Colon.

In 1905 a beautiful postal card appeared printed by the American Bank Note Co., and of the same type as the 1c and 2c map type adhesives.

814. 2c carmine, card cream, 140x90mm.

In 1907 the Hamilton Bank Note Co. obtained the contract and we find postal cards with stamps of same types as the corresponding adhesives.

815. 1c green, black center (Balboa), card 140x90mm.
816. 2c red, black center (Cordoba), card 140x90mm.

In 1912, somewhat later than the corresponding adhesives, the new American Bank Note Co. issue of postal cards appeared, their imprint appearing in very small letters below the stamp.

817. 1c green, black center (Balboa), white card 140x90mm.
818. 2c red, black center (Cordoba), white, card 140x90mm.

The latest addition is part of the commemorative issue of 1921, and shows the Panama Puerta de Tierra (or land gate), part of the old fortified wall of the city.

819. 2c carmine stamp 22½x27½mm, white card, 140x90mm.

Chapter XXXII.

Postage Stamps Used Fiscally.

The earliest examples of postage stamps used fiscally are the three high values of the 1906-1907 issue.

208. 10c violet, black center (Obaldia).
209. 25c red-brown, black center (Herrera).
210. 50c black (Fabrega).

They are cancelled sometimes by punched holes or with a marking of the national arms of Panama in a large circle inscribed with name of department, etc. This circle is so large that only about half of it appears on a horizontal pair, and I am unable to give the full inscription. As it is quite unlike any postal cancellation, the stamps can be readily distinguished. Many of these stamps have been sold as postally used.

In 1915, a law was passed imposing a stamp tax on tickets to the bull ring, theatre tickets, bank checks, cigarettes and tobacco, perfumes and toilet articles, steamship tickets, etc., etc. This necessitated a provisional issue of the regular postage stamps surcharged "Ley 24 de 1915", but until the surcharged stamps were ready postage stamps were used without surcharge, and these can only be distinguished by the cancellations. As a rule these fiscal cancellations can be readily distinguished, but it is probable that thousands of these stamps are now in circulation and a word of caution is advisable. About the only thing in print on the subject is Forbin's catalogue, and while for some things Forbin is good authority, his list of Panama revenue stamps is a joke.

I list the following of later issues as used fiscally.

211. ½c orange (Map of Panama).
212. ½c dark rose (Map of Panama).
213. 1c green, black center (Balboa).
218a. 10c light reddish purple, black center (Obaldia).
226. 5c deep blue, black center (Gatun Locks).
227. 10c orange, black center (Culebra Cut).

Chapter XXXIII.

Revenue Stamps Used Postally.

When the revenue stamps designed for cigarettes, bull ring tickets, etc., and made by surcharging the regular postage stamps "Ley 24 de 1915" appeared, a considerable number of them were used for postage by the ignorant classes (mostly negroes) from the West Indies, British Guiana, etc., and also native Panamaians, who, being unable to read, had not the slightest idea as to what the mysterious surcharge was meant for. In fact many of the postal employees were no better informed. However, very few of these misused stamps have been preserved, the recipients of the letters having been as ignorant as the writers, and they are now decidedly scarce. I list the following:

213. 1c green, black center, surch. rose-red.
213. 1c green, black center, surch. black.
208. 10c violet, black center, surch. rose-red.

The 1c green "Ley 24 de 1915" revenue stamps were not valid for postal use and I have in my collection a cover bearing one of them with a postage due stamp to secure collection of proper rate on delivery.

While these are all that I know of, the existence of others is very probable. Taking into account the ignorance of officials at the smaller towns on the Isthmus, and the inadequate supplies furnished them, of which the bisected stamps are ample proof, it would not surprise me to see examples of almost any of the smaller revenue stamps, which are rather numerous, used for postage.

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65	1912-19, 3p violet on yellow	.05	.03
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1902, 4a gray & rose, No. 35		.03
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6a, 15a, each		.04
16a brown		.06
20a blue		.05
25a brown & green		.08
40a claret & violet		.12
50a gray & violet		.15
2k brown & green		.75
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5a green		.03
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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Mr. O. H. Sansom informs me that a small lot of the 1c stamps in an imperforate condition produced by the Rose electrotype method mentioned in this column some weeks back have reached the Chicago post office. These are from plate No. 13376, and it would be interesting to know if the stamp may be distinguished from those produced in the regular way. The Bureau states that they cannot, but stamp collectors have an eye for the unusual, and it is barely possible that we may be able to distinguish them. This stamp has not as yet been reported in a perforated condition although by this time, no doubt, supplies have reached several offices. I understand that the method saves the department considerable expense and consequently it will probably become the standard method of producing stamp plates. The variety is printed in sheets of four hundred subjects on unwatermarked paper.

When the current design of the 12c stamp first appeared during 1912, it was printed in a rich mahogany color. As the war came along and the Bureau ran out of dyes it took on a copper red hue and later this was somewhat darkened. By the time the stamp was issued perforated 11 it had reached what might be described as a deep copper red. This shade has remained somewhat constant and until recently I have had difficulty in finding any other color. Mr. G. G. Ryder now shows me the stamp perforated 11 in the mahogany shade of the early perforated 12 variety.

Mr. Olaf J. Olson who seems to be studying his stamps most carefully has located a copy of the $5 green issue of 1916, showing a slight double entry line at the bottom of the stamp. As a result an extra line is noticeable. He states this variety is constant on all sheets but does not mention its location. A close study would possibly bring to light double transfers on most denominations, but to date I have only seen fine examples on the 2c and 3c.

Some months back, I described in this column the finding of the $1 perforated 11, with a very distinct offset on the back. Later the 4c and then the 1c were mentioned. Lately the 1c has been distributed throughout the country and quite a few of our readers have sent in examples and have asked as to their rarity. An offset on the back which is a reverse impression from the next sheet while of interest adds very little to its value and is not to be confused with those having a direct impression on the back and described in the catalogue as "printed on both sides". The offset is always in the reverse and the lettering and head faces the other way. When the impression is direct it comes from the plate and consequently reads straight. Neither of these must be confused with the 2c and the 10c special delivery described as having a "pink" back, for this is due to the ink, the coloring coming through the paper from the impression on the front.

A great amount of publicity was recently given to the finding in New York of a current 2c counterfeit. The daily press inform us that a plant was located in West Allenhurst, N. J., and that several arrests were made. It seems that they were about to make other values as well as the 2c but as far as I have heard no other value had as yet reached the public.

ARMENIA.—Mr. Edmund S. Ward sends us a set of ten stamps with the following note: "How are the enclosed for philatelic atrocities? I'd like to bet that after five guesses you would be still wondering what they are, so I'll break the news. They are new Soviet stamps from Armenia."

The stamps are of different designs and sizes and are of the values and colors mentioned below: 1r green, 2r grey green, 3r red, 5r brown, 25r grey green, 50r red, 100r orange, 250r blue, 500r lilac brown, 1000r grey green and 2000r yellow.

ESTHONIA.—Prof. M. Loewy sends us a new 10m stamp from this country. The stamp is imperforate and portrays a blacksmith at his forge. Just below is the numerals of value with the letter "M" at each side and at the base "Eesti Vabariik".

FRANCE.—The 30c orange-red has had an extremely short life, being now superseded by a *scarlet* stamp of that denomination in the same (Sower) type and perf. Specimen from Whitfield King & Co.—*Stamp Collecting.*

HUNGARY.—Prof. M. Loewy submits for chronicle three values of the new set of stamps bearing the word "Hivatalos" in the centre in black. They are 10f red lilac, 100f rose and 250f blue.

KENYA.—We are indebted to Mr. W. Tunstall for a copy of the post office notice regarding the new postal rates. Mr. Tunstall tells us that there are no shilling or cents of a shilling in the country at present (January 14th), and that the 75c stamp on emerald paper is no longer obtainable, the old printings being again in use.

Our correspondent remarks that it is most likely that many of the stamps printed on the new paper, including the 1r on emerald, will never be issued.—*Stamp Collecting.*

MALTA.—We are in receipt of the following from Mr. Louis Carabott: "I have to inform you that the 3d old CA watermark surcharged "Self Government" were sold out over the counter today (Feb. 23rd) and that this stamp

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SSIA.—Mr. Karl Koslowski advises e following new issues: 2250r, in n, green and red, with the design ing boats on the river Volga. In- tion first line "Postage Stamp" 2nd "Help the hungry along the river a". The usual initials R. S. F. S. R. omitted. The blue 2250r, 1 line tage stamp", 2nd, "help the hungry" e R. S. F. S. R., 1921.

so No. 149 surcharged "R. S. F. S. R. the hungry" 250 + 250 rubles nge) also as above surcharged in c. Again the same stamp over- ed in red.

ssia No. 150 has also been sur- ged as above 100 + 100 in red and n in blue, and still again in black. Koslowski also adds that a new harge has appeared where the usual c values have been overprinted with letters "PYB" meaning ruble. The print reading up or down, and some le.

ARAWAK.—R. Roberts informs us he has received the following new ominations in the 1918 type without rmark.—5c orange, 6c maroon, 30c e and slate.

URKEY.—Mr. Arthur E. Wellington shown us the 10pa stamp of the set surcharged "PARIS 60" with ve characters above in two lines in k. Also the 1pia stamp of the C2 overprinted "4½ PIASTRES" and lines characters above. The over- t is in black.

BOOK REVIEW.

erne & Co., 111 Manchester St., ist Church, New Zealand, have just lished handbook No. 2 "New Zea- l", by R. J. G. Collins, Honorary retary of the Philatelic Society of v Zealand. The price of the book sh and it may be obtained from Eu- e Klein, American Agent, Philadel- a, Pa. This book is a most valuable interesting contribution to our lit- ure. The text shows the hand of a expert, while illustrations of both stamps and watermarks are scattered profusely throughout the book. Not only are the postal issues of the country fully covered, but there are chapters on the near stamps, also postal stationery, franks, postmarks, cancellations, essays, proofs, locals and forgeries.

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I come not as maiden with fickle smile,
To allure and to charm for a brief while,
And then seek another verdant bower,
As roams the bee from flower to flower.

Nor come I in purple robes and golden crown,
To stir men's hearts to seek sordid renown,
And then leave them ship-wrecked along the shore,
Where waves disconsolate echo evermore.

But from a higher plane do I come forth,
Arrayed in a glory of greater worth,
Whose radiance extends from sea to sea.
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My dominion every land embraces,
And my subjects are of all creeds and races;
War clouds in my fair sky no eye can scan,
For I teach peace and brotherhood of man.

My mission is to add to the cup of joy,
And dull care and worry as mists destroy;
To bring cheer and comfort to the lonely heart,
Whose course from fortune has drifted apart.

Fortunate is he who knows my pleasure,
And my legacies does fondly treasure,
For to him no path leads to grander height,
Nor effort produce a keener delight.

So now my followers assembled here,
To observe your Society's eighth year,
May you enjoy your proceedings and repast,
And continue loyal unto the last.

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* 1920, 20pa rose, No. 76	?	.15
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***Austria** 1890, 50, 1 and 2gld, Nos. 61-3	.65	.22
* 1896, 2gld green, No. 69	.30	.15
1916, 2, 3, 4kr, Nos. 160-162..	.28	.09
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* 1916, 3h to 10kr, Nos. 145-9, 154-9 and 168-75	1.64	.55
* 1919, 3h-1kr, Nos. 200-211....	.26	.07
* 1919-20, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 5, 7½, 10kr, Nos. 212-15 and 227-9	.67	.20
* 5, 10, 10, 15, 25, 30, 40, 60h imperf., Nos. 217-18-19, 231-35 and 4h News., No. 283..	.20	.05
* Newspaper, 1851, Nos. 252-3-4, Reprints	..	..
Newspaper, 1916, 2h to 30h, Nos. 272-6	.12	.05
* Newspaper, 1920, 5h to 45h, Nos. 284 to 293	.18	.04
Airpost, K1.50 & K2.50, Nos. 375-6	.35	.20
Charity, 1914, 5 & 10h, Nos. 401-2	.11	.04
Charity, Karlfonds, 10, 20, 45h, Nos. 408-10	.12	.05
* Postage Due, 1893, 1kr-50kr, Nos. 625-33	.68	.16
Postage Due, 1908, 1h-100h, Nos. 658-67	.32	.12
Postage Due, 1908, 1h-10kr, Nos. 658-69	.59	.20
* Postage Due, 1916, 5h-10kr, Nos. 673-83	.97	.37
* Postage Due, 1916-17, Prov., 1h to 50h, Nos. 670-1 and 684-7	.22	.07
* Postage Due, 1919, 5h-80h, Nos. 702-10	.19	.05
***Austria Italian Occupation,** 5, 10, 20, Nos. 876-8	.15	.06
* 5 and 20h, Nos. 886-7	.18	.09
* 5, 10, 20h, Nos. 933-5	.23	.10
* 1c to 1cor, Nos. 941-51	1.21	.38
* 1cor brown & green, No. 952	.40	.12
* Postage Due, 5c-30c, Nos.983-6	.23	.10
***Austria Turkey** 1867, 25 & 50sld, Nos. 1006-7	.65	.25
* 1883, 50c lilac, No. 1013	.15	.08
* 1900, 5, 10, 20pia, Nos. 1036-8	1.00	.35
* 1908, 10, 20, 30, 60pa, Nos. 1046-8 & 1050	.21	.07
* 1908, 10pa to 20pia, Nos. 1046, 1048, 1050-54, 1056, 1058	1.36	.45
* Postage Due, 1902, 1, 2, 5pia, Nos. 1102-4	.30	.12
* Postage Due, 1908, ¼ to 30pia, Nos. 1105-13	2.65	.72
Benadir, Charity, 1916 complete, Nos. 101-4	.69	.24
Bermuda 1908, 1d carm., No. 37	.08	.03
1910, 2½ ultra., No. 43	.08	.03
War Tax, 1d carm., No. 101	.35	.15
Bolivia 1894, 20c blue, No. 44, thin paper	.20	.07
1894, 50c claret, No. 45, thin paper	.30	.10
* 1899, 1, 2, 5, 10c, Nos. 55-8...	6.25	2.00
* 1899, 1c and 5c, Nos. 55-57 ..	2.75	.80
1909, 50c olive & black, No. 87	.40	.18
1909, 1bol brn. & blk., No. 88	.85	.38
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1911, 5c on 20c, No. 96, **Rare**	3.50	.90
1913, 1, 2, 5, 8, 10c, Nos. 103-7	.26	.10
1913, 50c violet, No. 108	.50	.18
1916, 1, 2, 5, 10c, Nos. 112-3-5-6	.21	.10
1916, ½c brown, pair Imperf. vert., No. 111a	?	1.25
* 1916, 5c blue Imp., No. 115a	?	2.00
* 1916, 10c orange & blue, no period, No. 116a	?	.15
***Bosnia** 1900, 20, 30, 40h, Nos. 17 19, 20	.75	.30
Charity, 1917, 10h & 15h, Nos. 241-2	.13	.06
Bosnia Karlfonds, 1918, 10, 15, 40h, Nos. 245-7	.12	.05
Brazil 1898, 100 on 50r yellow, No. 129	1.50	.35
Postage Due, 1906, 700r brn., No. 440	1.50	.45
Official, 10000r orange & grn., No. 513	1.00	.38
Official, 1906, 10r to 10000r, Nos. 501-13, used	1.04	.45
***British E. Africa** 1890, ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7½, 8a & 1r, Nos. 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 23, 36-7	1.90	.75
***British Honduras** 1891, 6 on 10c violet, No. 33	.25	.10
* 1891, 6 on 10c violet, No. 34	.25	.10
* 1891, 2c carmine, No. 38	.20	.08
* 1909, 2c carmine, No. 72	.08	.04
1913, 1, 2, 3, Nos. 75-6-7.....	.11	.06
1913, 5c ultra., No. 78	.10	.04
1915, 5c ultra., No. 87	.30	.12
War, 3c orange, No. 203	.20	.08
***Bulgaria** 1896, 15s purple, No. 45	.10	.05
* 1901, 5 & 10st, Nos. 53-4, **Rare**	.35	.20
* 1902, 5 & 10st Shipka, Nos. 70-71	.50	.18
* 1902, 5, 10, 15st Shipka, Nos. 70-72	.75	.30
* 1915, 1 leu chocolate, No. 121a	.15	.10
1917, 5s-50s, Nos. 122-26, used	.30	.15
* 1917, 5s-3 leu, Nos, 122-6	.60	.40
1918, 1, 2, 3st, Nos. 130-2	.17	.12
* 1919, 2 leu orange, No. 146 ..	.18	.12
* 1920, Vasoff Issue, 30c-5 leu, Nos. 147-52	.58	.40
* Postage Due, 1902, 30c brn., No. 375	.20	.07
Postage Due, 1915, 5, 30, 50s, Nos. 377, 380, 381	.20	.14
***Cameroon, French Occ.,** 5, 20, 30, 40, 45, 50c, Nos. 133, 135, 137, 139, 140 & 141	.55	.25
1c to 45c, Nos. 130-140, 11 var.	.80	.40
1c to 10c, Nos. 130-134	.18	.08
***Cayman Islands** 1900, ½d & 1d, Nos. 1 and 2	.33	.15
1905, 6d chocolate, No. 11 ...	2.00	.90
Ceylon 1885, 5 on 8c, No. 121 ...	.10	.04
* 1918, War, 5 varieties, Nos. 223, 401-4	.18	.10
***Chile** 1892, 15c dark grn., No. 33	.20	.08
1892, 1 peso brown & black, No. 35	.08	.04
* 1892, 2c lake, No. 37	.12	.05
1904, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10c, Nos. 58-61 & 64	.30	.15
1904, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 12c, Nos. 58 to 61, 64-7	.38	.18
* 1905, 50c blue and black, No. 77, **Fine**	.50	.20
1910, "Juan Fernandez", 1p bronze, **Scarce**	.60	.40
* 1910, 10c brn. and blk., No. 87	.10	.04
* 1911, 12c carm. & blk., No. 103	.18	.07
* 1911, 20c or. & black, No. 105	.12	.05
* 1911, 2, 5, 10 pesos, Nos. 110, 111, 112, mint, fine	7.00	3.40
1911, 1, 2, 5, 10 pesos, Nos. 109-12 used	3.10	1.75
* 1912, 14c carm. & blk., No. 117	.12	.05
* 1912, 60c blue & blk., No. 123	.35	.20
* 1915, 50c grn. & blk., No. 137	.30	.15
* 1915, 1 peso grn. & blk., No. 138	.50	.25
1895, Postage Due, 20c red on yellow, No. 425	.75	.30
1878-98, 1c to 25c, 7 varieties ..	..	.10
1900, 1c to 10c, 5 varieties ...	..	.10
1911, 1c to 1 peso, fine set 8 varieties	..	.15
***Congo** 1894, 5, 10, 50, 1 & 5fr, Nos. 14, 15, 17, 18, 19	5.00	2.00
1894, 5fr lake & black, No. 19, used, fine	1.25	.50
* 1895-8, 5, 10, 15, 40c, Nos. 20-23	.95	.40
* 1895, 5c red brn. & blk., No. 20	.15	.06
* 1895, 40c bluish grn. & blk., No. 23	.50	.20
1908, 1fr carm. & black, No. 37, surch, "Congo Belge"..	.30	.15
1908, 10fr, No. 40, surch. "Congo Belge"	1.50	.75
1909, 50c olive & black, No. 44	.30	.15
1910, 1fr carm. & blk., No. 51	.25	.12
1915, 5c to 5fr, Nos. 55 to 63, complete	1.95	.80
1915, 5fr ochre & blk., No. 63	1.25	.40
***Corea** 1885, 10mons blue, No. 2	.15	.08
* 1895, 50p violet, No. 9, un'd	.30	.12
* 1903, 2ch green, No. 41	.18	.09
* 1903, 3ch orange, No. 42	.23	.10
* Revenue, 50ch violet & 1 wen rose & blue		.05
***Costa Rica** 1901, 50c lilac & blue, No. 50	.30	.10
1901, 1col olive & blk., No. 51	.20	.10
1901, 2col rose & grn., No. 52	.35	.20
* 1901, 5 & 10col, Nos.53-54, mint	6.25	2.00
* 1903, 4c violet & black, No. 55, **Rare**	.20	.10
1903, 6c olive & black, No. 56, line canc.		.05
1907, 20, 25, 50, 1 & 2col, Nos. 64-8, line cancelled		.23
1907, 20 & 25c, Nos. 64-5, line cancelled		.05
1911, 1col of 1901 issue surcharged "correos Habilitada un centimo", never placed in use		.70
Postage Due, 1903, 15c-50c, Nos. 173-8, line cancellation		.25
Official, 1901-03, 1, 5, 20, 25c & 1col, Nos. 236, 238, 240, 242, 247, line cancelled		.40
* Official, 1908, 1, 2, 4, 25, 50 & 1col, Nos. 248-50 & 254-6, Mint	1.88	.50
Official, Same set used	1.42	.40
* Official, 1917, 5c orange, No. 260	.08	.03
Official, 1920, 15 on 20c olive, No. 262	.20	.08
Crete 1898, 10 & 20pa, Nos. 2-5	.80	.30
1908, 1L-10L, Nos. 85-87 & 96	.25	.10
1908, 1L-10L, Nos. 85-88 & 96	.55	.25
1908, 1L-25L, Nos. 85-90 & 96	1.05	.50
* 1908, 10L red, No. 88, Mint ..	.50	.20
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Revolution, "Map of Crete", 8 varieties, cat. by Yvert 80 francs, at present rate of exchange	6.40	.90
***Curacao** 1873, 50c violet, No. 6, Mint	.35	.15
1886, 12½c yellow, No. 8	.50	.20
* 1892, 30c gray, No. 23	.15	.06
Same used	.40	.15
1895, 2½ on 30 gray, No. 26..	.40	.15
* 1899, 25c carm. & blue, No. 27	.10	.05
Same used	.15	.07
Czecho-Slovakia 1918, 200h ultra., No. 9	.15	.06
1918, 400h violet, No. 10	.30	.12
1918, 25h blue, perf., No. 16..	.12	.04
1918, 200h ultra., perf., No. 20	.15	.06
1919, 300h green, No. 38	.15	.06
1919, 500h brown, No. 39	.35	.15
1919, 1000h violet, No. 40	.60	.25
10 varieties	.28	.10
* 1919, on Austrian stamps, 14 varieties	.56	.25
31 varieties	1.22	.48
Dahomey 1906, 1, 2, 4, 5, 10c, Nos. 17-21	.31	.15
1912, 5 on 2, 4, 15, 20, 25, & 10/40, Nos. 32-36, 38	.52	.25
Red Cross, 1915, 10c red & rose, No. 201	.10	.04
***Danzig,** 1st issue, 5pf-50pf, Nos. 1-4, 6, 8	.16	.08
* 1st issue, 5pf-M2.50, Nos. 1-4, 6, 8, 11, 12, 14, 15, 10 var.	.70	.40
* 1st issue, 5pf-5M, Nos. 1-4, 6, 8, 11-16, 18	1.47	.75
* Airpost, 40, 60, 1M, Nos. 201-3	.20	.09
Denmark, 50 & 100 ore, Nos. 66 & 67, 1904	.40	.12
1907, 5-100 ore, 7 var.	.20	.10
1913, 8 varieties	..	.10
1907, Newspaper, 1-1kr, 8 var., Nos. 201-8	.20	.10
1907, Newspaper, 1 ore-10kr, Nos. 201-10	.75	.30
1874-1913, 16 varieties	..	.15
***Dominican Rep.** 1900, 2, 10, 20, 50, Nos. 114-16-17-18	.70	.18
* 1895, 5c blue, **imperf.,** No. 98a	?	.10
* 1895, 10c or., **imperf.,** No. 99a	?	.10
Pairs and blocks at same rate.		
1904, on post. due, Nos. 146-8	.80	.20
1906, 1 on 10c gray, No. 162	.25	.08
1906, 2 on 5c olive, No. 163...	.35	.12
1911, 1, 2, 5, 10, Nos. 179 to 82	.38	.15
1914, 1, 2, 5, 10 "Duarte", Nos. 187-90	.47	.23
1914, 10c Duarte, No. 190	.25	.10
1911, 2c scarlet & black, invert. surcharge, No. 177b..	?	2.00
1911, 1 peso violet & black, No. 185	1.50	.60
1915, ½ on 20c yellow & black, No. 194b	?	1.50
1915, ½, 5, 10c **imperf.,** Nos. 200a-4b-5a	1.75	.60
***Dutch Indies** 1870, 10c brown, No. 5, no gum	.50	.10
1902, 10c chocolate, No. 48a..	.10	.04
1905, 1gld lilac, No. 55	.12	.05
* 1882, Postage Due, 50c carmine, No. 261, used or unused	.40	.15
1892, Postage Due, 10c carmine, No. 263		.15
* 1908, Postage Due, 75c carmine, No. 271		.85
1913, Postage Due, 20c red, No. 276		.15
* Java, ½c to 50c, 12 var., invert. sur.		? 2
Dienst, 1, 2, 2½, 5, 10c sur. invert.		? 4
East Africa & Uganda 1919, 4 on 6c carmine, No. 62		.10
1919, 6 varieties		.24
***Eastern Silesia on Czecho,** 8 var.		.42
***Eastern Silesia on Poland,** 5f-1kr, Nos. 41-6		.16
5f-5kr, Nos. 41-50		.64
***Ecuador** 1865, 1r green, No. 5, Reprint		
1872, 1 peso rose, No. 11, used		1.00
* 1881-7, 1, 2, 10, 20, 1, 2, 80c, Nos. 12, 13, 15, 16, 19, 20, 21		.20
1887, 80c olive, No. 21, used..		.25
* 1893, 5c on 10c blue, No. 33..		.25
* 1893, 5c on 50c maroon, No. 35		.15
* 1893, 5c on 5S lake, No. 38...		.20
1897, 1, 2, 10, 20, 50c & 1S, Nos. 127-8 & 130-33		.31
* 1904, Calderon, 1c-20c, Nos. 156-60		.55
* 1904, Calderon, 1c-50c complete, Nos. 156-61		5.55 1
* 1908, Triangle, 1c-1S complete, Nos. 174-80		1.12
* 1908, Triangle, 1c-1S without 5c		.87
* 1908, Triangle, 20, 50, 1S, Nos. 178-79-80		.55
1909, 20c gray, No. 186		.25
"Casa de Correos", 1920, 1c orange, No. 214		.10
"Casa de Correos", 1920, 1c red & blue, No. 215		.10
1907, 50c vio. & blk., No. 172		.20
* Postage Due, 1896, 1c-100c, Nos. 601-7, Reprints		
* Official, 1886, 1, 2, 10, 20, 50, 1, 2, 80, Nos. 701-10, 8 var.		7.00 1
Official, 1887, 5c blue, No. 709		.50
* Official, 1886-7, 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50, 1, 2, 80c, red surcharge		? 2
* Official, 1904, "Calderon", 1c-50c comp.		.. 1
Same used		.. 1
1915, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, Nos. 204-9		.16
20th Century, 20 varieties ...		.90
Official Seal, 1896, green (Yvert Fr. 3)		..
Egypt 1914, 20, 50, 100, 200M, Nos. 56-9		.32
Sphinx, 9 varieties		.39
Official, 1907, 1, 2, 3, 5M & 1pia, Nos. 202-7		.12
* Official, 5pia gray, No. 208, mint		.50
Postage Due, 1886, 2pia red, No. 109		.60
Epirus 1914, 1L-5D, Nos. 15-22, used or unused		.95
* 1914, 5D green & blue, No. 22		.45
Eritrea 1903, 1 lire, No. 28		.20
* 1908, 5 & 10c, Nos. 31-2		.30
* 1914, 5 on 15, 20 on 15, Nos. 42-3		.65
* Red Cross, 1915-16, 4 var., Nos. 151-4 comp.		.53
***Esthonia** 1918, 5, 15, 35, 70k, Nos. 1-4		.38
* 1919, 15 & 25M, Nos. 36-7		.80
14 varieties		.65
Bolshevik, 35, 50, 1, 3, 10r...		?
Fiji 1912, ½, 1, 2d, Nos. 80-82 ...		.14
Finland 1885-90, 7 varieties		.15
1901-11, 10 varieties		.24
1917, 5p-5m, Nos. 83-92		.24
1917, 10m, No. 93		.25
Wasa, 1918, 5, 10, 40, 50, 1M, Nos. 95, 96, 100, 101, 103 ...		.61
* Wasa, 1918, 5p-1m, Nos. 95-103 mint		.90
* 1919, Provisional, 10, 20, 50, 75p, Nos. 105-8		.23
* 1919, New Colors, 5, 10, 20, 25, 50P, Nos. 109-13		.23
Fiume 1919, 2c-10cor, Nos. 27-43		2.92
* 1920, "Valore Globale", 5c-10cor complete, Nos. 73-85		1.52
* Charity, 1919, 5c-10cor, Nos. 204-15		4.75
France 1849, 20c black, No. 3, very good		.50
1853, Empire, 80c rose, No. 20		.60
1862, Empire, 80c rose, No. 27, perf.		.20
1863, Empire, 80c rose, No. 35		.15
1900, Rep., 5fr blue & buff, No. 122		.25
* Red Cross, 1914, 10c red, No. 201, used or *		.12
* Red Cross, 1914, 10c red, No. 202, used or *		.10
* Military, 1904, 15c green, No. 283		.12
* Military, 1907, 10c red, No. 285		.12
Post. Due, 1882-1906, 10 var.		.36
Napoleon heads, scarce old set 13 var.		..
Liberty head, scarce old set 10 var.		..
1876-98, many good values, 18 var.		..
***Gold Coast** 1884, ½p grn., No. 12		.12
* 1898, ½ & 1p, Nos. 26 & 27 ...		.27
Same used		.20
1902, 2sh green & rose, No. 45, perf. initials		
1902, 5sh green & violet, No. 46, initialed		
1913, ½, 1, 2, 3p, Nos. 69-71 & 73		.20
1913, 1sh green, No. 75		.20
Grand Comoro 1897, 1, 2, 4, 5c, Nos. 1-4		.32
* 1897, 1, 2, 4, Nos. 1, 2, 3		.24
1912, 5 on 30c brown, No. 25		.08
1912, 5 on 15c blue, No. 22 ..		.05
1912, 10 on 40 red, No. 26 ...		.10
1912, 10 on 45 green, No. 27..		.10
1912, 10 on 50c rose, No. 28..		.10

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rt Britain 1912, 2sh 6p brn., No. 173	.30	.12
912, 5sh carmine, No. 174	.60	.25
919, 2sh 6p brown, No. 179, perf. initials	.20	.04
919, 10sh blue, No. 181, perf. initials		.20
Queen's heads, fine set	.60	.20
King Edward, only	..	.10
King Edward V	..	.10
ce 1906, 2dr rose, No. 195, heavily cancelled	.60	.15
13, 2dr brown, No. 731, fine	.45	.25
13, 5dr blue, No. 732	.65	.35
nezelos, 1L-10dr, Nos. 241-8, Nos. 250-51	5.00	2.75
17-18, 20 var., Nos. 295-333	5.52	1.00
17, 5 on 25L blue, No. 304	.15	.06
17, 5 on 10L blue, No. 312a	.35	.15
17, 10 on 70L blue, No. 316a	.60	.25
17, 10 on 90L blue, No. 317a	.50	.20
17, 20 on 30L blue, No. 318	.75	.30
17, 5 on 10L violet & red, No. 339	.20	.08
maha 1878, 1 peso yellow, No. 14	.40	.08
86, 1c dull blue, No. 31	.30	.10
87, 5c purple, No. 44b	.10	.04
01, 1 on 20c, 2 on 20c, 1 on 25c, Nos. 106-7-8	.22	.10
02, 1c-2 pesos, Nos. 114-23 & 41	.53	.20
02, 20c brown, No. 112	.20	.10
11, 5 pesos red & black, No. 142	.40	.12
18, $1.50 blue, No. 162	.10	.04
20, 2 on 30 & 2 on 60c, Nos. 168 & 9	.06	.03
i 1887, 3 & 5c, Nos. 23-4	.22	.10
06, 1, 3, 5, 7, 20c, Nos. 38 & 40-43	.29	.12
08, 2 & 5c, Nos. 47 & 49	.11	.05
98, 1, 2, 7, 10, Nos. 52, 53, 57, 59	.19	.08
98, 50c brown, No. 62	.15	.06
99, 1, 2, 5c, Nos. 64-6	.14	.05
02, 1, 2, 5c, Nos. 67-9, 74	.40	.12
02, 1, 1, 2, 2, 5, 5, 7, 10, 50c, Nos. 61-70, 73, 74, 75-7 & 80	2.55	.60
04, 2, 7, 20c, imperf., Nos. 84a, 85a, 87a	?	.12
04, 1c-50c, Nos. 89-95	.44	.20
04, 5c-50c, Nos. 91-95	.34	.15
04, 50c olive, No. 95	.10	.05
04, 2c-50c, Nos. 97-101	.30	.10
04, 1c-50c imperf., Nos. 96a to 101a	?	.22
04, 2c-50c, Nos. 103-7	.37	.10
MANY, Official, 1920, 10, 15, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60pf & Mark 1, 1.25, 2, 5, Nos. 252-61	1.17	.38
Kong 1904, 5c orange & green, No. 77	.12	.06
12, 30c orange & violet, No. 109	.12	.06
ary 1904-16, 1f-2kr, Nos. 86, 73, 77, 79, 85-94, 96, 98-100, 2, 3, 20 var.	.68	.30
16, 2f-5kr, Nos. 106-25, 20 var.	.74	.30
18, 40 & 50f, Nos. 131-2	.08	.05
18, 2f-40f, Nos. 153-62	.19	.08
18, 2f-10kr, Nos. 153-70	1.49	.75
garyar Posta, 2f-10kr, Nos. 178-97, 331-4, 605, 831-4 & 5, 27 var.	1.36	.60
ogue's Gallery", 20f-80f, Nos. 198-202	.50	.35
19, 2f-1.40, Nos. 203-18	.37	.20
rpost, 1918, 1.50 & 4.50kr, Nos. 651 & 2	.60	.25
rpost, 1920, 3, 8, 12kr, Nos. 853-5	.41	.20
st. Due, 1915, 2f-30f, Nos. 78-9-80 to 86	.24	.10
st. Due, 1919, 2f-50f, Nos. 802-12	.15	.08
st. Due, 1919, 2, 20, 40f, Nos. 831-4-5	.07	.03
ansylvania, 5 var., Nos. 107-8-10-11 & 20	.45	.20
ansylvania, 9 var., Nos. 104-6-7-8-10 to 13, 20	.88	.40
mesvar, 5 var., Nos. 1601-3, 4, 5, 11	.28	.15
varieties	1.20	.20
varieties	1.98	.35
1866, Service, 8a rose, No. 29	.75	.20
9, Service, 5r violet & blue, No. 261	1.00	.60
9, Service, 10r carmine & green, No. 262	2.00	1.00
0, C. E. F., 3pies rose, No. 655	.06	.03
me used	.06	.03
stal Service, 3r green & brown, Queen	?	.12
stal Service, 5r violet & ultra., Queen	?	.08
ng Edward, 12 var. postage	..	.15
ng George, 12 var. postage & Service	..	.10
chin, 15 varieties	..	.30
chin, 8 varieties	..	.15
derabad Official, 6 var.	.30	.12
dore, Service, ½-4a, Nos. 51, 51d, 52 & 57	.35	.15
shengarh, ½a magenta tete eche, No. 16b	2.50	.75
shengarh, ¼a blue, No. 18	.20	.08
shengarh, ½a green, No. 19	.75	.20
shengarh, 1a violet, No. 20	.50	.16
shengarh, ½a pink, No. 25	1.00	.30
shengarh, 2a yellow, No. 26	1.50	.50
tiala, Service, 1913, 3p-4a, Nos. 182-7	.41	.18
tiala, Service, 1913, 4a olive, No. 187	.18	.07
tiala, Service, 1913, 8a violet, No. 189	.30	.12
China 1900, 5c yellow grn., No. 17	.15	.07
00, 15c gray, No. 19	.20	.10
03, 15 on 25c blue, No. 23	.18	.09
07, 40c brown, No. 51	.15	.07
07, 45c orange, No. 52	.15	.07
07, 75c vermilion, No. 54	.30	.15
Ingermanland 1920, 5p-50p, Nos. 1-4	.18	.08
*Inhambane 1917, 200r red violet, No. 97	1.00	.33
1917, 500r black & red, No. 99	1.25	.60
1917, 700r gray black, No. 110	1.50	.50
*Italy 1855, 80c yellow, inverted head, No. 15b	.50	.15
* Charity, 1915, 10, 15, 20 & 20 on 15c, Nos. 101-4	.33	.18
Postage Due, 1869-1903, 5c 100 lire	.58	.25
Italy Austrian Occ., 32c on 30h, No. 111	.10	.05
* 1918, 2c-11.65c, Nos. 421-34	2.07	.70
Italy Levant, Special Del., 1pia rose, No. 551	.30	.15
Italy Turkey Salonica, 1pia on 25c blue, No. 724	.15	.07
Italy Turkey Smyrna 1909, 1pia on 25c blue, No. 784	.15	.08
*Italy China Pechino, 25c blue, No. 867	.20	.10
*Italy China Tientsin 1918, 25c blue, No. 968	.20	.10
*Italy Aegean Islands, 1916, 20 on 15c Calimno, Caso, Cos, etc., 12 var.	1.14	.50
Ivory Coast 1906, 1c-10c, Nos. 21-5	.35	.15
1936, 35c black on yellow, No. 30	.60	.30
1912, 10 on 40c red, No. 39	.12	.06
*Jamaica 1885, 3d olive, No. 22, mint	.30	.12
Same used	.15	.06
* 1901, Llandovery Falls, 1d red & black, No. 32	.12	.05
1905, 2½d ultra & blk., No. 42	.15	.06
1905, 3d olive, No. 43	.12	.05
1905, 5sh violet & black, No. 49, fiscal cancellation		.50
1906, 2sh vio. on blue, No. 57		.20
Same postally used	1.00	.40
1912, 4d scarlet & blk., No. 66	.06	.03
1912, 6d violet, No. 67	.08	.03
1912, 1sh green, No. 68	.15	.05
1912, 2sh ultra., No. 69, fiscal cancellation		.12
1912, 5sh scarlet & green, No. 70, fiscal cancellation		.20
1912, 1sh green "white back", No. 73	.75	.30
1919-20, 1sh orange, No. 83, fiscal cancellation		.06
1919-20, 2sh brown & blue, No. 84, fiscal cancellation		.10
1919-20, 10sh myrtle, No. 87, King Geo., fiscal canc.		.75
War, 1916, 3d violet on yellow, No. 303, pen canc.		.20
War, 1917, 3d violet on yellow, No. 309	.10	.05
War, 1919, 3d violet on yellow, No. 311	.20	.07
26 varieties up to 5sh, some fiscal cancelled		.95
Japan 1894, 2 & 5s, Nos. 85-6	.20	.08
1905, 3s rose, No. 110	.15	.06
1906, 1½s blue on Commemorative post card	.12	.10
1908, 5 & 10 yen, Nos. 113-14	.33	.15
1913, ½s-1y, Nos. 115-25	.49	.20
1914, 5 & 10y, Nos. 138-9	.18	.08
1915, 1½ & 3s, Nos. 140-41	.08	.03
1915, 4 & 10s, Nos. 142-3	.47	.25
1916, 1½ & 3s, Nos. 144-5	.12	.05
1919, Peace, 1½, 3, 4s, Nos. 147-9	.18	.10
1919, Peace, 1½-10s, Nos. 147-50	.33	.20
* Census, 1½ & 3s, Nos. 155-6	.18	.08
Military, 1910, 3s rose, No. 201 on cover	.25	.15
Military, 1914, 3s rose, No. 202	.40	.18
Military, 1915, 3s rose, No. 203	.15	.08
* Aeroplane, 1919, 1½s ultra., No. 251	1.00	.60
Revenue "picture of Santa Claus", 10 & 50 yen, handsome stamps	..	.14
Japan China 1914, ½s-1 yen, Nos. 333-43	.65	.25
1908, 5 yen green, No. 320	1.25	.50
Japan Corea 1900, 15 sen violet, No. 410	.12	.05
Kiauchau 1906, 2 & 4c, Nos. 25-6, postally used	.15	.08
1906, 2, 4, 10, 20c, Nos. 25-8, postally used	1.10	.50
1906, 1c-$1.00, Nos. 24-31, postally used	..	4.50
Labuan 1892, 2c rose, No. 33	.15	.05
1892, 10c brown, No 37	.50	.13
1892, 12c ultra., No. 38	.60	.15
1892, 2c-40c, Nos. 33-9	5.45	1.75
1896, 25 & 50c, Nos. 63-4	.55	.17
* 1898, 18c bistre & blk., No. 84	.60	.25
* 1900, 5c light blue & black, No. 97	.23	.10
Lagos 1904, 1d red, No. 51	.10	.05
*Latvija 1919, 5, 10, 15, Nos. 3-5	.25	.19
1919, 3k-75k, Nos. 25-9, 31-3	.50	.25
1919, 10c gray blue, part perf., No. 56a	?	.12
1919, 3 & 5r, Nos. 57-8	.35	.25
1920, 50k-5r, Nos. 70-73	.48	.30
* 10, 20, 30r, Nos. 82, 84, 85	2.00	1.00
* 10, 30, 50r, Nos. 95, 97, 98	.73	.50
39 varieties including 18th of Nov., Courland, Riga, Commemorative, Provisionals & Red Cross	1.33	.50
Liberia 1892, $1, $2, $5, Nos. 42-3-4	6.00	2.25
1897 & 1913, 3 & 8c, Nos. 58, 128	.22	.15
1906, 1c-$5.00, Nos. 101-13	2.40	1.00
1914, 2 & 3c, Nos. 134-5	.11	.05
1918, 1c-75c, Nos. 163-72	2.35	.98
1918, 1c-$5.00, Nos. 163-75	8.35	3.50
Registration, 1906, 5 varieties, Nos. 310-14	.50	.25
Official, 1906, 1c-$5.00, Nos. 396-408	2.40	1.00
Official, 1906, $1, $2, $5, Nos. 406-8	1.45	.65
Official, 1918, 1c-75c, Nos. 445-55	2.35	.98
Official, 1918, 1c-$5, Nos. 445-57	10.35	3.75
* 1915, 1 on 2c lake & black, No. 156	.15	.07
* 1915, Same Official, No. 442	.15	.07
Libia 1912, 5 lire blue & rose, No. 11	1.00	.50
* Charity, 1915, 10, 15, 20c & 20 on 15, Nos. 101-4	.51	.22
Lithuania 1919, 10sk-30sk, Nos. 7-10	2.10	.63
1919, 10sk-5auk, Nos. 30-39	1.13	.50
1919, 10sk-5auk, Nos. 40-49	1.02	.50
1919, 10sk-5auk, Nos. 50-60	.54	.35
The above 3 sets, Nos. 30-60	2.69	1.10
Lourenzo Marques 1914, 115r on 10r violet, No. 132	.50	.18
1914, 130r on 2or grn., No. 135	.50	.22
1914, 130r on 150r carm., No. 137	.50	.20
1915, 130r on 150r carm., No. 143	.25	.10
1916, 150r orange brn., No. 150	.35	.12
1916, 400r dull blue, No. 155	.80	.30
1916, 500r blk. & red, No. 154	1.00	.33
1916, 700r violet, No. 155	1.50	.52
1916, 400r on 50r, No. 156	1.50	.68
1916, 400r on 75r rose, No. 147	1.00	.45
Luxembourg 1916, 87½ on 1fr brown, No. 140	.40	.18
Madagascar 1896-01, 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 25c, Nos. 28-30, 33, 35, 42, 46	.54	.25
1903, 1, 2, 4, 5, 15c, Nos. 62, 64, 65, 66, 68	.26	.12
1908, 5 on 15 & 20c, Nos. 95-6	.14	.07
1908, 5 on 2, 20, 30, 10 on 40 & 50, Nos. 99-103	.58	.30
1896, 1c lilac blue, No. 28	.06	.03
1896, 50c rose, No. 38	.25	.12
1896, 4c claret, No. 30	.10	.04
1900, 10c red, No. 52	.05	.03
1903, 2c brown, No. 64	.05	.03
1903, 4c brown, No. 65	.05	.03
1908, 35c red & black, No. 37	.08	.04
Malta, 13 varieties	.80	.35
*Marieaverder 1920, 5pf-3M, Nos. 1-13	1.54	.58
* 1920, Kwizdyn, 5pf-5M, Nos. 40-53	1.80	.75
Martinique 1888, 1 on 2c, No. 11	.10	.05
1888, 1 on 1c, No. 12	.20	.10
1892, 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 15, 25, 5, 10, Nos. 33-38, 40, 46, 47	.51	.25
1912, 5 on 15c gray, No. 78	.05	.03
* Postage Due, 1887, 1c black, No. 20	.25	.15
Mauritania 1906, 1, 2, 4c, Nos. 1-3	.23	.10
1906, 1, 2, 4, 5, Nos. 1-4	.43	.20
Red Cross, 1915, 10c rose & orange, No. 91	.10	.04
Mayotte 1892, 1, 2, 4c, Nos. 1, 2, 3	.20	.06
1892, 1, 2, 4, 5, Nos. 1-4	.35	.12
1912, 10 on 45c green, No. 29	.10	.05
1912, Nos. 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 7 varieties	.47	.22
*Memel 1920, 5, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50pf, Nos. 15-20	.45	.15
Moheli 1906, 2, 4, 5c, Nos. 2-4	.26	.12
*Montenegro 1907, 1, 2, 5kr, Nos. 71-2-3	.26	.09
1910, 1, 2, 10, 15, 20, 25pa, Nos. 74, 75, 77, 78, 79, 80	.18	.07
1910, 1pa-5per without 50pa, Nos. 74-81, 83-85	.53	.32
* 1910, 1pa-5 per, Nos. 75-85	.86	.42
Postage Due, 1907, 5pa-25pa, A. R., Nos. 194-5 & 54	.19	.08
Postage Due, 1905, 1k pale gray, No. 193	.50	.18
*Montenegro Austrian Occ. 1917, 10 & 15h, Nos. 301-2	1.20	.75
Morocco Locals, 10 var., priced by old catalog at 75c	?	.15
*Mexico 1861, Reprints, Nos. 4, 5, 9-12		1.50
* 1872, Reprints, 6c-100c, Nos. 93-6 & 8		.35
* 1886, 50, 1 and 2 pesos, Nos. 160-62	.24	.08
1903, 50c carmine & black, No. 309, very fine	.15	.08
* 1914, 5c green, imperf. pair, No. 369a	?	.25
Block of four	?	.40
* 1914, 1, 2, 5, 10, Lower Calif., Nos 401-4	.85	.40
Villa Sur., 4c carm., No. 458	.50	.20
Villa Sur., 10c blue & orange, No. 460	.50	.18
Villa Sur., 15c blue & claret, No. 461	.60	.22
Villa Sur., 20c red & blue, No. 462	.75	.25
* Villa Sur., 50c brown & black, No. 463	1.00	.40
* Villa Sur., 1 peso blue & black, No. 464	2.00	.75
Carranza Sur., 1915, 4c carmine, No. 487	.35	.15
Carranza Sur., 1915, 10c blue & carmine, No. 489	.20	.08
Carranza Sur., 1915, 15c blue & claret, No. 490	.35	.15
Carranza Sur., 1915, 20c red & blue, No. 491	.50	.20
* Carranza Sur., 1915, 50c brn. & black, No. 492	.75	.30
* Carranza Sur., 1915, 1 peso blue & black, No. 493	1.00	.50
* 1915, 1, 2, 4, 10c, Nos. 500-1-3-5	.21	.10
* 1916, 5 pesos claret & ultra., No. 511	.75	.50
1916, 1 peso blue & black, No 526	1.00	.40
* 1916, 4c carmine, No. 531	.20	.12
1916, 15c blue & claret, No. 536	.35	.15
* 1916, 10c blue Carranza, No. 574, Scarce	.20	.10
* 1916, 1 peso on 4c Postage Due, No. 600	.40	.15
* 1916, 1 peso on 2c Postage Due, No 599	.40	.20
* 1916, 1 peso on 5c Postage Due, No. 601	.40	.20
* 1916, 1 peso on 10c Postage Due, No. 602	.40	.20
* 1921, 10c blue & brn., No. 632	?	.12
* Madero Essays, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10	?	.15
Same Imperforate	?	.30
* Red Cross, 1918, 5 & 10c, Nos. 731-2	.80	.30
* Special Delivery, 20c red & black, No. 741	.40	.20
* Porte de Mar, 1879, 2c 100c, Nos. 777-82	.36	.18
Official 1910, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 20c, Nos. 866-70 & 72	1.80	.50
Official, 1910, 50c carmine & black, No. 873	1.25	.50
Official, 1910, 1 peso blue & black, No. 874	3.00	1.00
* Official, 1, 2, 3, 5c, No. 876, 7, 8, 80	.17	.18
* Official, 15 & 20c, Nos. 882 & 3	.50	.20
Official, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 20, Nos. 876-7 & 80-1-2, used	.77	.30
Official, 4c carmine, No. 879	.40	.16
* Official, 1911, 50c red brown & black, No. 884	1.00	.36
Same used	1.00	.36
* Official, 1911, 1 peso blue & black, No. 885	1.25	.50
Same used	1.25	.50
* Official, 1915, 2, 3, 4, 10c, Nos. 888-9-90-92	.72	.30
* Official, 1915, 16c blue, No. 892, inverted surr.	?	.25
Official, 1915-16, 2c green, No. 894	?	.20
* Official, 1915-16, 40c slate, No. 899	.60	.25
* Official, 1915-16, 40c slate, inverted surr., No. 899a	?	.50
Official, 1915-16, 1 peso brown & black, No. 910	1.00	.40
* Official, 1916, 2c grn., No. 904	.60	.25
* Official, 1916, 3c brn., No. 905	.30	.15
Official, 1916, 50c brown & black, No. 911	1.50	.65
*Mozambique Co. 1894, 2½r-1000r, Nos. 9a-23, 15 var.	5.52	2.00
Same used	2.18	1.00
1894, 2½r-80r, Nos. 9a-17	1.03	.40
* 1903, 65, 115, 130, 400, 700r, Nos. 42-46	6.50	2.00
Same used	3.40	1.35
1894, 75r rose, No. 16	.10	.04
1894, 80r green, No. 17	.10	.04
1894, 150r orange brn., No. 19	.15	.06
1903, 25r carmine, No. 51	.10	.04
1903, 75r lilac, No. 53	.10	.15
1911, 5r orange, No. 62	1.25	.50
1911, 15r green, No. 65	.29	.10
Natal 1904, 1sh blue & rose, No. 106, Rev. Cancellation		.25
Netherlands, Charity, 1906, 1, 3, 5c, Nos. 225-7	.19	.12
Postage Due, 1907, on "De Ruyter", 1, 1½, 2½, Nos. 328 to 30	.28	.15
*New Brunswick 1863, 2c orange, No. 12	.20	.12
*New Caledonia 1886, 5 on 1fr green, surr. inv., No. 8b	.40	.22
* 1891, 10 on 30c brown, No. 12	.25	.10
* 1891, 10 on 30c yellow brown, No. 12a	.25	.10
* 1891, 10 on 30c, inv. surr., No. 12b, either shade	.25	.10
* 1891, 10 on 40c red, No. 13	.25	.15
* 1891, 10 on 40c red, inv. surr., No. 13a	.25	.15
1892, 1 & 2c, Nos. 40-41	.11	.06
* 1892, 2c brown, No. 41	.06	.03
1900, 5 on 4c claret, No. 53	.10	.05
1900, 15c gray, No. 57	.12	.06
1905, 35c yellow, No. 96a	.08	.05
1912, 5 on 15, 20, 30c, Nos. 104, 5, 6	.34	.15
* Red Cross, 10, 10, 15c, Nos. 251, 2, 3	.38	.20
* Red Cross, 10c carm., No. 251	.20	.07
Newfoundland 1901, 4c violet, No. 85	.15	.04
* 1910, 1c green, No. 87	.20	.08
1918, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, Nos. 115-19	.29	.15
*New Hebrides 1910, 5c green, No. 106	.10	.05
1910, 10c rose, No. 107	.15	.07
*Nicaragua 1869, 1c-25c, Nos. 3-7	1.37	.30
* 1878, 1c-25c, Nos. 8-12	3.15	.60
The 2 above sets for only	..	.75
* 1902, 5, 5, 10c imperf., Nos. 159 to 61a	?	1.50
* 1903, Zelaya head, 1c-1 peso, Nos. 167-74, 74 underpriced	.80	.75
* 1903, 15, 20, 50 & 1 peso, Nos. 171-4	.40	.30
* 1903, 1, 2, 5, 10 errors, Nos. 167b, 68b, 69b, 70b, underpriced	1.00	1.00
* 1904, 15 on 10c violet, No. 176c	.75	.30
* 1905, 1c-5 pesos, Nos. 179-91	1.24	.75
* 1905, 1, 2, 5 pesos, Nos. 189-91	.36	.25
* 1906, 10 on 2c rose, No. 193	.50	.18
* 1906, 20c on 2c rose, No. 197	.18	.08
* 1906, 20 on 5c blue, No. 198	.30	.12
* 1906, 50 on 6c slate, No. 199	.30	.12
* 1909, 10 on 2 pesos green, No. 235	?	.20
* 1909, 10 on 5 pesos violet, No. 236	?	.50
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1911, 10c on 2c, No. 283	.25	.10
1912, 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25c, Nos. 297, 99, 301, 302, 3, 4	.36	.12
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1913, 2 on 20c red, No 319	.50	.20
1913, 2 on 1c green, No. 331	.25	.10
* 1913, 2 on 25c green & black, No. 332	.50	.20
1913, 5 on 50c olive, No 334	.15	.08
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* 1915, 1 & 5 pesos, Nos. 543-14	1.05	.45
Montenegro, P. D., 1905, 1k pale gray, No. 193	.50	.15
1905, 25h blue, No. 57	.12	.05
1905, 50h green, No. 58	.15	.08
New Zealand 1909 8d blue, No. 137	.20	.09
Nigeria 1914, 6d lilac, No. 7	.12	.06
1914, 2sh 6d, No. 9	.75	.40
No. Borneo 1883, 50-$1, Nos. 6-7	5.00	1.65
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1887, ½, 1, 4, 5, 8, 10c, imperf., Nos. 35b, 36a, 39a, 40a, 41a, 42b	?	2.50
* 1893, 1c bistre, No. 59	.10	.05
* 1897, 1, 2, 3c, Nos. 79, 80, 81	.48	.26
* 1897, 2c rose & black, No. 80	.15	.06
* 1897, 3c lilac & green, No. 81	.25	.12
1897, 12c blue & black, No. 85	.08	.04

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*	1897, 1, 2, 3, 5, 12, 18, 24c, Nos. 79-82, 85, 88-9	2.58	1.15
*	1899, 4c green & blk., No. 1.2	.10	.05
	1900, 4c rose & black, No. 103	.15	.07
	1901, 8c brown, No. 111	.08	04
	1901, 1c-10c, Nos. 105-11 & 118	.50	.20
	1901, 1c-24c, Nos. 105-14	.87	.39
	1909, 1, 2, 3, 4c, Nos. 136-39	.11	.07
	1909, 18c, No. 146	.12	.09
*	Postage Due, 1897, 2c rose & black, No. 309	.75	.30
	Postage Due, 1901, 2c-8c, Nos. 311-16	.50	.25
*	Red Cross, 1916, 1c chocolate & black	.75	30
*	Red Cross, 1916, 2c green & black, No. 402	1.00	35
*	Red Cross, 1918, 1c chocolate & bl., No. 432	.12	.09
*	Red Cross, 1918, 3c rose & black, No. 434	.20	.12
	Nossi Be 1894, 1c lilac, No. 32	.10	.04
	Nova Scotia 1860, 5c blue, No. 10 damaged	1.00	.05
	***Nyassa** 1898, 100r blue, No. 22	.30	.15
*	1903, 65, 115, 130r, Nos. 44-5-6	8.00	2.20
	1910, 5 on 2½r, No. 49	.40	.18
*	1921, ½ to 7½r, Nos. 81-90	.32	.10
	Obock 1892, 4c claret, No. 34	.15	.08
	***Palestine** 1918, 1, 2, 4, 5M, Nos. 103-4-6-7	.16	.08
	1918, 1m-2pia, Nos. 103-109	.43	.20
	***Panama** 1892, 20c violet, No. 19	.15	.06
*	1903, 50c bistre pair, Nos. 74 & 74a	?	.50
*	1904, 5c blue, inverted M in Panama, No. 78g, in blk. 4	?	1.25
*	1904, 50c bistre, No. 138	1.25	.50
*	1906, 1 on 20c, double surch., No. 181c	?	.70
*	5 on 1 peso, No. 184	.30	.06
*	1906, 2c red & black	.10	.05
*	1906, 10c violet & black	.30	.15
*	1906, 25c brown & black	.50	.30
*	1909, 10c violet & black, No. 202, no gum	.30	.10
*	1913, 2½c grn., No. 203, Scarce	.50	.30
*	1919, 2 on 2½c scarlet & black, No. 217	.35	.15
*	A. R., 5c blue, No. 476	.10	.04
	***Papua** 1907, ½p green & black, No. 34	.25	.15
*	1911, 2p violet, No. 52	.10	06
*	1911, 6d brown, No. 55	.40	.20
*	1917, 1d on ½, 2½, 4d & 2sh 6d, Nos. 71, 3, 4, 7	1.20	.75
	***Paraguay** 1879, 5c orange brown, No. 12 (reprint)		05
*	1879, 5c orange, same imperf. (reprint)		.08
*	1879, 10c green, No. 13		.10
*	1879, 10c, Same imp., No. 13a		.25
	The above 4		25
*	1881, 1, 2, 4c, Nos. 14, 15, 16	.57	.22
*	1881, 4c brown, No. 16	.15	.06
*	1881, 1 on 10c green, No. 17a, imperf. reprint	?	.10
*	1892, 10c violet & blue, No. 31	.50	.20
*	1901, 1 peso, No. 57, Scarce	.35	20
*	1904, 10c blue, No. 100	.20	.10
	1908, 5p blue & black, No. 141	1.00	.40
*	1908, 20c on 1c greenish blue, No. 151	.25	.10
	1908, 5 on 28c orange, No. 155	1.50	.50
	1908, 5 on 40c blue, No. 156	1.25	.45
	1908, 20 on 5c blue, No. 170a	2.00	.75
*	1908, 1 on 1 peso rose & blk., No. 171	.60	.30
	1908, 1 on 1p lake & black, No. 172, used or *	.50	.20
*	1910, 75c blue, No. 196	.30	.12
	1910, 20c, No. 196a	.30	.12
*	1913, 20c red, No. 209	.06	.02
*	1913, 40c, No. 211	.12	.04
*	1913, 75c blue, No. 214	.20	.06
*	1913, 1 peso blue, No. 216	.30	.10
	1913, Same used	.15	.06
*	1913, 1.25 peso, No. 217	.35	.12
*	1913, 3 peso, No. 219	.75	.25
*	1913, 1c-3 peso, Nos. 205-19	2.16	1.00
*	1918, 40c brown, No. 223	.15	.06
*	1918, 5c on 40c brn., No. 224	.06	.03
*	1918, 30 on 40c rose, No. 225	.10	.04
*	1918, 5 on 1c gray, No. 226	1.00	.25
*	1920, 1 peso brown, No. 229	.25	.10
*	1920, 50 on 80c yel., No. 230	.15	.06
*	Official, 1892, 5c blue, No. 335	.12	.05
*	Official, 1908, 20c vio., No. 369	.75	.25
	Official, 1889, 3 on 5 & 5 on 15, Nos. 316-17	2.00	.75
*	Post. Due, 1904, 4, 10, 20c, Nos. 402-4	.60	.25
*	Post. Due, 1904, 10c green, No. 403	.20	.06
*	Post. Due, 1913, 1, 2, 5, 10	.09	.05
*	Proofs of Type A6 in 8 colors	?	.70
*	Telegraph, 1 & 2 pesos, cat. by Yvert (fr. 975)	..	.25
	14 varieties	..	.30
	Persia 1902, 12c ultra., No. 239	.60	.16
	1902, 1k violet & blue, No. 253	.06	.03
	1902, 2k green & blue, No. 254	.06	.03
	1902, 5k ochre & blue, without surcharge, No. 288a	2.50	.45
	1903, 1c-1k, Nos. 353-62	.55	.20
	1905, Nos. 405-6-7-9	.70	.23
	1905, Nos. 411, 413, 414, 417	?	.35
	1907, 1c-30kr without 4kr, Nos. 428-38-441 to 444	1.53	.50
	Official, 1903, 1c-10k, Nos. 888-97	.56	.20
*	1870, 8s green, No. 9, reprint	2.00	.15
	1882, 5, 10, 25c, Nos. 50-1-2	.90	.15
	1894, 1c-50k, Nos. 90-100	1.01	.40
*	1898, 1c-50k, Nos. 104-119	1.02	.32
	Same used	1.02	.32
*	1899, 5k brown, No. 149	.12	.05
*	1899, 10k blue, No. 150	.40	.10
	1902, 1c-50k, Nos. 173-90	2.47	.45
	Parcel Post, 1908, 1c-10k, Nos. 701-12-14-15	5.57	1.15
	Parcel Post, 1908, 1c-1kr, Nos. 701-709	1.82	.40
	Philippine Is. 1911-20, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 16, 20, 30 and 1 peso	..	.15
	1896, 15c green, No. 176	.20	.07
	1896, 20c orange, No. 177	.25	.08
	1897, 5 on 5c green, No. 181	.50	.15
	1898, 20c maroon, No. 206	.35	.12
*	1899, 5c blue, No. 216	.15	.08
	1908, 12c lake, No. 247	.30	.12
	1908, 2.00 black, No. 252	2.50	.70
	1911, 2.00 brown, No. 272	.30	.06
	1911-17, 4 pesos blue	.60	.09
	Special Del., 20c, No. 453	.20	.08
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	Same used	.40	.15
	Post. Due, 1899, 5sol green, No. 334	5.00	1.25
*	Post. Due, 1902, 1 on 10S violet, No. 339	.25	.10
	Poland 1918, 5 & 10f, Nos. 11-12	.08	.05
*	1918, 10, 20, 45h, Nos. 27-29	.90	.35
	Same used	.90	.30
*	1918, Nos. 31, 32, 35,36,37,38,40	1.85	.50
*	1919, 2h-1kr without 6h, Nos. 61-3 & 65-71	.36	.12
	Same set used	.36	.12
	1919, 3f-50f, Nos. 93-99	.15	.05
*	1919, 3f-5m, Nos. 93-104	.88	.40
*	1919, 3h-1kr, Nos. 105-12	.25	.08
*	1919, 3h-50h, 1.50, 2kr, Nos. 117-23-25-26	.58	.20
*	1919, 10f-1m, Nos. 129-35	.35	.12
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*	Charity, 1919, 5f-50f,Nos.313-18	.20	.07
*	Charity, 1919, 5f-50f, Nos.301-6	.31	.10
	Post. Due, 1919, 2f-50f, Nos. 413-31	.71	.20
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	1891, 20c lilac, No. 104	.20	.08
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	1890, 2c violet, No. 82	.15	.06
*	1898, 10c vermilion, No. 147	.15	.06
*	1898, 15c olive, No. 148	.15	.06
*	Post. Due, 1c claret, No. 301	.50	.22
*	Post. Due, 2c claret, No. 302	.75	.30
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*	Rifle Club, green & carmine, No. 411	.20	.08
*	Rifle Club, brown & green, No. 412	.20	.07
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	1910, Nos. 156-8, 160-62	.22	.07
	1910, Republic. Nos. 170-2 & 174-6	.23	.08
	1910, Republic, 5 varieties	.19	.06
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—V. Domanski, Jr., sends us a clipping from the Philadelphia *Public Ledger* consisting of a column department devoted to stamp collecting. It appears once a week.

—A classy little house organ is being published by C. A. Pitkin & Co. It is called "The Little Stamp Salesman." No. 7 will no doubt be sent anyone upon application.

—J. Saulnier, Fordham, N. Y. City, has a lot of philatelic magazines (French and German) which he will give any society that will pay carriage charges.

—We are in receipt of an elaborate price-list from G. F. Rapkin, 151 Goswell Road, London, England. It is hand-somely printed in brown, blue and purple and contains quotations upon all kinds of accessories required by dealer or collector. Mr. Rapkin does a large wholesale business and dealers will find this price-list most valuable.

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—E. Brandborg submits one of the overprinted U. S. post cards postmarked Tulsa, Okla., and the overprint "1 CENT" stands out in bold relief inverted in the lower left corner. We may add that this variety has been found in frequent instances.

—In the New York *Herald* recently appeared an advertisement of the overprinted English stamps used by the Irish Provisional Government. Applications from stamp collectors for the overprinted stamps are requested from the General Post Office at Dublin. A copy of the adv. is at hand from D. D. Berolzheimer.

—The advertisement of Bill Lorence in the issue of March 11 offered a set of Transvaal for $1.00 with a catalog value of $6.46. In the WEEKLY the numbers read 253-261 when it should have been 153-61. Mr. Lorence states that he has received numerous orders upon which he has been compelled to make refund.

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THE IRISH FREE STATE.

By FRED J. MELVILLE.

The latest new page to be opened up in our stamp albums is for a land near at hand, and near at heart, but the stamps come inscribed in a language and in characters that are Greek to most of us. The first stamps of the Irish Free State were issued in Dublin on February 17th. They are of a provisional nature only, and consist of the fifteen denominations of current British stamps with the profile of H. M. the King, to which an overprint in Gaelic characters has been applied in black. The overprint is transcribed RIALTAS SEALADACH NA HEIREANN, which is interpreted "Irish Provisional Government." The Gaelic inscription, with the date 1922, forms an overprint of five lines on the twelve values from ½d to 1s, and four lines on the high values, 2s 6d, 5s and 10s.

The Philatelic Department, Dublin.—The authorities of the Irish Post Office have proved themselves alive to the possibilities of making some easy money out of stamp collectors, for they have taken steps to make the issue widely known and easily accessible. They have created a novel precedent in advertising the new issue of stamps in the public press, not only of Ireland, but of other countries. Almost equally novel is the creation of a "Philatelic Department" at the G. P. O., Dublin, specially to cater for the requirements of stamp dealers and collectors. By these signs we may know that the Irish Free State, unlike our own G. P. O., has no scruples about taking the stamp collectors' shekels, and it would not be very surprising if in the near future there should be as many varieties of Irish stamps as there are already of, say, Jugo-Slavia.

The Settings of the Overprint.—With advertisement and organisation it will not be the fault of the Irish if their stamps become scarce. It would not pay the Post Office to advertise a commodity of which they had not prepared a sufficient supply. But in spite of the obvious intention to secure a large sale, it is more than likely that varieties will be found which may prove scarce. Within a few hours of the issue of the stamps in Dublin, a well-known philatelist, Mr. H. H. Harland, was giving a detailed study of the Gaelic overprints to a largely attended meeting of the Junior Philatelic Society on February 18th. He showed that there were at least three different settings of the overprint, and of one of these settings he had detected a sub-variety.

Varieties of the Overprint.—The five-line overprint on the ½d, 4d, 9d and 10d values has the date 1922 in antique figures, and there is no full stop after the date; the printing is clear and the type throughout unbroken. The sub-variety of this setting is distinguishable by numerous broken type varieties, and this was evidently used for the 1d, 2½d, 3d and 5d values.

The second setting is easily distinguished from the first as the figures 1922 are in block type and are followed by a period. There are some instances of broken type in this setting, consistent on all the sheets examined, especially on stamps numbers 31, 51, 132 and 203 (in the sheets of 240 stamps). This second setting occurs on the values 1½d, 2d, 6d and 1s.

The third setting is altogether different, as it was required for the transverse oblong-shaped stamps of the denominations 2s 6d, 5s and 10s. Here the "1922" is in antique type, without a full stop.

Irish Possibility.—The significance of the discovery of several settings of the overprint will be readily discerned by the philatelist. Settings I and II may be used consistently for the stamps which have already come under observation, viz.:—

Setting Ia.—½d, 4d, 9d, 10d.
Setting Ib.—1d, 2½d, 3d, 5d.
Setting II.—1½d, 2d, 6d, 1s.

but it is quite possible that at some stage in the printing the settings and stamps would be interchanged. Also if further printings are made it is not unlikely that the type used for overprinting, say the first lot of 1½d stamps would be used for overprinting the next lot of 1d ones. Such a prominent difference in type would constitute a distinct variety for the stamp collector.

There are other circumstances that may lead to the creation or discovery of varieties which may prove scarce. It would be a little strange, having regard to the philatelic proclivities of the Sinn Feiners, if they did not produce a few errors, such as double or inverted overprints, mistakes of the "made on purpose" kind to add—at the outset—a spice to the collecting of the stamp issues of Erin.

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Information available to the average collector regarding the history and uses of this stamp has been meagre, too often vague or indefinite, and to some extent inaccurate. Even as earnest a student of stamps as the late Earl of Crawford, whose matchless collection of United States essays and proofs was sold in this country a few years ago, made a memorandum on one of his album pages to the effect that the 7 cent stamp "could not have been in use many weeks, and dated copies on entire must be very rare", —an assumption probably based on misleading data regarding the discontinuance of the seven cent rate.

At the time when the 1870 issue was projected, the issuing of a 7 cent stamp was not contemplated. The need for it did not exist. There was a formidable array of reasons for superseding the 1869 series with a new set of stamps, as shown by the Postmaster General's report of November 15th, 1870, which stated that the 1869 issue "failed to give satisfaction on account of their small size, their unshapely form, the inappropriateness of their designs, the difficulty of cancelling them effectually, the inferior quality of the gum used in their manufacture." But no mention was made of any demand for different denominations. The 1, 2, 3, 6, 10, 12, 15, 24, 30 and 90 cent values evidently covered all postal requirements.

The ten values of the 1870 portrait set were accordingly designed, engraved and printed by the National Bank Note Company, and placed on sale throughout the country on April 15th, 1870. Only a few days prior to this date a new treaty was signed with the North German Confederation whereby the rate on letters sent direct was reduced from 10 cents to 7 cents, and as the mail to the German States was steadily increasing in volume instructions were immediately issued for the preparation of a suitable design for a 7 cent stamp, and the work on it was pushed rapidly to completion.

The official description of the new stamp was, "A large rectangular tablet ornamented at the four corners with heavy balls, resting upon a background, the edges of which alone appear. On this tablet is an oval medallion containing the profile bust of Stanton, surmounted by a curved panel bearing the words U. S. POSTAGE, while below the medallion is a similar panel bearing the words SEVEN CENTS in white capitals, separated by a white Arabic figure 7."

The reason for selecting the portrait of Stanton to adorn the new stamp is not difficult to find. Stanton, little known to our generation, was a prominent figure during the dark days of the Civil War and the reconstruction period following it. Born in Steubenville, Ohio, in 1814, Edwin M. Stanton soon gained distinc-

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Then came the election of Abraham Lincoln as President, and the outbreak of the sanguinary conflict between the North and South. Lincoln had that faculty, so characteristic of great leaders, of recognizing and utilizing unusual ability wherever he found it. Lincoln was broad-minded enough to invite Stanton into his cabinet as Secretary of War, in spite of the fact that Stanton was a Democrat, and not only opposed him in party allegiance but also in many important matters pertaining to the government's policy.

Stanton's hair and beard were fiery red. Whether or not this constituted a good and sufficient reason for printing the 7 cent stamp in vermilion, his temper was as fiery as his hirsute adornment, and he did not hesitate to speak his mind. A president less patient than Abraham Lincoln, or one with the interests of his country less closely at heart, would probably have ejected the irascible Secretary of War from the cabinet before many days had passed. But Lincoln, large enough to put all personal feeling aside, and knowing the value of Stanton's great ability in the crisis through which our country was then passing, endured every affront,

The story is told that on one occasion Lincoln sent a verbal message to Stanton, and on his return with the answer the messenger seemed a bit dazed and reticent about details.

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With Lincoln's portrait appearing on the 6-cent stamp of the 1870 issue, and Stanton with his splendid record in our service so lately dead, it is not strange that "the profile bust of Stanton" was selected for the new value of the series. The accompanying portrait of Stanton is a reproduction of a steel engraving, from a photograph by Brady, and doubtless is much more true to life than the bust on the 7 cent stamp. A similar portrait of Stanton, perhaps from the same photograph, appeared on the $1 Treasury note issued by the government in 1899.

The *American Journal of Philately*, July 20, 1870, said: "The 7 cent stamp that we described has been printed in a variety of colors and has a very beautiful appearance. It was intended to have been issued last week, but the war in Europe and consequent stopping of the Bremen steamer has made it useless for the present. It is very doubtful if it is issued until peace has been established in Europe."

The writer of the foregoing paragraph doubtless referred to die proofs of the new stamps, which were indeed printed "in a variety of colors", for the records of the contractors show that none of the actual stamps were printed until March, 1871. The philatelic paragrapher was correct, however, in his statement of the reasons for deferring the issuing of the new stamp, for in the Postmaster General's report of November 15th, 1870, he says: "Upon conclusion of the postal treaty with the North German Confederation, fixing the single rate by direct steamers at seven cents, to take effect the first of July last, the stamp of that denomination was adopted and the profile bust of the late Edwin M. Stan-

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PANAMA AND ITS POSTAGE STAMPS.

By Frederick E. Heydon.

Chapter XXXIV.

"Encomienda" Stamps.

These stamps are not postage stamps but represent a tax on shipments by parcel post. They are, however, an integral post. They are, however, an integral part of the Panama postal service, and as such, no description of the postal issues of this country could be considered complete in which they were not referred to. I have revenue stamps on parts of documents long anterior to the separation of Panama from Colombia, that seem to have been used for the purpose, but so far as I know, there has only been one regular issue of these stamps which has been in use for a number of years. The date of issue I have been unable to ascertain, having been unable to secure a copy of the decree that authorized the issue or other reliable information. These stamps are anything but attractive as works of art as they consist of a typographed inscription on a very poorly lithographed groundwork of which the national arms is the most prominent feature. The complete stamp forms a square divided into two triangles. One of these triangular stamps goes with the declaration of value and the other with the "encomienda"—that is, one of the half stamps is supposed to remain permanently in the postal records. It is not easy to obtain both halves to complete the stamp and unused copies are unattainable. In the normal position the "1 Parte" "declaracion" covers the upper part of the shield with national arms, but more rarely the groundwork is inverted and the "2 Parte" "encomienda" is above. They come in sheets of four of the double stamps, and the arrangement is very peculiar, the usual setting being as follows:

Shield up.	Shield sideways
Shield sideways.	Shield up.

I have attempted reconstruction of sheets of the regular setting, and also another that seems to have been used but owing to scarcity of material, I have been unable to complete it on most of the values. I might mention as a curiosity that on the documents several stamps are usually employed and they frequently overlap.

A check list of all the values would include 1c gray, 2c blue, 4c bistre, 5c red brown, 10c lilac, 20c lilac gray, 25c light green, 50c red, 1b yellow, 2b brown, 5b orange and 10b ultramarine. In practically all of these values distinct shades may be found. Varieties of inverted numeral, double surcharge, colored part omitted, double perforation, "Encomienda" above, and "Declaracion" above make quite a formidable list and an interesting study for the specialist. All are found on thick paper. The 10b is not a true ultramarine, but more like Cobalt blue. Concerning the shades to which I have referred, I was at first inclined to attribute the pale shades to the colors fading when stamps were washed, but I have seen these same shades where they were parts of documents so that the variations seem to have been due to ink or to the printing.

Space should be left in one's album for a few examples of this stamp on parts of original documents, as they will add greatly to the interest and instructive value of the collection. Any errors discovered should be carefully treasured, as these stamps have not been preserved by the public and the chance to replace them would be small indeed.

Chapter XXXV.

Telegraph Stamps.

At the present time the telegraph service in Panama is part of the post office department under law No. 53 and decree No. 117 of 1917, the charges being paid by adhesive stamps affixed to the telegram. They should be collected by everyone interested in Panama postal issues. Cablegrams both in and outgoing are treated as telegrams over the national lines. Under the tariff now in force the rates are very moderate, being as follows:—

Ordinary messages, 10 centesimos for the first ten words, including direction and signature, and 5 centesimos for each additional ten words or fraction thereof.

Code messages or those in foreign languages, 20 centesimos for the first ten words and 5 centesimos for each additional ten words or fraction thereof.

This does not apply however to telegrams from Panama to Colon or vice versa, on which the charges, irrespective of the language or code employed, are 25 centesimos for the first ten words and 2 centesimos for each additional word.

Repeated telegrams double the regular rate in each case.

Urgent messages with acknowledgment of receipt, additional charge of 10 centesimos.

Press messages are taken at a discount of 50% from tariff rates.

The telephone service is also under the jurisdiction of the post office department, but as the charges are not payable in stamps, I only mention this as a matter of information. There is a provision in the decree safeguarding the secrecy of telegraphic and telephonic communications by a fine of 500 balboas or imprisonment for one year or both for its violation.

Before listing the issues of the Republic I would mention a telegraph stamp issued while Panama was a department of Colombia, the date of issue of which I am unable to state. It is 19 x 24 mm. Arms of Colombia in oval inscribed "Departments de Panama"—"Republica de Colombia" at top and "Telegrafos" to right at bottom in curved labels, "20 centavos" in circle in lower left corner. Perf. 12.

1001. 20c blue, pink paper.

I leave blank numbers here as other stamps of this character may exist.

We will now consider the 1917 issue which was necessitated by the tariff above quoted. Pending the receipt of especially engraved stamps current issues postal and fiscal were surcharged "Telegrafos" in plain block letters, the lack of any 20 centesimos stamp being met by additional surcharge of "20 cts." on the current 25c postage stamp. For the 5 centesimos the ½ centesimos rose was surcharged "5 cts."

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AUSTRIA	New set, Newspaper, 45, 75, 150, 180, 225h, 3, 6 kronen*..	.05
AUSTRIA	New Express, 50 on 2h, 50h*	.03
GERMANY	1920, 1¼, 4 marks,Nos.130,132*	.10
GERMANY	'21,New set,10,30,40,50,60pf,2M*.	.04
GERMANY	1921, New set, 5M, 10M* ...	.10
	1921, New set, 20 Marks blue*	.13
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ARABIA	2pi orange, No. 42*, rare	2.40
	1pi, No. 38	.70
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1011a. 5c dark rose, surch. black dbl. surch.
1011b. 5c dark rose, surch. black, dbl. surch., one shifted.
1011c. 5c dark rose, surch. black, dpl. surch., one inverted.
1012. 10c dark violet, surch. black (208).
1013. 20c brown, surch. red (209).
1013a. 20c brown, surch. red, dbl. surch.
1013b. 20c brown, surch. red, shifted surch.
1014. 25c brown, surch. black (209).
1015. 50c black, surch. red (210).
1016. 10c reddish purple, surch. black (218).
1016a. 10c red. purple, surch. black, dbl. surch.

Surcharged on revenue stamps to meet the demand for higher values we have for the 1918 issue:—

1017. 1b orange, surch. black (Ley 24 de 1915). The stamps were originally for perfumery, etc. 25x28mm.
1018. 2b blue, surch. red on 5b (Timbre Nacional). 39x30mm.
1019. 5b blue, surch. red on 5b (Timbre Nacional). 39x30mm.

The 5b "Timbre Nacional" was a documentary stamp of the 1917-1918 issue.

The provisional issue was superseded as stated in Decree No. 7 of 1919 by a special series of rectangular stamps 19 x 25mm. in size, the central design being an allegorical representation of electricity as a female holding an electric light over her head and with lightning playing around her feet. This is one of the most beautiful series of stamps in existence and an unused set would be a credit to any collection. It includes a ½c. stamp for which there seems to be no corresponding rate in the three decrees, of which I have copies at hand.

1020. ½c orange-yellow.
1021. 1c bright green.
1022. 5c bright blue.
1023. 10c intense violet.
1024. 20c red-brown.
1025. 25c carmine-rose.
1026. 50c brown.
1027. 1b dark grayish blue.
1028. 5b dark olive green.

The 20c is not mentioned in the decree quoted and I note the absence of the 2c and 2b stamps without venturing an explanation.

CHAPTER XXXVI.

Conclusion.

In concluding this sketch of the postage stamps of Panama it seems desirable to call attention to one phase of the subject of interest to all collectors, and that is how far these issues have been of a speculative character. The reader will have noted that this has been referred to incidentally, but I must say that while I have gone to considerable trouble to verify such charges, they have all practically failed to materialize, and the evidence has in the end confirmed the legitimate character of the issues except in about half a dozen cases. Very few countries can show a better record. I have been for the last two or three years specializing in the extremely interesting and frequently beautiful revenue stamps and stamped paper of Panama. The demand from collectors is now negligible as few know of their existence. We find here the same classes of errors that puzzle the specialist in the postal emissions and I am forced to the conclusion that they are unintentional and due almost entirely to a desire to utilize remainders and waste nothing, together with badly equipped printing outfits and careless workmen.

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I would advise all interested in these stamps to secure any scarce items offered to them at reasonable prices. There is always a fair chance of picking up some great rarity at a nominal price, and this element gives zest to collecting, although the commercial phase ought not to be unduly dwelt upon. One ought to collect from love of the pursuit and not from expectations of gain which may or may not materialize. From the many pleasant hours that I have passed in the study of these issues, I recommend them to others, hoping that they will receive equal or greater pleasure.

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In the meantime, dealers who imported these stamps from Shanghai and paid their actual face value are not only left holding the bag, but are "in wrong" with customers who have bought from them, the commonly advertised price having been $6.50 per set, a fair enough price when you consider how many unsalable stamps are received due to the extremely bad centering.

I wish you would verify my statements, and if I am correct, the matter should certainly be explained in your columns in all fairness to dealers who bought these sets before the Agency was established.

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Quite frequently letters reach the office in which we are sharply reprimanded for our carelessness. At other times very courteous letters are received. It remains for Charles R. Morse of Knoxville, Tenn., to reach the high water mark. His subscription expires with No. 1825 and the present number of the WEEKLY is only 1631. Notwithstanding the fact that Mr Morse has nearly four years coming to him (and he was perfectly aware of the fact when he wrote us) his letter was accompanied by a check for $5 for five additional years.

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Tide—So much has been said about the desirability of stamps as objects for investment of money that it becomes apparent that a number of collectors are giving serious thought to the money-making possibilities of stamps. We could pass by this consideration without comment if it were not that a few of our readers have written us asking for a frank exposition of our ideas on the subject. Broadly, the question resolves itself into the advisability of taking money that ordinarily would be applied to investments in their standard sense and applying it to the purchase of good stamps in the hope that they could be realized on at a figure representing a profit better than the usual rates of return, where the question of safety of investment is almost negligible. We have no liking for plain speaking on the subject because of our somewhat mixed feelings on it, but when one of our readers says that from our remarks followed through a good many years, he cannot say whether or not we approve of such a course, we feel it incumbent upon ourselves to say a few words.

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Told—On the basis of having had many years' experience in practical philately, rather than as one who has any exclusive or advanced information on the subject, we shall say something. We cannot say that saving funds should be invested in stamps to ultimate advantage nor could we say that they should not be. This is straddling the question without reserve, but our statement is based wholly upon the question of marketability of stamps. Too much consideration cannot be given the question of ability to sell the stamps properly; and it is upon this angle that so many plans are wrecked., If valuable stamps are not sold carefully, the results are lamentable. There is always a market for good stamps, but too many collectors do not know how to find it. It is more important to dispose of the stamps successfully than the average collector realizes and what we are concerned about is to enlarge the market opportunities of the seller who is a collector and investor rather than dealer. When the stamp collection in the estate is sold by persons who know of market conditions, the returns are fair, while, on the contrary, valuable properties have been absolutely thrown away by those ignorant of stamp values and the avenues of sale. So, too, many phases of stamp investment must be considered to allow of an off-hand yes or no.

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Test—A cancellation expert sends us an interesting examination into the subject of fraudulent markings on early United States stamps and his findings are something of a revelation of the intensity with which cancellations are studied by those who are deeply interested in them. He says: "That you are justified in calling attention to the presence of frauds, is evident as it has been known that there have been attempted impositions on a scale of some magnitude. While it is accepted that it is not impossible to copy the real thing in cancellations successfully, yet we know that it is a most difficult matter to befool the collector who has studied his cancellations. There are many little things that enter into the genuine cancellation that are missed by the faker, and there are indications that may usually be relied upon to expose the forged marks. I believe that a few frauds were attempted but with indifferent success, and I think that a crook would have poor pickings with his made-to-order cancellations. It would be of no real service to tell of the missing links of the bad cancellation, as they are of an intangible nature and are detected only after some experience. Your summary fits the case: The expert will not be deceived by these spurious additions and the inexperienced are not inclined to pay fancy prices for the cancellations."

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Time—An inquiry has been received asking when the first dealer began business in this country. It has been some time since we have received this question, which we believe has been answered at length in old numbers of the WEEKLY. In 1862 there were a number of dealers in England, among whom were Stafford Smith & Smith, Bath, and E. L. Pemberton, Birmingham. In America, dealers established themselves on a modest scale at about the same time, and in New York the sale of foreign stamps was first attempted publicly in 1862 by that pioneer, one Bailey, who retained his open-air stand on the corner of "Chambers street and the Park" for a period of eight or nine years. Of dealers in this country who subsequently achieved importance in their pursuit, the names of J. W. Scott and Wm. Brown of New York, Trifet of Boston, and Durbin of Philadelphia are to be mentioned.

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Tush—In one the best sellers "Ursula Trent," its brilliant English writer, selects as his puppets a rather unsavory mess of all too-sophisticated folks whose ideas and conduct are over-ripe, to put it mildly. Yet it is shown that even "Rose" has not lost touch with the regular humanizing influences of orderly life because it is said that she collected stamps. Surely Rose could find in her stamps a foil to the sordid conditions that seemed to pen her in, and it is certain that her imagination gave her a pleasant hour or two when she attended to her stamps. Add to list of human virtues: stamp collecting.

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CHAPTER X.

The Arms Issue.

Both the Royal and Ministerial decrees published in 1865 announced the issue of 1, 2 and 5 centimes stamps at the same time that the five denominations of the preceding issue were mentioned. But these values did not form a part of the series for which plates were made by De La Rue and Company, though they were, of course, complementary values to that series.

The first of the three to appear was the 1 centime, and according to a ministerial decree dated May 9th, 1866, this was issued on June 1st of that year. This stamp was chronicled in the *Stamp Collector's Magazine* for July, 1866, in the following manner:—

"It reminds us of the old story of the maiden wandering in the wood in search of a straight stick, and obliged to choose a crooked one after all. A very elegantly designed essay was submitted to the authorities during the competition, but the annexed type, though far inferior, obtained the preference. The well-known Belgian chronicler (M. J. B. Moens) does not seem satisfied with it and points out several defects. A great one, in our idea, it shares with the anteceding quintette of its country, namely, the absence of patrial . designation. The really tasteful design is more than partially obscured by the patterned background, without which the crown, oak-garland, armorial shield, etc., would have been so much more effective. An old culinary adage might be applied to it, as we find one artist furnished the design, and another executed it; the galvanastic plate came from Antwerp; Messrs. De La Rue supplied paper, ink, gum, etc.; and the Brussels authorities undertook its issue. It was to have formed one of a trio, its brethren 2c and 5c in value; but their appearance is postponed, and it stands at present the sole postal representative of the Belgian arms. It is printed in what may be termed an apology for color on white. It would be more easy to say of what hue it is not, than of what it is. A dull slate-grey is the nearest definition we can give."

The 5c was the subject of another decree which fixed its issue to commence on September 1st, 1866, while the 2c was not placed in circulation until March 1st, 1867. It was specifically announced that these three stamps were only to be used in prepayment of the postal rates on newspapers, printed matter, business papers, and samples of merchandise entitled to pass at the reduced rates of postage. Furthermore, postmasters were informed that when these stamps were used on letters they were not to be cancelled. When the stamps were properly used on matter they were intended to prepay they were cancelled with a special circular cancellation quite distinct from that used in obliterating the stamps used on letters.

While the designs are all somewhat similar at first glance they are really all different as regards many essential details, and each has a distinctive background. In the centre is a lion on a ground of solid color within an oval medallion, formed of five thin lines with an outer thick one, surmounted by a Royal crown. On each side are garlands of oak leaves and where they meet below the medallion they are covered by scroll ornaments which extend into the bottom part of the solid color on which the lion rests. At the top is "POSTES" on a tablet with ribbon ends and at the bottom is "CENTIME" or "CENTIMES" within an oval, while large numerals of value are shown in the lower angles. The background of the 1c consists of crossed lines forming small diamonds within each of which is a short vertical stroke extending from the bottom. The background of the 2c consists of horizontal lines, while on the 5c it also consists of horizontal lines, placed very close together and crossed by uncolored diagonal lines so that the effect is that of a background of small shaded diamonds. The oak-leaves on the 2c and 5c are somewhat alike but those on the 1c are quite dissimilar and are fewer in number. Other small differences will be found in the details of the crown, the shape of the letters of "POSTES", etc.

The designs were drawn by M. Depierre, one of the engravers attached to the stamp Bureau at Malines while the dies were engraved at Antwerp by M. Dargent. The plates were also made in that city by the electrotype process but the work of printing was done at Brussels at first and then, after January 1st, 1868, at Malines.

Like the preceding issue, of which they are really complementary values and with which they were in concurrent use, the plates consist of 300 impressions and all three values exist on the two kinds of paper and with the two distinct perforations described in our last chapter. The earlier supplies were printed on the paper supplied by De La Rue and all of these were perforated by Gouweloos Frères and have a gauge of 14½ x 14. Later printings were made on the thicker paper of local manufacture and were perforated by the Government machine giving a measurement of 15.

In our last chapter we related the experiences of the Government in obtaining a perforating machine and how Gouweloos took umbrage at what they considered scurvy treatment and refused to perforate more than the contract number of 500 sheets of stamps a day. The insistence on the part of this firm not to exceed this number of sheets caused the postal authorities to issue the 1 centime in imperforate condition. A few months after this value had first appeared the daily consumption of stamps ran up to about 1,000 sheets and as Gouweloos would only perforate half this number it was obvious that some had to be issued without perforation. The administration, therefore, decided to abandon the perforation of the 1 centime which brought less and was more extensively employed than any of the other denominations. For four months, from late in August until December, 1866, the 1c was issued imperforate, the total so distributed, according to Mr. Bouvez,

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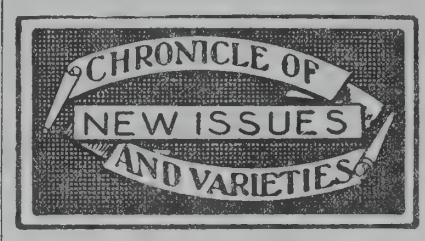

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UNITED STATES.—Since the establishment, a few months back, of the Philatelic Stamp Agency at Washington, the daily press has devoted quite a fair amount of space to their doings. It seems however that their interpretation of the first notice sent out by the Agency has not been correct for from the clippings that I have seen one is lead to believe that all of the old and rare issues of the stamps of our country may be had at face value. Such is not the case and any stamp collector reading the notice from Washington would realize that there would be on sale only current emissions in addition to any of the older issues that might be in the hands of the Post Office Department for sale to the public. In other words if the postmaster at Chicago or any other place happened to have on hand some of the stamps of the previous issue, these would be called in and sold to interested collectors at their face value. The Department however would not and never intended to reprint the earlier issues for the collector. Here of late a rumor has been current to the effect that this Agency contemplated distributing the famous 5c error from sheet No. 7942 in complete sheets, charging double face value for each stamp. As a result numerous letters have reached Washington regarding them. The Department has especially asked that we deny this rumor which is now prevalent and entirely unfounded. These stamps were recalled several years ago and there is no available supply in the hands of the Post Office Department. They will not offer for sale errors of this kind, as it would undoubtedly subject the Department to criticism to knowingly issue stamps of error.
From a valued Washington correspondent we learn that Mr. H. A. Mount has been appointed Philatelic Stamp Agent. The Department should be congratulated on this move for there is probably no one at the present time in the employ of the Washington postal service better able to fill the position. Mr. Mount has been in the Cashier's Office of the Washington Post Office for many years and it fell to his lot in the olden days when they had the well known "stamp window" for collectors, to pick out well centered stamps for the cranky. While he is not a collector he has handled stamps for so long that he has become well posted on the subject and knows what you are talking about when you refer to centering, perforations, arrows and the like.
I learn officially from Washington that the stamps surcharged for use in Shanghai, China and recently offered for sale by the stamp agency are from a later printing made to replenish the stock of the Shanghai Agency and that there is undoubtedly a difference in shade as well as plate numbers between the early lot and the present. I am told that this is especially true in the case of the 12c which color was changed several monhts ago due to the fact that the 12c stamp was dangerously near the color of the 2c variety.
This last sentence is news for we were not aware that a change in the color of the 12c had been authorized. Such being the case the 12c stamp described in the chronicle of last week should be listed as a new variety and not as a shade of the former stamp. We therefore chronicle

1921, Unwatermarked, Perforated 11.
12c mahogany or claret brown.

In the published lists of provisional envelopes a certain Philadelphia variety on extra quality paper has always been mentioned but we never knew why for we never could locate the copy from which it was supposedly listed. We are now glad to state that Mr. George P. Smith has found some of the variety in question.

1920-21, 2c on 3c Provisional Envelopes.
Philadelphia Overprint.
Die H on white, Size 13, Wmk. 19, H. B.

AUSTRIA.—Mr. Arthur M. McFadden advises of the following values in the recently issued set of this country: 7½k purple, 50 kr red and 100 k olive green.

AZERBAIDJAN.—Three new and extremely crude productions are reproduced in *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* from a German paper. The first, 400r blue, imperf., has inscriptions in Turkish (at top) and Russian (at foot), signifying "Socialist Republic of the Soviets of Azerbaidjan", with what is apparently intended to be a drawing of a mosque or other building as the central design, in the upper left-hand portion of which is a five-pointed Star and Crescent and the Russian words "UOyT MAPKA."
The other two are charity labels, being issued ostensibly (as per inscriptions in Russian characters) for the benefit of victims of the famine in the Volga region, the values being 500r blue and 1,000r brown, both imperf. These two bear the initials ("A. C. C. P.") of the inscription quoted above, as well as the year "1921".—*Stamp Collecting.*

BASUTOLAND.—Mr. J. H. Smyth has informed Messrs. Stanley Gibbons, Ltd., that there is to be a special issue for this territory in a few months' time. Hitherto, of course, the stamps of the Union of South Africa have been used without overprint, except the fiscals, which have the overprint BASUTOLAND.—*Stamp Collecting.*

BELGIUM.—Mr. Henry Hooreman sends us copies of the 10c green and 20c brown postage due set of the current type.

CHINA.—We learn that, on account of the discovery of forgeries, the 7, 10 and 15 cent values of the current regular series have been withdrawn.
Turkestan.—Messrs. Bright & Son show us the 1½c violet and 13c brown (both of which were issued in 1919 in the "junk" and "reaper" types respectively) overprinted with the custom single vertical line of Chinese characters signifying that they are intended for use in this Province of the Oriental Republic.—*Stamp Collecting.*

DUTCH INDIES.—Owing to alterations in the rates of postage, it has been found necessary to issue provisional stamps of new values, of which the following have appeared, all being overprinted on the current issues:—12½c on 17½c, 12½c on 22½c, 20c on 22½c, 32½c on 50c, 60c on 50c, 60c on 1 gulden, 80c on 1 gulden. —*Whitfield King & Co.'s Bulletin.*

MALTA.—10sh script wmk., surcharged in red Self Government, issued **March. Setting of 30 stamps, 5** rows of 6. The printing is rather heavier than the previous surcharge, some of the "0's" being quite filled with color. I understand a large number of these denominations are used for fiscal purposes, and collectors should be warned against taking any of the 10sh Malta stamps without gum.—R. ROBERTS.
Mr. Louis Carabott sends us the following:—Government Notice relating to the rates of postage to be paid on postal packets and the conditions under which postal packets are exchanged with places and countries abroad has been issued. The principal alterations in the rates of postage from today, March 1st, are as follows:—The first rate for letters to foreign countries is raised from 2½d to 3d. The rate for post cards to all places beyond Malta is raised from 1d to 1½d. The fee for registration to all places beyond Malta is raised from 2d to 3d. To the United States of America the first rate for letters is reduced from 2½d to 2d. To the United Kingdom, British Dominions, Protectorates and Colonies, His Majesty's Forces—the rates are unaffected. To Tangier is 2d for the first rate for letters just as to America.

NICARAGUA.—Mr. Arthur M. McFadden informs us that the 1c red fiscal stamp has been surcharged "R. de C. Vale Co .01" in red and in two lines.

RUSSIA.—Mr. Karl Koslowski has shown us the 35k blue, No. 149, surcharged with two lines of native characters and another line at the base "5 p. X 250 p." There are three different colors of overprints, red, orange and black. Mr. Koslowski also submits the 1r orange of recent issue, surcharged "5000 pyo" in black. The 40r grey oblong stamp portraying the slaying of a dragon has also been overprinted with one line of very small native letters and "10,000 p." in red.
Mr. Koslowski also sends us a block of 4 of the 15k of the 1909-12 issue

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rged in the center with three which appear to make the stamp ible value.

VADOR.—Mr. Arthur M. McFadden us a small triangular stamp in an -yellow shade. On the left side is os", on the right "El Salvador" the base "Cinco Centavos". In of the three corners is "5" and a double line circle bearing the "Republica del Centro de Ameri- Within the circle are the series of ain with the sun in the distance.

AWAK.—Mr. R. Roberts sends us of the following new denomina- the 1918 type: 5c orange, 6c dull d 30c bistre and slate, no water-

N.—An entirely new series, with t of King Alfonso in the uniform Spanish general, is now in active ation.—*Stamp Collecting.*

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Be it known to all our advertisers that hereafter the WEEKLY will decline to insert all testimonials unless they are accompanied by the name and address in full of the party proffering the testimonial. We take the position that for a testimonial to be valuable it should be possible for one to communicate with the party who offers it for publication. If a thing of this kind creeps into our columns in the future it will be because the managing editor and the printer are asleep at the switch.

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

—The Hackensack, N. J., Philatelic Society has decided to distribute packets of stamps to youthful beginners of Hackensack and vicinity. A packet of hinges is also being furnished free of charge. This is excellent publicity work and we cannot commend it too highly. The club meets in the Y. M. C. A. building every second and fourth Friday evening.

—We regret to announce the death of Walter S. Wilmot, Bridgeport, Conn. He was an old-time collector and a long-time subscriber to MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

—The Martauco Stamp Co. has taken over the office of L. W. Charlat, 537 Fifth Ave., N. Y. City. Announcement is made elsewhere in these columns. The Martauco firm is doing an exclusively wholesale business.

—The boys of Emporia, Kansas, have organized a stamp club. Willis Kerr, a local stamp collector, will be prominent in guiding the destinies of the club. "Boys up to fifty years of age" are invited to join.

—P. J. Drossos informs us that Kiutachia stamps recently chronicled in the WEEKLY are not official, but the same kind as the 1919 Rodesto and Cydonia issues, which all catalogs have now ceased to list. We are also advised that Greece has never issued any aeroplane postage stamps.

—We are of the opinion that stamp dealers having claims against parties for unlawful use of the mails will do well to file their cases with the Chief Inspector, P. O. Department, Washington, D. C. While the Department lets it be known that it cannot serve as a collecting agency it will without doubt co-operate where a definite purpose to defraud is shown to exist. If you have complaints against George Kemper, or William Perry, or other parties in West Virginia, send on your proof to Washington. Dealers are advised that in the sending out of approval selections it is wise to retain all envelopes and file them away with the communications received. The Department is very particular in asking for this class of evidence.

—Sometime this year there will be an exhibition of products of industry at Munich. To celebrate this event a special set will be issued. The German post administration (Reichpostverwaltung) has already given its assent to it. Now the Leipzig fair committee claims the same right but it is doubtful whether it will succeeed.—A. KOECHLIN.

—Rev. Viggo M. Hansen informs us that in the northernmost county of Germany, bordering on Denmark, new paper money is being issued as was frequently done during the war, on account of shortage of metal. The peculiar thing about this money is that "it is not issued to be used as legal tender, as this was long ago prohibited by law, the right to issue paper money being reserved for the state, but the object is to dispose of it by sale to collectors." Mr. Hansen feels that collectors of war money should understand the situation.

—The Board of Directors of the New York Philatelic Society would like to receive any complaints that may properly be directed against any official of the Society. They may be addressed to George G. Hiatt, 25 W. 125 St., N. Y. City.

—The Freshman Stamp Club with H. M. Mulford president, has been organized at Buffalo, N. Y. It is designed to reach the boy collectors of that city.

—As an advertiser in your paper, I should like emphatically to go on record as being in favor of a strong line of demarcation between *postally used* and *cancelled-to-order* stamps. In my business I always try to make the distinction plain, and am sure a collector is disappointed when he orders used if he gets the former—J. D. HAVENS.

—A delegation from the Washington Philatelic Society were the guests of the Philatelic Section, Maryland Academy of Sciences on Saturday evening, March 25, the occasion also being the third anniversary of The Section. The guests were met at the railway station by members of The Section with automobiles and brought to the Academy building. The first part of the evening was given to a display of stamps, which included what is probably the largest and finest collection of Cape of Good Hope triangulars in the United States; also specialized Brazil, Finland, British Colonial, United States and others. Toward the latter part of the evening, a buffet luncheon was served, then more stamps were shown and the guests escorted over the Academy building, and shown the museum section. The party from Washington included William A. Johnson, president, James F. DuHamel, one of the vice-presidents, Dr. M. G. Skinner, librarian, and Messrs. G. A. Martin, C. H. Vaughan, W. Hayden Collins, W. H. Boatwright and A. M. McFadden.

—The new Austrian set continues to appear by drops and most likely won't be complete before a new charity set of 5 values with portraits of Austrian musicians will undertake a raid on philatelists. To render the undertaking more successful the set will be sold at five times its face value.—A. KOECHLIN.

—An error occurred in the ad of M. Tausig on page 162, March 25 issue. Bosnia 200 diff. were offered for 25c. followed by 30 for 50c. It should have offered 20 diff. for 25c. Attention was called to error last week after forms were on press. Error was corrected altho impossible to acknowledge our printer's mistake.

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BELGIUM.

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being 6,795,000 stamps of which about one-third were in pale grey and the balance in a much darker shade. This writer says the imperforate stamps appeared on thin and thick paper but as they were all issued during the period the thin De La Rue paper was in use this could hardly have been the case. Gibbons lists the 2c also imperforate, but whether these were also intentionally issued in this form by the administration or are from sheets which escaped the perforation in error we have been unable to discover.

There were apparently several printings of these stamps: Mr. de Bont says four of the 1c, four of the 2c and three of the 5c, while Mr. Bouvez, who apparently overlooked the perforated 1c in compiling his statistics, says there were five printings of the 2c and no less than eight of the 5c. As regards numbers printed our authors again agree to differ and we give their respective computations below:—

		Mr. Bouvez.	Mr. de Bont
	(a) Thin paper, perf. 14½ x 14.		
1	centime,	.....	120,000,000
2	centimes,	450,000	1,140,000
5	centimes,	600,000	1,530,000
	(b) Thick paper, perf. 15.		
1	centime,	.....	60,000,000
2	centimes,	1,920,000	1,650,000
5	centimes,	2,190,000	2,460,000

There are pronounced shades of all three values, the 1 centime in particular providing a goodly array of tints. The impressions vary but slightly and the plates do not show the same signs of wear and deterioration as was the case with the contemporary 10c and 20c values, though of the 1 centime the different printings comprised the huge total of 180,000,000, that is more than twice as many as were printed of the 10c. It is curious that the Belgian printers seem to have had no difficulty in getting good impressions from the locally made plates while they were never able to make a satisfactory job from the London plates.

On March 14, 1867, a royal decree was published authorising the issue of 6 and 8 centime stamps. They were accordingly prepared but were never issued, as meanwhile a change had occurred in the ministry and the incoming ruler of the department of public works was in favor of the issue of an entirely new series. The stamps were not engraved until long after the decree had appeared, and when the types were ready, a committee was appointed to examine them. After a further delay they reported favorably on them; the printing of a supply was about to commence—proofs, indeed, had already been printed—when the change above alluded to took place, and the designs were set aside. The design chosen was very similar to that of the three issued values but with somewhat larger corner numerals and with a different border around the lion.

Reference List.

1866-7. Designed by M. Delpierre and dies engraved by M. Dargent. No Wmk.

(a) Imperforate.
1 centime grey.
(b) Perforated 14½ x 14 by Gouweloos.
1 centime grey.
2 centimes blue.
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In addition to the exceptionally large number of rare early United States stamps which will be sold at auction in the third portion of the Ferrari collection sale at Paris, beginning April 5, there are several scarce stamps from foreign countries which will arouse lively bidding among leading collectors and dealers.

What is said to be the prize in the forthcoming sale is a unique copy of the 1856 British Guiana one cent, black on magenta, postage stamp. No other copy has ever been discovered, and the late Philip von Ferrari obtained it several years ago. Ferrari was an Austrian, and his intention was to leave his stamps, the finest private collection ever gathered together, to a Berlin Museum. It was stored in Paris and was confiscated during the war by the French Government and is being sold at auction for the benefit of the French Government.

The rare British Guiana stamp was printed by Baum & Dallas of Georgetown, who published the Official Gazette. The center design of the stamp shows a full-rigged sailing ship, produced from the same block from which was printed the vessel depicted at the top of the shipping intelligence of The Gazette. Above the ship is the motto, "Damus Petimus" and underneath are the words "que Vicissim."

Another rarity is a fine pair of the 1858 issue of Roumania-Moldavia, being the twenty-seven paras, black on rose. The stamps have been used and show a clear postmark in blue. In the second Ferrari sale a pair of these stamps sold for 46,000 francs, equivalent to about $3,500 at the exchange rate at that time. There are also some of the very rare "Double Geneva" stamps and seven unused copies of the 3 lire Tuscany stamp issued by the Provisional Government in 1860. Uruguay is represented by a choice collection of 1,275 stamps, including countless varieties, errors and shades of color.

Among the rare Canadian stamps is an unused pair of the 12 pence black, issued in 1851. There are a few choice copies of the rare "Post Paid" issue of Mauritius 1848, including an early impression of the 2 pence blue with the rare error, the word pence being spelled "penoe." New South Wales is represented by 177 lots, including many fine specimens of the desirable Sydney views.

The two sales already held brought a total of 3,271,932 francs, equivalent to about $250,000 at current exchange rates. More American dealers and collectors will be represented at the April sale of the Farrari collection than at the previous two offerings, and it is expected that the best specimens of the old United States stamps will be brought to this country.—*N. Y. Sun.*

PLEASE DON'T GET MAD.

By A. E. HARDMAN.

I am not sure whether the enclosed letter may be of use to you in your semi-comic column but when I received it I had a good laugh regardless of my loss.

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LATVIA.

By KARL KOSLOWSKI.

Beginning May 1, 1922, all the stamps now in use, except the arms type, will be demonetized and therefore taken out of circulation. On and after May 1, only the arms type will be used. This series has been augmented with several new values and comprises the following denominations:—50k purple, 1r yellow, 2r dark green, 3r emerald green, 5r carmine, 9r orange, 10r blue, 15r ultramarine. New high values of 30, 50, 100r are in preparation, but the design will be larger and changed in certain particulars.

It is probable that in the near future the wording of the values will be altered from Kapeikas and rubli to santimi and franks. This will be a result of a complete change in the monetary system which is undergoing perfection. The postal administration proposes to stamp out the manipulating scourage now so prominent, especially in Libau.

MICHIGAN STAMP CLUB.

By KARL KOSLOWSKI.

The Michigan Stamp Club held its 8th annual banquet at the Cadillac, Detroit, March 18. Forty collectors were present, and as on all occasions of this sort every participant went home very well satisfied. After the dinner President Hoskins read several telegrams of congratulations. Z. Dworkowski gave a very entertaining talk on Poland and its stamps, backing up his address with two rather large volumes of stamps. R. Langton entertained the audience with a short recitation "Stamps and the Mustard Plaster." C.H. Holden expressed his pleasure in poetry, while K. Koslowski also indulged in a poem "The Lament of Mrs. Stamp Collector."

C. F. Heyerman exhibited his magnificent prize collection of inverts, containing some 375 varieties. W. F. Fratcher showed some of his 5c, 1847, some one hundred covers in all minor varieties. J. E. Scott showed pairs, strips and blocks of U. S. A very brisk trading and selling of duplicates was indulged in between the acts.

SO-CALLED "PEACE STAMPS."

John M. Spence sends us a clipping from the New York *Journal of Commerce,* which we reprint herewith. It is very evident that these stamps are nothing more than advertising labels, and the customs authorities do not recognize them as worthy of being entered under the designation postage stamps:—

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The Victoria de Torreon issue are among the rarest of Mexican stamps, and due to their extreme scarcity are lacking in most collections. Very little is known of these stamps due to the small number of them which were issued, but from my unusual opportunities to observe and acquire this issue, as I was stationed on the Texas border at the time, I shall endeavor to throw a little light on the subject.

The capture of Torreon on April 2, 1914, by the Constitucionalistas (Carranza and Villa forces) from the Federals (Huertistas) was an event of such importance to the Constitucionalista cause as to require a fitting celebration. To accomplish this, a holiday was declared at Ciudad Juarez, the capital of the territory under the Constitucionalistas' control, and the Minister of Communicaciones Y Obras and Publicas, Senor Ignacio Bonillas, authorized the postmaster at Juarez, Senor Ponciano Cota, to make a special issue of stamps. For which purpose a few of each value of the Transitorio Issue from one centavo to fifty centavos were surcharged Victoria de Torreon, Abril 2—1914. These stamps were issued April 3, 1914, and were sold on that and the following date, although a few covers are known used at later dates.

These stamps were available for foreign as well as domestic use as covers are known which have done postal duty to Europe and the United States. All stamps remaining unsold at the post-office on April 4, 1914, were sold to or bought up by an El Paso collector. These stamps were afterwards acquired by Mr. B. W. H. Poole, the Nassau Stamp Company, and another New York dealer, the majority of these stamps being acquired by the latter gentleman. As letter writing was not much in vogue in these troublesome times, used stamps are very much more valuable than unused ones, authentic covers being very rare indeed.

There are no official figures as to the exact number of these stamps issued. The number overprinted was very small and it has been claimed that only one sheet (100 stamps) each of the one, two, four, and ten centavo values were issued; three sheets (300 stamps) of the five centavo value; and less than one-half sheet each of the twenty and fifty centavo values. However, I do not believe this estimate to be correct as from the number of these stamps that I have seen and from the statements of the gentleman who acquired the majority of the stamps remaining unsold at the post-office I believe that the following figures are exact:

1 centavo,	300	stamps
2 centavos,	300	"
4 "	300	"
5 "	1,000	"
10 "	300	"
20 "	50	"
50 "	50	"

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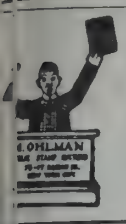

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A claim has been made that these stamps were issued and used in Torreon and not in Juarez. Covers are known from the former city, and some few stamps may have been taken there and so used, but there is no doubt that the issue was placed on sale at Juarez as authorized by Senor Ponciano Cota. The covers that I have seen which have done postal duty to Europe were all mailed from Juarez.

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British Expert Criticises Government's Printing Methods.

Criticism of the methods of printing United States stamps has been voiced by Fred J. Melville, one of England's leading postage stamp authorities, in connection with the recent discovery of the forgeries of the two-cent red issue.

These forgeries were detected quickly, and it is doubtful that any were used for letter postage.

"Most collectors," says Mr Melville, "have noticed the wide variations in the United States stamps of recent years, due to the experimenting at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing with new processes of printing. Stamps of like design and denomination have been printed from finely engraved steel plates, from rotary recess plates, from surface printing plates and by the offset method, and these have been in circulation simultaneously. The different qualities of impression make them all look different and this is a dangerous state of affairs in a country whose stamps are being used to the extent of millions every day.

"Where the genuine stamps vary so much it is difficult to detect, or even suspect, a forgery, and it is not surprising that some one has taken advantage of the recent confusion in stamp printing in the United States. There are wide avenues for the disposal of the forged stamps in the countless mail-order firms in America. This is, however, the first forgery of a current United States stamp since 1894."—*N. Y. Times.*

HINGES AND HINGEING.

By L. H. Brigham.

The old-time collector kept his stamps in position in his album by a variety of methods, very few of which would pass muster today. Stamps should be *mounted* or *hinged* and not pasted or stuck in a book, as we commonly hear this very important operation referred to. Often we do actually find stamps that are pasted or stuck down so fast that there is absolutely no removing them other than by complete immersion in water.

Mounting or hingeing a stamp is a more refined expression to use; it is strictly a philatelic term and is actually what one does, or at least should do. There are various sizes, shapes, and kinds of stamp hinges. There is only one kind, however, that should be considered by the collector, and that is the *strictly peelable hinge.* The reason for this can be clearly appreciated. One may desire to remove a certain stamp from a collection and replace it with a better copy. If a peelable hinge has been used, the stamp can be easily removed from the book, and no trace is left of this having been done. The appearance of the book is not marred by having part of the hinge left where the stamp was or a piece of the page torn up by a hinge which holds fast to it. One of these calamities is almost sure to result if anything but a peelable hinge is used.

One may also desire to remove a hinge from a stamp. If the hinge be peelable, it can be removed without any trouble, and the stamp is not injured in the least by having part of it come away with the old hinge. When this occurs, a so-called "thin" spot is left in the stamp, which makes it a damaged copy. If an inferior hinge has been used and the stamp is fortunate enough to escape injury, a portion of the old hinge will, in all probability, adhere to it. This leaves a lumpy surface on which to affix the new hinge, and when several of these hinges have been used on the same stamp, it soon develops an abnormal thickness and must be immersed in water to remove the "growth." Either of these results is certainly undesirable and can be easily avoided by the use of the peelable hinge.

Removing a hinged stamp from one's collection or an old hinge from the back of a stamp is made easier if the hinge is but slightly moistened when affixed to the stamp and book in the first place.

The correct method of affixing a hinge to a stamp is to fold over one-third of the hinge; slightly moisten this surface and affix same to the back of the stamp, *flush with top edge of it;* slightly moisten the remainder of the hinge and lightly affix to the album page.

Placing the hinge flush with the top edge of the stamp allows a ready examination of the stamp for watermarks, paper, etc., by easily turning the stamp over on its back on the edge formed by the crease in the hinge. This eliminates the necessity of removing same from the album for the purpose of examination.

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CHAPTER II.—*The National Print.*

Rates.—From the date of issue in March, 1871, until a uniform rate of five cents was established by the Treaty of Berne, in 1875, *the seven cent rate was continuously effective* to one or more European countries. This fact is emphasized because of the prevailing belief to the contrary. No less an authority than Mr. Luff, in his monumental work on United States issues, states: "At that late date (April, 1871), it could have been of but little avail for correspondence with Germany, as the letter rate to that country was reduced to six cents by the postal treaty which was signed at Washington on March 3d, and at Berlin, May 14, 1871. On December 1, 1871, a treaty was made with Denmark which established a 7 cent rate for letters to that country, and thus renewed the usefulness of the stamp."

Mr. Luff's reasoning was sound but his conclusions inaccurate, for he failed to take into consideration the change in rate on mail reaching Germany *via England*. In 1870 the via England rate to the German and Austrian States had been reduced from fifteen to ten cents, and in 1871, a further reduction was made to seven cents. Hence the reduction of the direct mail rate to six cents did not to any appreciable extent diminish the demand for the 7 cent stamp at American postoffices, for while thrifty German emigrants in this country may have cordially embraced the opportunity to save a penny on their letter postage, it is fairly certain that many export and import houses doing business with Germany and Austria appreciated the reliability of the British mail steamship service and continued to forward their correspondence via England. Also, there were sailings of British steamers in between the departures of North German Confederation liners, and even those preferring the direct route would naturally yield to the temptation to dispatch letters by the first steamer. The fairness of these suppositions is evidenced by the fact that substantial percentage of covers now in collections, used to Germany in 1871 and 1872, bear the 7 cent stamp and were sent via England.

In 1871 there was also a fourteen cent rate to Italy, via England, and a fourteen cent rate to Greece, and while the mails to these two Mediterranean countries were not heavy, many a pair of red sevens was doubtless used as the most convenient combinations in making up the rate. Then, early in 1872, the seven cent rate to Denmark, via Stettin, Germany, became effective, and the quantities of 7 cent stamps issued by the Post Office Department to supply these demands did not vary greatly from year to year, as will be shown by data presented further on.

Engraving.—The National Bank Note Company had been under contract with the Government for the production of its stamps since 1861. The design described in the preceding chapter was engraved, and proofs taken from the completed die in black, ultramarine, brown, maroon and various other trial colors. From these a scarlet vermilion was finally selected and adopted, this color being considered sufficiently distinct from the bright orange of the 15 cent stamp and a strong contrast to any of the other colors of the issued set.

Only one plate was engraved, No. 33. This plate had two hundred subjects, without arrows or guide lines. The plate number, with the imprint "National Bank Note Company, New York", appears in four positions in the margin of the plate,—at left and right at the top, at left and right at the bottom, occupying a space the width of five stamps. Plate number strips or blocks of either the proofs or the finished stamps are a desirable item; in fact, a plate number block of the finished stamp is unknown to the writer, and blocks from any part of the sheet are extremely rare.

Figure 1.

Plate Varieties.—Careful study of an entire reconstructed sheet of proofs has so far revealed only one plate variety that stands out boldly and is easily seen by the naked eye. This occurs in No. 41 of the left pane, and consists of a large and distinct dot under "NT", as shown in Figure 1. It is as obvious, as easily perceived and as collectible as the "Dot in S" variety of the 5 cent, 1847. While it may possibly be an engraver's mark, it does not line up with anything else visible on the plate, and is quite different from the many small dots that appear in various positions on both panes. This "Dot under NT" variety was not worn away by the use of the plate, and is encountered among used copies of the stamp in about the proportion that might reasonably be expected, it being remembered that it appears on only one out of two hundred subjects.

That there are several minor shifts on the National plate is undeniable, but as this monograph is prepared more for the benefit of the average collector of United States stamps than for the specialist, these microscopic varieties will be ignored. It is enough to say that not only the 7 cent but all the denominations of the 1870-3 issues are rich in opportunities for research and will yield much of interest to the patient and persistent investigator who has strong eyes and a keen appetite for pin-point and hair-breadth variations.

Printing.—An interesting printing variety is the double impression, in which the entire design seems to be shifted "northward," and which appears at first sight to be a pronounced shifted transfer. Examination shows that the blurred and doubled lines were not caused by over-inking, and that the paper must have received the impression of the plate twice, perhaps once with only partial inking and then repeated with the normal quantity of ink.

Specimens of the 7 cent National are also occasionally seen with a fairly deep crease in the paper, which was present before the sheet was printed and did not receive ink. This, when later opened, gives the appearance of an irregular white line running across the design, and is sometimes erroneously believed to be a "cracked plate" variety.

Grills.—In March, 1871, when the first few hundred thousand impressions were taken from the 7 cent plate, the grilling apparatus was still in use in the National Bank Note Company's plant. The lead beds, provided to receive the indentation of the grill points through the paper, had by continued usage become somewhat worn and uneven, so t wide variation is seen in the distinctn of the grills on the 7 cent stamp, ra ing from grills that stand out clea with deep embossing to grills that be found only by careful scrutiny.

The grills vary in size, the smal having 11 x 13 points, covering a tangle of 8½ x 10½ millimeters, and largest having 13 x 16 points, measur 10 x 12½ millimeters. None of the roller grill" effects, occasionally found other stamps of this issue, have b noted on the 7 cent, but there seems be no reason why they should not ex

The grills appear both with the po up and with the points down. As sheets were sometimes handled carel ly, "split grills" are occasionally s part of the grill appearing on one sta and part on the other. These are fo with a section of grill showing at eit side, and sometimes at top and bott No double impression of the grill been noted.

Paper.—The paper used by the tional Bank Note Company in print the 7 cent stamp varies from thin fairly thick white wove, hard snappy. Occasionally, however, a sheets of softer paper were used. T does not closely approach the softnes the paper used by the American B Note Company in 1879 and later, bu nevertheless quite distinct from National's normal paper; the sta printed on it have the mottled appeara which characterizes the 2 cent vermil 1879, due no doubt to uneven absorp of the ink by the pores of the paper

The so-called "stitch waterma shows clearly on the 7 cent National, is found not only singly, but in clo parallel rows of stitches. No double per or ribbed paper has been recorde

Perforation.—The perforating chines used in the National plant w evidently operated with a trifle n than the average degree of care skill, as the spacing between the row perforations varies only slightly,—n less than the Continental producti Stamps with abnormally large margi temptation to hand-made imperfo enthusiasts, are less common than in later printing. The perforating not done with sufficient care and s however, to materially reduce the u

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heavy percentage of off-center stamps, though in this some improvement may be noted over the 1869 issue.

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Gum.—The gum used on the 7 cent National ranges from a moderately brown shade to yellowish, the darker gum being usually found on the grilled specimens, which are scarce in O. G. condition. Regummed copies are frequently seen.

Color.—The color of the National printing is exceptionally uniform, and may be designated as a deep scarlet vermilion or red vermilion. The limited range of shades, dark to light and bright to dull, are perhaps more the result of differing degrees of efficiency in plate wiping, or the character or condition of the paper, than of changes in the ink. Occasionally a National 7 is seen that approximates the orange vermilion of the Continental print, but this shade is uncommon.

Quantity.—The National Bank Note Company printed and delivered to the Post Office Department in 1871, from March to December, inclusive, 1,486,700 7 cent stamps. In 1872, the deliveries from January to December, inclusive, were 1,066,100 stamps. In 1873, from January to the termination of the National contract in April, 394,100 stamps. A total of 2,946,900 7 cent stamps of the National print.

The reports of the Postmaster General make no distinction between the National and Continental issues, and it is therefore impossible to determine when the last of the National 7's were distributed to post offices, but the reports by quarters show that stamps of this denomination were issued as follows:—

Quarter ending.	*Issued.*
March 31, 1871	166,400
June 30, 1871	427,600
Sept. 30, 1871	449,600
Dec. 31, 1871	361,100
March 31, 1872	257,300
June 30, 1872	247,900
Sept. 30, 1872	166,300
Dec. 31, 1872	394,600
March 31, 1873	270,300
June 30, 1873	281,100

There is no known record of the quantity of these stamps that were grilled, but an estimate based on the proportionate scarcity today indicates that not much in excess of 100,000 were issued, and if reasonably correct, this would indicate that the grilling of the 7 cent was discontinued during the first month of its manufacture.

(To be continued.)

Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

HOW PINK BACK STAMPS ARE FORMED.

By S. G. RICH, Concord State Normal, Athens, West Virginia.

Mr. Berolzheimer's article on this subject, in MEKEEL'S WEEKLY of March 25, following mine on March 11, has done me a service. I promptly proceeded to investigate further, and found that both his statements and mine are true; what we each have said applies to only a part of the situation.

If the pink color is caused by the reaction of aniline oil and cellulose, it will be soluble. If, on the other hand, it is caused by an oil-soluble dye soaking into the paper from the ink, it will not dissolve out with water. I at once took several samples of the pink back 2 cents, perf. 10, and kept them in water for 48 hours. With each I kept a check specimen, not in water, and of as nearly the same shade of pink back and same shade of actual printed color on the front as I could find among my duplicates. I was surprised to find that one-half of my specimens bleached considerably in the water, and the others not at all.

It would, therefore, appear that I have covered only one case and Mr. Berolzheimer only one case, in our previous articles.

I then looked up the matter of the relation of aniline oil to the various dyestuffs used in printing-inks in the works on chemical technology available here, and found that in several of the red dyes it is easily possible for a small amount of unchanged aniline oil to be retained in the completed dyestuff. I further found reported that in the preparation of alizarine, the base from which a number of these dyestuffs are made, from coal tar, a small amount of aniline may be involved in the preparation and remain in it, unchanged.

Mr. Berolzheimer has also done me a favor by noting the error in my paper in naming methylene blue—which is water-soluble—as the possible blue pigment used in stamps.

It is probable also that my somewhat condensed remarks about the period at which the dyes forming pink-back stamps were made, has given a fair chance for misunderstanding what I had meant to say. I had meant to bring out the fact that the pink back stamps dated from a period in which the dye industry in this country, long-established, but relatively small in extent, had had to expand enormously, and hence, to meet war-time demands, was forced to put out its products without finishing the removal of all impurities, such as aniline oil, from all the dyes. If, as Mr. Berolzheimer claims, the dyestuffs were of German make, the same argument will still hold; Germany, under war conditions since 1914, was able to export only dyes not completely purified in all cases. What Mr. Berolzheimer has to say as to the trouble that dye-users have had being due to use of wrong dyes, rather than to any inferiority in the product, clinches my point still further. Nothing was less in my mind than to give the impression that our American dyes are inferior to those made in Germany. I pointed out in the very last sentence of my article that it was purely a condition due to war or to cut-throat competition that had led to the unsatisfactory dyes that did not work properly and that, used in ink for printing stamps, gave rise to pink backs.

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EDITORIAL.

Master—In "God and Woman", by Johan Bojer, published by Moffat, Yard & Company, and copyrighted 1921, there is a bit of philately undiluted. The eminent author shows that he appreciates philately and its ramifications and that his is no prentice hand. The collector is a manufacturer of farm machinery and mayor of a Wisconsin town; and the conversation that we refer to took place in a small town in Norway where he sees Hans, his natural father. Hans asked the son if he could come out to visit his parents now. The son was to leave that night with the party of other Americans on a tourist steamship that was to start for the North Cape; and the next month he was scheduled to be in Kristiania to appoint a representative in that city and a week later, "he would have to attend a stamp collector's congress in Paris". The old people who did not hear very well were puzzled by the reference to this congress and they asked: "What kind of a congress?" It is explained that the son was one of the greatest experts in philately in the United States of America and that his collection was of a value that astounded the simple folks, who, indeed, looked at each other as if they were trying to plumb the depths of the mind of a son "who ventures so far beyond anything one is used to."

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Mounts—From Mr. Forest C. Middleton, Tokyo, Japan, we have received the three new stamps of Japan, accompanied by the following interesting information: "The Japanese foreign rates have been doubled and there have been three new stamps issued, a four, eight and twenty sen, respectively. The general design is not particularly artistic. The angles on Fujiyama are not correct and the view is lacking in perspective and dignity. The side panel, showing the deer at Nara, is crowded and has no business on the stamp, anyway. The panel at the top contains the imperial crest and the inscription 'Imperial Japanese Post' and two small panels of meaningless design. On the whole the Japanese designers of postage stamps do not live up to the expectations of a foreigner who sees their exquisite prints."

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Mexico—We have received some comments from a reader in Mexico City that we shall abridge somewhat. Notwithstanding conditions that are not always favorable to the tranquil pursuit of philately, there are a number of wonderfully complete Mexican collections that represent the qualities of research at their best. Collectors there are inclined to favor their own issues much in the manner that our collectors prefer United States issues. While there is little public evidence of the existence of dealers, yet one may manage to pick up a few things that appeal to the American collector and these sometimes take the shape of covers bearing early United States stamps and interesting postal cancellations. While there is not enough of this kind of material available to justify a trip purely on commercial lines, yet the philatelic traveler may do much to make a visit worth while in this way. Our correspondent says that at the time of writing, no new issues are on the horizon but as novelties are apt to come with little preliminary announcement, the collectors there usually are in a state of expectancy in this regard.

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Matter—Several enclosures in a letter from Mr Frank Sheer, New Milford, Conn., are interesting to those who delve into the significance of old postal marks. One is an envelope without stamps that bears New York, Panama and London postmarks. That of Panama reads: "Panama—22 No. 1863—Transit." We should judge from the sequence of postmarks that the letter originated, say, in California and was sent by way of Panama but a London postmark shows that the letter went to Great Britain before it was received in New York; and then proceeded to its destination in Connecticut. On the envelope is "48 cents" overstamped "69" in large figures. The difference between 48 cents and 69 cents or 21 cents accrued to the service of the American steamer "to go through the British mail" and the impression, "U. S. Notes—101" in two lines represents double the 48 cents British postage and five cents for ship service. In this connection, our booklet, "United States Postage Rates", is of value.

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Marvel—From a New Haven newspaper of 1850, Mr. Sheer has taken the following notice, which is headed "Postage Reform." We are struck by this early reference to a uniform rate of two cents as in our reference book of clippings on early postage affairs we had no similar recommendation of this very low rate at the time. "Some intimations are given out that the present Postmaster General will recommend, in his report to the President, at the opening of the next session of Congress, a reduction in postage to a uniform rate of two cents. We hope it is founded on fact. There never was a better time for such a reduction. The country is prosperous, money is abundant, and business generally is good, and conducted on a firm basis. The increase in correspondence since the last reduction has been enormous, and it would increase to a much greater extent if there was a still further reduction. In fact, we are positive that in a few years, at a uniform rate of two cents, the Post Office Department would support itself. Contrary to Amos Kendall's predictions, the five and ten cent rates have worked like a charm and there is now a million of dollars surplus. Let us by all means have two cent postage. It will do more to preserve this Union than anything else."

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Misery—We have just seen a pair of 10,000 roubles, Russia, surcharged, that came on a letter, just doubling the postage on another letter of 10,000 roubles. We have not seen the type heretofore on which the surcharge appears. In an interesting letter from an Esthonian correspondent, he says that conditions, while not happy in his country, are not nearly so bad as in Russia. He gives the following particulars regarding Esthonia: "My native country, Esthonia, is situated between Finland, Lettland and Russia. The population is about 1,200,000 and approximately ninety *per cent.* are Esthonians and the remainder are Swedes, Germans, Russians, Jews and Letts. The capital, Reval (Tallinn) has about 150,000 inhabitants." American stamps of current issue are in demand in Esthonia and we gather that they are encased in some way or other and in this shape pass from hand to hand as representing a stabilized rate of exchange.

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Mr. J. T. Gosling, Postmaster-General of British Central Africa, writing in 1903, gives an interesting account of the state of postal affairs in the Protectorate, from which we quote at length by permission from *St. Martins le Grand.*

"The absence, hitherto, of a railway, or of any general provision of vehicular transport, has led to the adoption of special modes of conveyance for man and goods; and in the case of mails forwarded overland, the negro has entirely supplied the place of beast or machine.

Dotted over the country, at intervals of twenty miles or so along its main roads, are mail men's rest-houses. Here natives wearing the uniform of the Protectorate Post Office wait to perform allotted tasks, which may consist of conveying a mail bag to the next rest-house every second or third night—the men taking turns and traveling about eighty miles a week in all—or in dealing with the more irregular mail from England, for which they may have to wait a week if the steamer is late. Whichever it be, the mail goes on from rest-house to rest-house, night and day, each succeeding gang of men, on reaching the hut which marks the end of their section, handing the bags over to their fellows in waiting. If it be night they awaken them from their slumbers, and lie down alongside the fires in the vacated places.

For the local mails passing between the different settlements two men per section are allowed, whilst the larger mails from countries oversea may require as many as forty.

Of course this organised system had a beginning. At one time the mails were forwarded by day only, and direct from station to station. A native would be sent off with a bag of correspondence, and told to take it to its destination, which might be any distance up to a hundred miles. He would travel about twenty miles a day for the longer distances, and perhaps as much as forty miles in twenty-four hours where this completed the journey; but in such cases he would, as a rule, be fit for little the following day. When the method of conveyance by relays of mail men traveling mostly at night was first introduced, old settlers said that the men would be eaten by lions; and the men who commenced the new service were accordingly equipped with lanterns and rifles; but after a while the lights were given up as not worth the trouble of carrying, and although rifles are sometimes still taken, it is generally when a wild beast has been visiting the villages in the district to be traversed. It must not be assumed that lions are not encountered. Cases have occurred where the mail men have been driven to take refuge in a tree, and leave the bags at the foot to be smelled and pawed and discarded as inedible by disappointed beasts of prey, and mails have sometimes been delayed on that account. But there are lions and lions. I know a "White Lion" in a Surrey village, who, to my certain knowledge, has often delayed the mail. It would be incorrect to suppose, however, that the native of British Central Africa is a drunkard, or that, when employed as a mail man, he frequently proves unworthy of his post. As a matter of fact, the mail service is conducted with marvellous punctuality, and instances of encounters with the alcoholic lion are comparatively rare.

Experience shows that, provided a route is well traveled by day, it is fairly safe to traverse at night, and the mails have been sent by night for the past five years without any injury to the men employed. Leopards are more common than lions; but they are usually more anxious to steal sheep or other small domestic animals than to encounter men and women.

As a rule, the native mail men are wonderfully faithful and trustworthy. Careful record is kept of the men engaged, even to the marks or scars upon their bodies; but only one case is known where a carrier made off with the bag entrusted to him. They stick to the bags, too, under circumstances of considerable danger. . . .

This system of conveyance of mails by relays of carriers is an essential feature of the postal communication of the Colony. Nearly all local mails are conveyed by night in this manner, and letters posted one evening are delivered the next morning at stations forty miles away.

It is recorded of the British Central Africa mail men that they once went on strike. The men employed at a certain Post Office presented themselves *en masse* to the Postmaster one morning, and said they were going away to their villages. Asked why, they expressed dissatisfaction at receiving less pay than the mail men employed at an Office some forty miles away. Six shillings a month was not enough for them, they said, as their fellows were paid eight. The matter was "righted" by a reduction of the higher scale; and the original malcontents showed a fine disregard of the ethics of striking by proving themselves very ready "blacklegs" when the men at the second Office were inclined to resent the diminution of pay.

The calling of mail man is rather a popular one with Nyasaland natives. The post is fairly well paid as native pay goes; and in this regard it must be remembered that natives do not, as a rule, work for Europeans in order to obtain food—that they get from their gardens—but in order to obtain money to buy clothing for themselves and their wives. They have further, the advantage that, in order to cover their eighty miles or so per week, they have only to perform some four or five journeys, and thus, compared with natives employed in other spheres of labour, they have abundant leisure.

In addition to the mail men, there are a fair number of natives engaged as indoor assistants. These can, in most instances, read and write, and sometimes speak English. They are often capable of sorting the letters and making up the mails, but are not, as a rule, allowed to do this without the supervision either of an Indian Clerk or of the Postmaster.

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A special series was prepared for the use of President Grant and his White House associates, and as there were not many in those days, they did not require a great many stamps. Hence the series of five, which are known as the Executive stamps and listed by Mr. Scott as Nos. 1509-1513 are rather scarce and are priced unused at $70.00. I have a set which is in good condition, not superb, remember, that remained in my own collection for a number of years until replaced by "full catalogue" specimens, and these I am willing to part with for $25.00. A set complete surcharged "Specimen" in fine condition at $5.00. Either well worth the money and returnable if not satisfactory.
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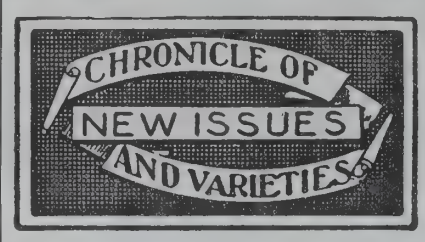

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.
The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—On March 21st the President made a great sweep in the higher personnel of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. At that time not only the Director, James L. Wilmeth, but around thirty of the lesser officials were dismissed without notice nor were they advised as to the cause of their dismissal. The air is thick with rumors about the vast printery where Uncle Sam manufactures his postage and revenue stamps, but there is no tangible scintilla of substantiation for sensational tales.

Opinion is general that internal politics, rival ambitions and organized labor activities are probably all that will be unearthed if a congressional investigation is enacted.

The new Director, who took office on April 1, is Mr. Louis A. Hill of Philadelphia. Mr. Hill has been Assistant Chief of the Division of Engraving for about twenty years and his father before him was Chief of the Division for a number of years. He is an engraver by profession and has spent practically all of his life in the Bureau. He comes to his new position well posted on the inside workings and requirements of the office and philately wishes him every success.

Back in the early nineties, it was discovered that the Continental Bank Note Company had placed secret marks on the dies which they had taken over from the National Bank Note Company and that therefore, the issues of 1870-1873 could be distinguished. As a result, we have in our catalogue today the National issue of 1870 and the Continental series of 1873. The work of the National Company had been somewhat criticized and when the Continental people took over the contract they feared that some of the National stamps might be returned to them, so they lost no time in getting out plates for all denominations from the 1c to the 15c inclusive. As these plates were made from the dies having the secret marks added, they may be readily distinguished. In the case of the higher values, however, that is, the 24c, the 30c and the 90c, there was little demand and as a result new plates were not made up by the new company. Therefore, in the case of these three denominations, philatelists have always had to depend on the paper and shades to distinguish them, resulting in controversies as to which is which. It has heretofore been accepted that the 24c in the shade showing a reddish tinge was the work of the Continential Bank Note Company, but we had nothing to prove that this was the case. Mr. John A. Klemann recently came into possession of the 24c with the Continental grill and his study of this stamp has given us information which will enable us to definitely distinguish the two printings of the 24c. It will be recalled that the 24c was not produced by the Continental Company until 1874, at which time a printing of this value was made. It will be further recalled that all of the varieties of these seventy issues, as well as the Newspaper stamps showing silk threads are the work of this company and were made about this time. In fact, the National people never used, to our knowledge, a silk paper. It therefore follows that the 24c, showing silk paper, is the work of the Continental Company and may be so classified. I might mention that this silk is not plainly visible as in the case of some of the revenue stamps, but one or two threads in different colors, one or more millimeters long are noticeable under a glass. I have seen about twenty of this stamp and they all seem to be in a light violet shade. The variety is not as rare as the stamp which was formerly classified as such.

My recent remarks regarding the used copies of the 1869 issue without grill have brought an interesting letter from Mr. H. C. Hopkins from which I quote, "I have examined a number of used copies that, even under the glass, appeared to be without grill. By placing a drop of water in a watermark detector and laying the stamp, dry, face down on the water and watching closely, it is possible to see the breaks in the paper caused by the grill as the broken fibres wet first and show dark before the unbroken portions of the paper become wet. Sometimes only a few points of grill show, I have found them when only one showed. In one instance only did I find a stamp that showed no points at all." This is certainly an interesting experiment and will help to show up many copies now residing in collections as "ungrilled" copies.

We wish to thank Messrs. R. W. Boisselier, Fred Altfelix, Leslie A. Boone, S. G. Rich, Louis G. Barrett and H. W. Porter for notes of interest.

ARMENIA.—An Armenian correspondent has sent Messrs. Yvert & Tellier a new set of ten stamps, pictorial and otherwise, ranging from 1r to 1,000r, which is to be augmented by a 2,000r value in the near future. The ten already on issue are illustrated in the *Echo de la Timbrologie,* comprising:—

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25r grey-green; Babylonian sculptures from Ani.
50r red; Armenian soldier, Ararat in the background.
100r yellow-brown; sculptures from Ani.
250r blue; five-pointed star, with sickle and hammer in the centre, supported by two strange birds.
500r purple-brown; Mount Ararat.
1,000r green; fisherman with net, on the shore of Lake Van.

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ESTHONIA.—Mr. Arthur E. Wellin advises that the 50p green in the typ Scott's A8, imperforate, is on sale.

GERMANY.—Mr. Otto F. Henker mits to us the 100pf olive green in current set. Mr. Henker also calls attention to the new 20m stamp m tioned in the March 18th issue tha careful examination the stamp sho pair of horses rather than one.

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swer to his question regarding the surcharge "R de C" appearing on some of the current stamps:—"In regard to surcharge on same will say that "R de C vale C 001" means "Rebuilding of the Post Office" which was destroyed by fire. They can be used as well as the others."

NORWAY.—A provisional arrives in the shape of the 25 öre magenta, Numeral and Post-horn type, surcharged "5 ORE", in two lines, in black. At the same time, we have a definite 5 öre in the colour and type of the stamp so surcharged. Messrs. Whitfield King & Co. send us examples of both, together with a new 40 öre Due. Numeral and Post-horn type: 5 öre on 25 öre magenta and 5 öre magenta. Postage Due (type of 1889-1914): 40 öre blue.—*Stamp Collecting.*

PORTUGUESE COLONIES. — Gibbons' *Monthly Circular* reminds its readers that special stamps are no longer to be issued for Inhambane, nor for Lourenco Marques, Tete, or Quelimane. All these will in future use Mozambique stamps. The same applies to Portuguese Congo also.

Meanwhile, what has become of the new allegorical and pictorial designs for the African and Indian Colonies, which were officially foreshadowed so long ago as July 17th, 1920? According to the decree of that date, the main feature of the design, an allegorical figure of the Republic, armed with sword and buckler (the latter embossed with the Portuguese Arms), is common to all the series, the backgrounds differing for each Colony.

The issue of Angola, Cape Verde, Guinea, Mozambique, St. Thomas and Principe, &c., are stated to depict the memorial pillar of San Rafael, erected by Vasco da Gama at the entrance to the Quelimane River. Those for Portuguese India show a glimpse of jungle scenery through a fretted archway; and those for Macau and Timor a galleon of the time of Vasco da Gama.

These stamps were printed some time ago, and will presumably be brought into use in the various Colonies as the stocks of the existing types become exhausted. —*Stamp Collecting.*

RUSSIA.—Mr. Karl Koslowski sends us the following regarding the new surcharges:—

Type I.

5,000r on 1r in red, no letters.
5,000r on 2r in red, no letters.
5,000r on 5r in red, no letters.

Type II.

5,000r on 20r in red, letters R.S.F.S.R.
5,000r on 20r in black, letters R.S.F.S.R.
10,000r on 40r in black, letters R.S.F.S.R.

Type I is the large 1r orange imperforate stamp showing a couple of farming tools and two stacks of grain in the center. The type II is the 40r blue oblong stamp picturing a man slaying a dragon. Mr. Koslowski also adds that his correspondent advises him that all mail to foreign countries requires now 10,000 rubles and registered 15,000. Stamps of all description are being over printed in various colors and it is very likely some will turn out to be very scarce. The stamp fever is overtaking even the half starved and the three values of overprints on the Hand Breaking Chain varieties (Scott's No. 149 and 150) are selling in Moscow, the usual 500 roubles nominal value of 5,000 rubles or more a set. A special commission has been organized to take care of the Postal affairs and all known former collectors have been put in charge to provide new material and assist the Postal organization, and the result may be many new surcharges on the older issues that are being assembled by this commission.

SAAR.—The Nassau Stamp Co. submit copies of the 5c, 10c and 15c of the new set which is somewhat larger in size than the 1921 issue. The 5c is orange and black and is of the same design as the 10pf of the former set. The 15c is in a brown shade and is of the type of the former 1m. The 10c is a very bright green color and shows a bridge of the country and is similiar in design to the former 80pf.

UPPER SILESIA.—Mr. Johan B. Brandt advises of the following Officials: No. 225, surcharge reading up (vertically); No. 232, surcharge inverted (horizontally); No. 232, surcharge reading up (vertically); No. 233, surcharge inverted (horizontally) and No. 235, surcharge reading up (vertically).

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BRITISH CENTRAL AFRICA

(*Continued from page 203*)

The correspondence conveyed in the mails of Nyasaland is for the most part posted by the European settlers; but there is a fairly large native correspondence also. At one time the native did not make use of the post office, or, if he did so, did it in an irregular way by getting the mail men to carry letters unofficially. Even now it is often found that a letter sent by a native in one village to a friend in another contains enclosures from almost every person in the community who can write, and indeed, from some who cannot—a sort of village secretary filling the breach where necessary.

Comparatively few of the natives can read and write at present. Some write in Suahili, but the majority in their own language, using European characters. The mail men, as a rule, cannot read or write; and sometimes this leads to complications, as, for example, where a mail has to be passed on to a 'relay' at a rest-house remote from European supervision, and the arriving mail men are late. The men who are to take the bags on to their destination know full well that unless they can make up the time there will be trouble when they arrive; and formerly it was the practice to insist on the delinquents going through to the end of the journey—another twenty miles or so—to admit and explain their fault. As this arrangement, although calculated to ensure punctuality, was apt to delay the return mail, it was explained that the uniforms, which are numbered, would do as well; and the clothing is now taken instead of the men. That is to say, the late arrival has to surrender his uniform jacket, which is taken through to the next post office in order that a note may be made of the number, and the matter 'suitably noticed'. For the addresses and the bags, too, special provision has to be made; and coloured labels, or brass tablets of different shapes and design, serve to indicate to the untutored savage the particular destination for which the bag entrusted to him for conveyance is intended.

In addition to the overland services by relays of natives, mails are conveyed by steamers on the Zambesi and Shire rivers and on Lake Nyasa. They are small screw steamers carrying a few passengers, and make the passage round the lake every now and again as occasion requires. Gunboats were placed on the lake when its coasts were the headquarters of slavers, and slavedhows used to carry living cargoes between its shores. Times, however, have changed; and instead of criticising the 'inactivity of the Nyasa gunboats' in the matter of slavery suppression, the missionaries around the shores of the lake are now apt to grumble that these vessels are not used to bring their mails so frequently as they would wish."

The year preceding the change of the name of the Protectorate to Nyasaland Protectorate (1906-7), a number of reductions in postage rates were introduced, and the business done in the Post Office Department had assumed considerable proportions. A railway had been opened and was in use for the conveyance of mails between Port Herald and Chiromo, and the construction of a continuation from Chiromo to Blantyre was being proceeded with. The estimated number of articles posted in the year was 374,536, an increase of 53,632 over the previous year, when 320,904 articles had been sent. 904 letters were returned to other countries as undeliverable as against 686 in the previous year, and 473 undeliverable local letters as against 642 the year before.

The chief items in the postal report are thus summarised:—

	1905-6.	1906-7.
Oversea mails received.	348	407
" " despatched,	302	318
Inland parcels *per month*—		
Zomba,	4	32
Blantyre,	21	52
Chiromo.	8	8
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By an order in Council of July 6, 1907, the name of the country was changed to Nyasaland Protectorate, and in the first report of the Nyasaland Protectorate we find continued good progress in the business of the Post Office. The 1 oz. unit of weight for correspondence was adopted, and the sample post rates were reduced from 4d per 4 ozs. to 1d per 4 ozs. The German East Africa line of steamers having reduced the sailings of their fast boats to once every three weeks, an arrangement was entered into for sending mails for London via Beira and Salisbury, connecting with the Union Castle boats at Cape Town. Correspondence for South Africa was also sent via Beira or Delagoa Bay to Johannesburg, which last office acts as distributing agent. Imports by parcel post were valued at £3914 as against £3647 3s. 9d. the previous year.

The following is a summary of the regular postal statistics.

The total number of postal articles dealt with was 1,101,917 as compared with 612,284 the previous year:—

	1906-7.	1907-8.
Letters,	434,126	866,632
Postcards,	19,898	31,888
Newspapers,	98,168	155,468
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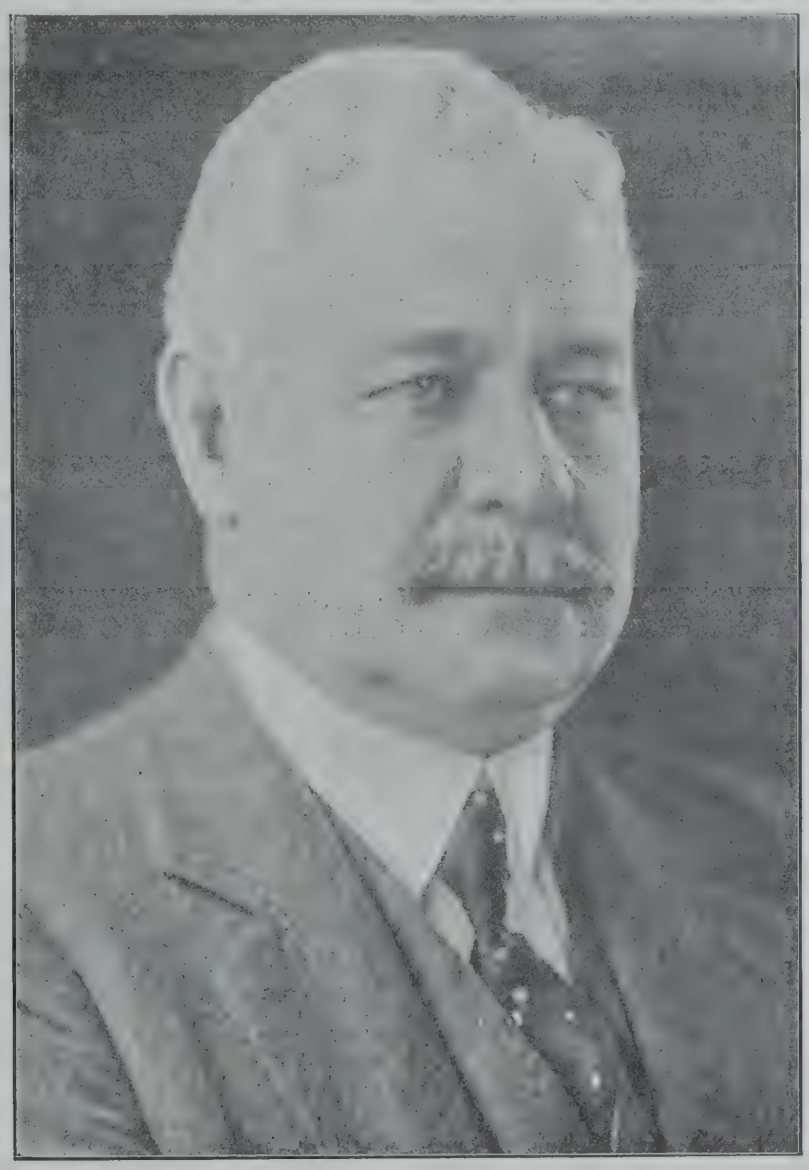

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PARIS, April 6.—A one-cent British Guiana stamp, issue of 1856, black on carmine, sold today for 300,000 francs at the auction sale of the famous Baron Ferrari collection.

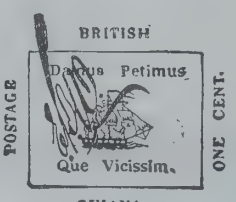
This price, plus 17½ per cent state tax, making a total of 352,500 francs (about $32,000), was the highest price ever paid for a stamp in France.

The specimen was knocked down to an American, who declined to give his name, after long and spirited bidding.

The Baron Ferrari collection, of which it was a part, was the largest in the world. The owner, a German who died during the war away from the Fatherland, bequeathed the collection to the Berlin Postal Museum. The French Government, into whose hands the stamps fell, decided to auction them and apply the sums acquired to Germany's reparation account.

The present sale is the third of a series which may continue for years before the collection is disposed of. The first auction was held last June, the second in October. These two brought in about $250,000, some of the money coming from Americans.

NEW YORK, April 6.—The American who paid 352,000 francs for a stamp at the Paris auction today was either Colonel E. H. R. Green, son of the late Hetty Green, or Albert H. Caspary, Wall street banker, in the opinion of local stamp dealers. Caspary attended the auction and Colonel Green had a representative there.



PARIS, April 8.—The highest price ever paid for an American postage stamp was that which was handed over by Griebert, the London Philatelist, in the third days' sale of the Baron Ferrari de la Renotiere collection.

Mr. Griebert paid 123,375 francs for the only known specimen of Boscawen, N. H., issue of 1846—more than $15,000 with the 17½ per cent sales tax, for a stamp whose face value was five cents.

At the end of the sale Mr. Griebert admitted he was buying for A. Hind, an American manufacturer, whose stamp collection is one of the most noted in the United States.

A five cent Alexandria brought $6,000. It was bought by Warren H. Colson of Boston, who won also a Baltimore ten cent stamp at the same price.

The sales netted 1,000,000 francs, but it is estimated that there are still 5,000,000 francs' worth remaining to be sold at auction in June, when American buyers are expected to carry off the best bargains again, owing to the exchange rate.

PHILATELY AS AN INVESTMENT.

By ARTHUR BARGER.

In a recent issue appeared an article entitled, "Philately as a Matter of Fancy." This was very interesting from a literary point of view, but to the seasoned collector quite amusing in many ways.

Stamp varieties are listed in catalogues, generally because of the interest taken in them by collectors, and the latter have long ago decided that perforated stamps did not fill the bill, and few collectors mourned their loss when excluded from the catalogue. This, however, does not mean that they should be thrown in the scrap heap. Many collectors are specializing in these, and are willing to pay, in many cases, full catalogue (old editions) and even more for certain varieties they want badly. Everything is collectible, and everything has a value. What one collector wants, another discards, and vice-versa.

In regard to the investment represented by stamps, most articles on this subject are in order. One must realize that the element of luck is an important factor in collecting. The average collector, I am sure, does not buy all his stamps from dealers. Often a search in a friend's attic will well repay the time spent, and many of our standard rarities have been uncovered in this way. How often will a collector spot a foreign parcel, and finally, after lots of trouble, get the desired stamps. I recently saw a superb one pound Gt. Britain secured in this way. Five minutes persuasive talking did the trick, and will this represent a 10% increase per year? I'll say it will!

A thousand and one different ways present themselves to the ardent philatelist to add new specimens to his collection, and when they are totalled up, the profit is often staggering. Of course, the dealer is the old stand-by to fill vacant spaces, but, all stamps are not sold at 50% discount, nor are they bought back at a fifth catalogue. Nor does the catalogue price increase 10% a year, not even as an average. If any one likes examples; in 1918 I purchased a 1 shilling Bahamas War Tax, No. 305, for 40 cents. I recently sold the same stamp for $9.00. The Palestine 1 piastre dark blue, bought for $1.25 in 1919 is cheap today at $12.50. I can cite hundreds of other stamps which have sprouted wings, and flown upwards as far as prices are concerned. A collection of War Stamps I formed in 1918—even with the later drop in prices—showed a handsome profit when broken up.

If stamps are intelligently collected; care taken to obtain copies in good condition, and bought from reliable dealers, they will, in the majority of cases, show a profit, and a good one at that. Also the pleasure of collecting is worth a good deal. As a collector and dealer for fifteen years, I can safely say, that "Once a Collector, always a Collector" regardless of profit; but the profit is there too.

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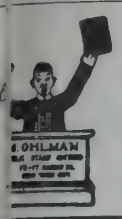

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THE FIRST AUCTION.

Trans. by W. G. Watt, M. D.

It is exactly fifty years—since it was the 18th of March, 1872—that there was held in London, *at one o'clock precisely,* the first auction sale of stamps. Henry Wheatstone has discovered a catalog of this sale, with annotations and reflections written by E. L. Pemberton, one of the fathers of English philately; it makes an interesting study, which appears in the *Philatelic Journal of Great Britain,* and from which we reproduce the following:—

The promoters of this new method of sale were Messrs. Sotheby, Wilkinson, and Hodge; the experiment was made, according to the title of the catalog, on "a fine selection from the celebrated collection of Mr. W. J. Scott."

With the frank outspokenness usual in that period, Mr. Pemberton expressed himself in his outline of the sale: "the catalog contains 275 lots which, according to the foreword, is but one part of an American collection, and the only reason given for not selling the entire collection, was that the time of the public is too precious to devote thus three days. It is not a bad idea to exaggerate the value of a collection and to prepare also the public idea to a second sale of duplicates. The lot sold the 18th inst. comprised the cream of the collection, the contrary cannot be said, and those four hours of the sale in one day have not been so bad after all."

It seemed then that the art of camouflage was then well known among the first philatelists.

The first lot contains the 5 and 25c of the newspaper stamps of the United States. In spite of the mention "very rare" noted in the catalog, this lot has been sold for only three shillings. Coming after, the set of 1851 U. S., with a lot of ten varieties of shades and types, the whole was sold for 5 shillings which was really not too expensive. And what would you say of the set of 1871, accompanied by ten varieties sold at 2 shillings? You cannot dream of it as cheaper, especially as some grilles comprised the series.

Here we are now in the kingdom of speculation: one 15c of 1869 *center inverted,* is sold to Mr. W. Dudley Ablee, for the sum of 36 shillings, what Mr. Pemberton notes on the margin as being a good price.

Giving a rapid glance at the descriptions of the lots, we see but many "rare", "very rare", "almost unique", "extremely rare", "not guaranteed", "presumed good", etc.

Mr. Pemberton has obtained several interesting lots. The other big buyers were Sir Samuel Cooper, President of the Philatelic Society, and Mr. Atlee.

After the United States, a quantity of mixed lots was sold, among them four specimens of the 5c green, first issue of Bolivia, reached the surprising price of 14 shillings. At the same time a complete set of the "bulls eyes" of Brazil was sold at 11 shillings. For three pounds three shillings, Mr. Pemberton obtained three superb Sidney Views, unused, with a poor three pence, also unused, and he considers this lot as the only truly interesting in the sale.

A thirteen cent "Missionary" of Hawaii is sold at 6 pounds 10 shillings. It would be interesting to know to whom this piece has gone. Perhaps one of the lots of the Ferrari collection is this stamp which was not so much appreciated at this time?

Among the 64 last lots which comprised only the Confederate States of America, we must call attention to the 5c Macon which varied between 12 and 15 shillings, and at last a Charleston described as an extraordinarily beautiful specimen which reached the price of 2 guineas.

We cannot find a better conclusion for this brief resumé than the reflexion of Mr. Pemberton himself—"the results of this sale", he said, "are very satisfactory, which proves that philately is not yet in its decline *and never will be.*"

What would Mr. Pemberton think if he could be able to be present at the jubilee of the stamp auction?—*L'Echo de la Timbrologie.*

IS THIS A NEW VARIETY OF THE 5c 1890?

By J. W. Sampson.

(Mr. Sampson's question mark will be noted. It seems possible that a variety as pronounced as this must have been seen and recorded before. Mr. Sampson has a block purchased in a recent Doane auction sale, and came from an entire sheet uncovered in N. Y. City. Mr. Sampson believes that this variety is of as much importance as that found on No. 283. Is any further information available?—W. O. W.)

A variety which apparently has not been previously recorded, recently came to light in New York in the form of an entire sheet of the 5 cent, 1890, in which the shaded lines of Grant's coat extend almost or entirely across the white oval frame at the lower left.

The accompanying cut gives an idea of what to look for, though the lines are not as distinct on all the stamps on the sheet. They seem to be lighter near the top of the sheet, and heavier near the bottom, where they show much more clearly than the trace of ornament in the 10 cent, 1898, which is recognized in the standard catalogue at Type II.

STAMPS OF EX-GERMAN COLONIES.

By Fritz Arndt.

As a subscriber of your esteemed journal, I have read to-day the article "Stamps of the Ex-German Colonies" in your number 1625, taken from the International Stamp Review of Tournai, Belgium, and from the Philatelie Francaise, Paris.

The assertion that the stamps of our former colonies have been re-printed and re-issued is quite absurd and perfectly *untrue.* After it being clear that by the Peace-Treaty we should lose the colonies, the General-Post-Office in Berlin closed the sale on June 28, 1919, and after this date nobody could buy Colonies at face-value any more. Only from time to time the General-Post-Office is now selling some remainders by auction but by no means at face value, on the contrary at rates we can't pay.

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We are pleased to state that our mailing list, April 8, reached the 8,000 mark, and this is very gratifying. It has been due largely to the splendid support and co-operation extended us by certain of our advertisers and many subscribers. We take great pleasure in the fine showing made by the Fennell Stamp Co. and Allen Sears. Several new names will be noted this month, including C. A. Stegmann who sent in 19, and the Rotnem-Danielson Co., also with 19. These dealers, who are thus using their time and influence to secure subscribers for the WEEKLY, are entitled to our thanks, indeed more than our thanks. If we review catalogs and pricelists sent us by dealers who seem to be disinterested in the matter of securing new subscribers, to what extent should we go in favoring these friends who are giving tangible evidence of their interest in our publication? We are justified in saying that complimentary mention is quite often sought by dealers and a little reciprocity is appreciated.—

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited, as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—Arthur H. Robertson submits a specimen of Hartford, Conn., Permit No. 1, for metered mail, the meter number being 1101. The value is 3c, oval cancellation, and is printed in purple. It was used in connection with the Hartford Insurance Co.'s home office.

—We are informed by Robert M. Perkins that the Union of South Africa is considering a new issue of pictorial stamps.

—We have been shown by Jos. A. Steinmetz a German cover that bears upon it the earmarks of a metered mail service. The cancellation is not as elaborate as the one used by American firms. The cover before us bears a circular Leipzig dated cancellation, while an oval marking inscribed "Deutsch Reich" with "80" in large numerals in the center completes the design. The postmark is in vermilion.

—R. P. Brook submits for our inspection an albino which is postmarked Peoria, Ill. It bears underneath it a lead-pencil marking, the O. K. of the Peoria postmaster.

—The World Stamp Co. sends us the Bulgaria 1 leva in blue, displacing the same stamp in carmine, Scott's No. 163. From what our correspondent says, we are of the impression that the carmine stamp was in use for only a short time.

—Victor G. Loly of Los Angeles, Cal., has a new street address. It is now 1221 South Bronson Ave.

—Wm. D. Pierson, President of the Waterbury (Conn.) Stamp Club, sends us a copy of the revised by-laws of the Club together with a list of the charter members of the organization. Mr. Pierson writes that an exhibition will be held April 22-29, at the local Mattatuck Historical Society rooms. This has aroused considerable enthusiasm among the members and some really creditable collections will be shown. The Club now has 35 active members. The secretary is S. K. Plume.

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MISHAWAKA, IND., METERED MAIL.

(A valued correspondent, D. C. Turnbull, sends us a clipping from the South Bend (Ind.) "Tribune" that will be of more than passing interest, and we print the same herewith. Mr. Turnbull also submits a specimen of Permit No. 1, meter No. 1053, oval in shape, just put into use in Mishawaka. While the WEEKLY cannot give undue space to the new form of postage, it believes that as a side line in U. S. collecting philatelists will be interested. From time to time we hope to publish check lists of such permits as come into use. The imprint is in red.—W. O. W.)

The first business house in the state of Indiana to adopt the metered mail system, thus taking advantage of the postal department's new ruling which extends the "permit" system to first class mail, is the Mishawaka Woolen Manufacturing Company. Under the new system the mailer is enabled to use the government's permission through the agency of an apparatus being installed by the Pitney-Bowes Company, of Stamford, Conn., a machine similar to the type of equipment used in the postal departments of the world, but of an improved type.

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How It Works.

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Regard—The Ferrari sale in Paris has been receiving no little space in the newspapers, many of which have printed the despatch that over $32,000 was paid for the British Guiana rarity, one cent black on magenta, 1856, the only copy of which was in the celebrated Ferrari collection. Twenty-five years ago, this stamp was priced nominally at around five thousand dollars. Several Americans were at the sale and we suppose that they did not return empty-handed from Paris. In this connection we wish to call attention to a splendid editorial in the good old Brooklyn *Eagle* of April 7, 1922, which is about the best and most intelligent philatelic citation that has ever appeared in a newspaper. We congratulate the man who wrote this interesting review and we thank him for devoting valuable space to a subject which as he says is "caviare to the general." However, it is our belief that the multitude is becoming aware that stamp collecting has a recognized place among the reasonable collecting pursuits; and in fact an editorial of this kind does much to impress the outsider with the importance of philately. Not alone does the Ferrari sale furnish material for clever deductions, but the bill pending in Congress to permit the illustrating of stamps is given consideration. The *Eagle* editorial must be preserved and gratefully by philatelists to whom we offer it in another column.

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Received—We are pleased to welcome the *Queensland Philatelic Review* which provides some interesting matter for collectors. We notice that at a meeting of the Queensland Philatelic Society, a member gave an address on "Historic Buildings on Postage Stamps," a subject well worth consideration. Twenty-five years ago, Queensland had a philatelic journal and we are glad that again it is represented in the publishing world.

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Revived—From Mr. C. A. Burner of Normal, Illinois, we have received word that he is resuming the publication of his *Philatelic Index* which, as some of our readers will remember, made a specialty of prices realized at the different auction sales held in this country. We shall be much pleased to have Mr. Burner reestablish his paper which made a place for itself heretofore.

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Ringer—The house organ of the American Optical Company, Southbridge, Mass., presented a picture of a frank, forward young man who seemed to be at first glance none other than the redoubtable Mr. E. R. Jacobs, whose fame as a detective of varieties of the New York five-cent, one, three and ten cent, 1851, etc., by no means is writ in water. There stands he in taking pose but we rub our eyes and read the name, Lester H. Brigham, under the photo. Nor does the resemblance attach to the picture only, for we read: "As an authority on philately, Mr. Brigham has few peers and he has interested a number of his fellow workers in the collecting of stamps." Good for Mr. Brigham; and as for Mr. Jacobs, we must announce that for some time past he has been under the weather but as he is responding to treatment, it will not be long before he will be able to attend to his stamp duties again.

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Review—The contribution of Mr. Stanley B. Ashbrook on the one-cent blue, first type of the regular issue, United States, to a recent number of the official journal of the American Philatelic Society has the appearance of a work that must command universal applause. We know how indefatigably and intelligently Mr. Ashbrook has labored and his efforts have resulted in a valuable monograph. When we realize the time and money that Mr. Ashbrook has lavished on these particular stamps, we feel that he is entitled to the greatest good-will of all those who take their stamps with due regard for their possibilities of study. That Mr. Ashbrook has worked so assiduously to solve problems presented by certain of the early stamps of our own country adds to the satisfaction that many of us have in contemplating what he has done. In charting the varieties of the one cent blue, first type, Mr. Ashbrook has done a pronounced service for philately and we rejoice that Mr. Ashbrook is so true a philatelist that he is glad to share the fruits of his experience and knowledge with those who do not engage in intensive study of the kind. We trust that Mr. Ashbrook's ability and generosity will have their reward in the esteem of philatelists the world over.

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Record—That Germany has its metered mail is evident from a card sent from Leipzig to Philadelphia bearing the Leipzig postmark of March 14, 1922, and the cancellation form in an oval, "Deutsches Reich", above a central oval, containing "80." As Mr. Lowell J. Ragatz, who sent the card for inspection, says: "These new ideas spread." It is apparent that in our country "metered mail" will replace the postage stamp ultimately to a degree that we scarcely realize at present.

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Repeat—We translate a notice of a new Austrian set that embodies several advanced ideas in these days of stamp salesmanship. The Austrian government legalized a new set of postage stamps for charitable purposes, to appear the latter part of the month of April. The stamps are to be good for postage only on a certain day every four weeks or by notification by the government. The issue is to consist of seven denominations ranging from 2½ crowns to 100 crowns, with a total face value of 200 crowns. The price will be ten times face value or 2,000 crowns. The set will picture well-known musical composers, Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven, Schubert, Bruckner, Strauss and Wolf. We gather that only 200,000 complete sets will be issued but that a supplementary issue of from 40,000 to 65,000 pieces of the lower denominations will be made. It is probable that the Austrian government expects that the complete sets will be taken by collectors and that the additional lower values will be used for postage. The idea of a gallery of the great composers is an attractive one, but some objection may be made to the manner in which the stamps are to be marketed.

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EXPERIMENTS ON ALTERING COLORS OF STAMPS.

By S. G. RICH, Department of Chemistry, Concord State Normal, Athens, West Virginia.

Mr. Fred C. Zeisberg's article, in MEKEEL'S WEEKLY of Feb. 18, on a black one-cent stamp and how he discovered that it was caused by the action of the gas hydrogen sulfide on the ordinary green stamp, led me to try several reagents and their effects.

The procedure was uniform: The reagents were used in dilute solutions, of the strength commonly found in teaching laboratories; they were, in fact, from the bottles on the students' desks in the laboratory of which I am in charge. About one fluid ounce of each reagent was put into a small porcelain dish; the stamps inserted and care taken that they were thoroughly wetted by the solutions; a glass plate laid over the dish; the stamps left in the solution for one hour, except where bleaching occurred; the stamps removed, washed for three minutes in water, and laid out on white paper to dry. Such stamps as showed bleaching were removed before the color had entirely gone.

I tried three acids: hydrochloric acid, nitric acid, and hydrogen sulfide solution. All three turned green 1-cent current stamps, 1-cent Pilgrim, and 2-cent 1887 envelopes a medium blue color, somewhat deeper than the deep ultramarine of the catalogue, but of much the same tone. Hydrogen sulfide appeared to continue action longer, as the color darkened gradually during the hour of immersion. With this last reagent the green stamps attained a color identical with that of the lightest shade known of the current 5-cent stamps.

On the other stamps the results were not so uniform. The current 2-cent was not affected by hydrochloric acid nor by hydrogen sulfide solution. In nitric acid, however, it bleached in ten minutes to a pale orange-pink. On drying, this showed a distinct "pink back" which was not present in the specimen before treatment. The 3-cent current issue, type IV, turned blue while in hydrochloric acid, but resumed the violet color when washed. Under the action of hydrogen sulphide, this stamp took on a slightly grayish blue-violet color, which persisted. The current 4-cent stamp turned gray in nitric acid, and bistre-gray in hydrogen sulfide; in both cases it bleached somewhat. The current 6-cent became violet-gray in hydrogen sulfide.

The 1-cent ultramarine of 1890 bleached rapidly in the acids. It became yellow-gray in nitric acid and violet-gray in hydrogen sulfide before losing all its color. The current 5-cent, the current 2-cents surface print, the current 2-cent envelope, and the current 15-cent resisted entirely the action of the acids. On the current 12-cent, the 2-cents brown of 1882 and the 2-cents carmine of 1890, the action was only that of a gradual removal of the color, giving shades, the less pronounced of which were well within the range of shades found in unaffected specimens. One of the specimens of the 2-cent 1890 took on the orange hue so often seen in the 2-cent of 1903 as a "fade", during its bleaching.

I then tried the effect of ammonia. Towards most of the stamps it was inert; but the current 1-cent and 1-cent Pilgrim showed an olive-green coloration. The current 8-cent took on a very that complimentary mention is quite decided bistre-brown hue, quite different from any shade of ink used regularly in printing it. I tried this reagent on practically all the stamps mentioned in connection with the acids.

I tried ammonium hydrosulfide solution on the green and the red stamps mentioned above, but found no changes at all produced in them.

I lastly tried the effect of a solution of copper nitrate. This gave a curious appearance to the whole design, as if it had been rubbed with a grayish powder and then dusted nearly clean. The same effect is often seen on soaked copies of the British Colonial issues printed on "chalky" paper. Except for a slight bluing of the current 1-cent and the "dusty" appearance just mentioned, this reagent caused no changes.

The changes noted here will of course be familiar to chemists, but they may be new to philatelists and may be of interest in aiding to trace "off color" varieties, I hope to continue these experiments further, in order to discover, if possible, reagents to undo the changes, and also in the hope that these experiments may help unravel the causes of the very peculiar colors found in such revenue stamps as the $2.50 first issue and 1898 ¼-cent proprietary.

DEATH OF F. B. STACKPOLE.

We are advised of the death of a former advertiser well-known to many of our readers, Frank E. Stackpole of Portland, Me. The following is taken from a Portland paper:—

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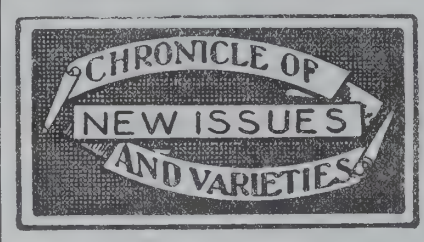

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.
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UNITED STATES.—It now develops that in the case of the recent Presidential removals at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, quite a few of those executives who have been with the department for a number of years have been dismissed. Mr. Benjamin R. Stickney, the inventor of the famous rotary press bearing his name, and the mechanical expert of the Bureau, will certainly be missed, as will Mr. George F. C. Smillie who is possibly the world's greatest portrait engraver. For a number of years Mr. Smillie was known as the highest paid government employee in Washington, outside of the President of the United States. Among some of Mr. Smillie's stamp engravings may be mentioned the dies for the center of the 1c Pan-American, the 1902 issue 1c, 2c, 3c, 6c, 8c, 13c, 15c and $1, the 1c Panama-Pacific, as well as numerous other stamps, notes and bonds.

For a long time it looked as if all of the metered mail permits would be printed in the same color as the actual stamps, for the 1c had been seen in green only, the 2c in red, the 3c in purple, the 4c in brown, the 5c in blue and the 10c in yellow. Mr. J. A. Smith, however, now informs me that he has the 2c in green and Mr. C. F. Heyerman writes to advise that he has both the 4c and 5c in carmine.

Mr. LeRoy Pratt calls attention to the fact that an article appearing in the WEEKLY for February 18, 1922, claimed that January 27, 1922, Meter 1078, Permit No. 1 of New York, was the first metered mail in use. This, of course, is incorrect, for the first use was made by the manufacturers themselves from Sanford, Conn., on Meter No. 1, Permit No. 1. Mr. Pratt's copy is dated February 25, 1921, but the company used this meter during December, 1920, the first month that it received permission from the Post Office Department. Mr. Pratt also advises that he has the 10c from Sanford dated December 17, 2.30 P. M., 1920, Meter 1, Permit 1.

Mr. S. W. Pendleton sends for inspection the first use of the first class mail permit that we have seen from Florida, these being used in Jacksonville during March, 1922.

From Mr. S. G. Rich we learn that during December last, the Post Office at Athens, West Virginia, ran out of 2c postage due stamps and used the regular 2c stamps for the collection of this charge. Such use has never been authorized by Washington, although it will in no way complicate the records of the Athens office so that there will be no trouble.

The daily press is carrying articles advising that certain divisions, including the stamp division of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing are being closed during the week of April 10th in order that the new Director may take an inventory and see that everything is in first class shape. We are quite sure that there will be nothing missing. Some of those removed have been with the Bureau for well over 30 years and it is not likely that they would do anything out of the way at this late day. The fact that a great many of the foremost brains, if I may be permitted to designate them in this way, have gone, leads us to believe that we need not be surprised to find some unusual things coming out from the Bureau in the usual course of business. You cannot train men for such positions over night and those who are being raised from the lower positions or receive political appointment from the outside, will take years to fit into their new niches.

We wish to thank Messrs. E. J. Newcomer, H. E. Weston, Kenneth Setre and J. William Harmon for notes of interest.

AUSTRALIA.—Mr. R. Roberts sends us a copy of a 1d King George type stamp in a violet shade. Mr. Roberts calls this an error of color in advising regarding it.

Mr. R. Roberts submits to us a 6d stamp of a new color the shade being a pale ultramarine. The plate is without frame line and watermarked narrow crown.

'AZORES.—Messrs. Bright & Son advise that they have just received a supply of the current Azores which are overprinted on the present issue of Portugal, and find in the consignment that the 4c and the 60c are perf. 14, while the 6, 12, 13½, 14, 20, 24, 36, 80, 90, 1es, 1.10es, 1.20es and 2 escudos are perf. 11½.

BULGARIA.—Mr. R. Roberts has shown us a copy of a 1 leva stamp of the commemorative set with a portrait in the centre but the stamp is a trifle smaller in size than heretofore. The color is blue.

CZECHO-SLOVAKIA.—Mr. A. H. Luck advises that he has received a copy of No. 152, the belt around the women's waist being broken in the centre. Mr. Luck is informed by his correspondent in Prague that only one copy appears on a sheet of 100 stamps. The stamp has been changed to green color since the error was discovered.

ESTHONIA.—Prof. M. Loewy sends us a copy of the new 10m blue stamp mentioned in a recent issue imperforate, with perforation 13½.

IRISH FREE STATE.—*Stamp Collecting* states that the 2½, 4 and 9d values of the current set of provisionals are to be overprinted in red and will be on sale April 1.

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angelo's fresco in the Sistine Chapel, executed to the order of Pope Julius II in 1508. It will appear on certain new postage stamps for the Italian Colony of Lybia, made necessary by alterations in the postal tariff."

The correct English spelling of this Italian province is Libya (Libia in Italian).

The ceiling of the Sistine Chapel, Rome, was begun by Michaelangelo on May 10th, 1508, and completed on October 31st, 1512. There are twelve prophets and sybils painted on the lower part of the vaulting to the left of the altar, the Libyan Sybil grasping an open book, being the eleventh of the group.—*Stamp Collecting.*

RUSSIA.—Mr. Hyman Guth advises of the 2r brown of the latest type being surcharged in red for use as 5,000 roubles.

Prof. M. Loewy submits the 2r mentioned above surcharged in black in the same manner.

SAMOA.—In regard to the new pictorial set of stamps just issued Mr. R. Roberts advises that he finds the perforations are not the same on all values. The ½d, 1d, 1½d and 2d are perf. 14 all round, but the other values are 14x13½.

SALVADOR.—Mr. William M. McFarlan sends us the following information regarding a new set of stamps for this country:

1c, green, Francisco Menendez.
2c, black, Manuel Jose Arce.
5c, yellow, five mountains and sun.
6c, red, view of a celebration, with building in the background.
10c, blue, five mountains and liberty cap in a triangle.

Each stamp contains an inscription, El Salvador, Correos, Centro America.

The 1, 2 and 10 centavos are 25x21 mm., while the 5 centavos is a triangle, and the 6 centavos is 33x23 mm., rectangular in shape.

SWEDEN.—Mr. R. Roberts sends us copies of the 25o rose in the type of Scott's A20 and 1kr orange in the type of A18. Both stamps are perf. 10 vert cally.

TURKEY.—We are informed that the first definite postage stamp of the Nationalist Government of Turkey, face value 5pi, and printed in blue, shows a vignette of a Turkish soldier presenting arms. "Soliciting alms" might have been more in keeping!—*Stamp Collecting.*

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*2gld, No. 69..... .15
12h, No. 106..... .03
5k, No. 125..... .10
5h, No. 130..... *.03
10h, No. 132..... *.03
25h, No. 135..... .05
*50h, No. 138.... .35
*60h, No. 139.... .35
*1k, No. 140..... .35
72h, No. 144..... .02
1916-18
2h-80h, Nos. 145 to 157, each.... .01
*3h-30h, Nos. 145 to 153, each.... .02
*40h, No. 154.... .03
*50h, No. 155.... .03
*60h, No. 156.... .05
*80h, No. 157.... .05
*90h, No. 158.... .05
1k, No. 159..... .02
2k, No. 160..... .03
3k, No. 161..... .05
*15h-30h, Nos. 168 to 171, each.... .02
*2k, No. 172..... .05
*3k, No. 173..... .08
1918 Deutschreich.
*3h-20h, Nos. 181 to 187, each.... .02
*30h, No. 189.... .03
*40h, No. 190.... .03
*50h, No. 191.... .04
*60h, No. 192.... .05
*80h, No. 193.... .06
*90h, No. 194.... .08
*1k, No. 195..... .09
*2k, No. 196..... .12
*3k, No. 197..... .18
*4k, No. 198..... .25
1919-20
3h-50h, Nos. 200 to 210, each.... *.01
1k, No. 211..... *.02
*2k, No. 212..... .02
*3k, No. 213..... .03
*4k, No. 214..... .05
*10k, No. 215.... .10
*5h-60h, Nos. 220 to 225, each.... .01
1k, No. 226..... *.02
*2½k, No. 227.... .03
*5k, No. 228..... .05
*7½k, No. 229.... .08
*20k, No. 230.... .15
*5h-60h, Nos. 231 to 235, each.... .01
Newspapers.
*1919, 2h to 30h .07
*1920, 2h-60h, Nos. 282 to 294, ea. .01
Special Delivery.
*2h, No. 351..... .02
*5h, No. 352..... .02
*2h & 5h, Nos. 353 to 356, ea. .01
1918 Aerial Post.
1.50k, No. 375.... *.10
2.50k, No. 376.... *.12
4k, No. 377..... *.20
1914-18 Charity.
5(7)h, No. 401.... .03
10(12)h, No. 402 .03
3h-20h, Nos. 403 to 406, each.... *.02
35h, No. 407..... *.03
10h, No. 408..... *.02
20h, No. 409..... *.02
45h, No. 410..... *.03
1921 Charity.
*5h-1k, Nos. 411 to 421, each.... .02
*1½k, No. 422.... .03
*2k, No. 423..... .04
*2½k, No. 424.... .04
*3k, No. 425..... .05
*4k, No. 426..... .06
*5k, No. 427..... .08
*7½k, No. 428.... .11
*10k, No. 429.... .15
*20k, No. 430.... .30
MILITARY STPS.
1915 K. U. K.
*45h, No. 463.... .45
*50h, No. 464.... .45
72h, No. 466..... *.45
1k, No. 467..... *.50
2k, No. 468..... *.50
*3k, No. 469..... 5.00
*5k, No. 470..... 5.00
1915
1h-6h, Nos. 472 to 476, each.... *.02
10h, No. 477..... .05
12h, No. 478..... .04
20h, No. 479..... .05
25h, No. 480..... *.03
30h, No. 481..... *.03
35h, No. 482..... .03
40h, No. 483..... .08
45h, No. 484..... *.08
50h, No. 485..... .10
60h, No. 486..... .08
72h, No. 487..... *.08
1k, No. 488..... .30
2k, No. 489..... *.30
3k, No. 490..... .25
10k, No. 492..... *.50
1916-17
10h, No. 493..... *.02
15h, No. 494..... *.02
20h, No. 495..... .10
80h, No. 496..... *.08
90h, No. 497..... .10
1917 KARL.
1h-10h, Nos. 498a to 502, each.... *.01
12h-25h, Nos. 503 to 506, each.... *.02
30h, No. 507..... *.03
40h, No. 508..... *.03
50h, No. 509..... *.08
60h, No. 510..... *.04
80h, No. 511..... *.03
90h, No. 512..... *.05
2k, No. 513..... *.04
*3k, No. 514..... .20
*4k, No. 515..... .20
10k, No. 516..... *.40
Military Newspapers.
2h, No. 591..... .02
6h, No. 592..... .02
10h, No. 593..... .02
20h, No. 594..... .03
1893 Postage Due.
*1kr, No. 625.... .03
*2kr, No. 626.... .02
*3kr, No. 627.... .02
5kr, No. 628..... *.02
*6kr, No. 629.... .03
*7kr, No. 630.... .04
*20kr, No. 632... .05
50kr, No. 633..... *.13
1900 Imperforate.
*1h-10h, Nos. 634 to 640, each.... .01
*20h, No. 643.... .03
40h, No. 644..... *.04
*100h, No. 645... .06
1900-13 Perforate.
12h, No. 653..... .02
20h, No. 656..... .02
40h, No. 657..... .02
1h-10h, Nos. 658 to 662, each.... .01
14h, No. 662a .... *.03
20h, No. 663..... .01
25h, No. 664..... .03
30h, No. 665..... .03
50h, No. 666..... .02
100h, No. 667.... .03
10kr, No. 669.... .08
1916
*5h-20h, Nos. 673 to 676, each.... .02
*25h, No. 677.... .04
*30h, No. 678.... .03
*40h, No. 679.... .03
*50h, No. 680.... .04
10k, No. 683..... .12
1917-19 Surcharged.
10h, No. 684..... .01
15h, No. 685..... *.02
*20h, No. 686.... .02
*50h, No. 687.... .04
*25h, No. 695.... .50
1919
*5h-50h, Nos. 702 to 709, each.... .01
*1k, No. 711..... .02
*5k, No. 712..... .05
*10k, No. 713.... .10

AUSTRIA—Continued

1920 Imperforate.
*5h-50h, Nos. 714 to 721, each.... .01
*80h, No. 722.... .02
Italian Occupation.
5h on 5c, No. 933 *.03
10h on 10c (934) *.04
20h on 20c (935) *.05
*1c-10c, Nos. 941 to 944, each.... .02
*20c, No. 945.... .03
*25c, No. 946.... .04
*40c, No. 947.... .06
*45c, No. 948.... .08
*50c, No. 949.... .09
*1cor, No. 951... .15
*1cor, No. 952... .30
Offices in Turkey.
*2sld, No. 1001.. .03
*5sld, No. 1003.. .04
10sld, No. 1004.. .03
*25sld, No. 1006 .05
*2sld, No. 1008.. .03
*20sld, No. 1012 .10
*20pa, No. 1016 .05
*8pa, No. 1020.. .02
10pa, No. 1021... .03
*1pia, No. 1034.. .03
*2pia, No. 1035.. .06
*5pia, No. 1036.. .05
*10pia, No. 1037 .20
*20pia, No. 1038 .25
20pa, No. 1040... *.02
*10pa, No. 1043 .02
10pa, No. 1046.. *.02
*20pa, No. 1047 .02
BOSNIA.
1879
½n, No. 1..... .03
*1n, No. 2..... .03
1n, No. 3..... .10
*2n, No. 4..... .03
*3n, No. 5..... .04
*5n, No. 6..... .02
*10n, No. 7..... .04
*15n, No. 8..... .05
*20n, No. 9..... .07
*25n, No. 10..... .10
1900
*1h-10h, Nos. 11 to 16, each..... .02
*20h, No. 17..... .10
*25h, No. 18..... .03
*30h, No. 19..... .15
*40h, No. 20..... .15
50h, No. 21..... *.03
1k, No. 22..... *.04
2k, No. 23..... *.05
5k, No. 24..... *.25
1901 Black Numerals.
*20h-45h, Nos. 25 to 29, each..... .03
1906 Pictorial.
1h-10h, Nos. 30 to 35, each..... *.02
20h, No. 36..... *.03
25h, No. 37..... *.04
30h, No. 38..... *.04
35h, No. 39..... *.05
40h, No. 40..... *.05
45h, No. 41..... *.05
50h, No. 42..... *.05
1k, No. 43..... *.13
2k, No. 44..... *.20
5k, No. 45..... *.50
1910 Birthday.
*1h-6h, Nos. 46 to 50, each..... .03
*10h, No. 51..... .04
*20h, No. 52..... .06
*25h, No. 53..... .10
*30h, No. 54..... .10
*35h, No. 55..... .13
*40h, No. 56..... .13
*45h, No. 57..... .15
*50h, No. 58..... .18
*1k, No. 59..... .25
*2k, No. 60..... .40
*5k, No. 61..... .80
1912 Commemorative.
12h, No. 62..... *.20
60h, No. 63..... *.35
72h, No. 64..... *.40
1912-14
1h-10h, Nos. 65 to 70, each..... .02
12h, No. 71..... .03
20h, No. 72..... .03
30pa, No. 1048... *.02
60pa, No. 1050... *.06
*2pia, No. 1051.. .06
*5pia, No. 1052.. .09
*10pia, No. 1053 .15
*20pia, No. 1054 .25
20pa, No. 1056... *.02
*1pia, No. 1058.. .03
1902-8 Postage Due.
*1pi, No. 1102.... .03
2pi, No. 1103..... *.05
5pi, No. 1104..... *.08
*1pia, No. 1107.. .03
*1½pia, No. 1108 .04
*2pia, No. 1109.. .05
*5pia, No. 1110.. .10
*10pia, No. 1111 .20
*20pia, No. 1112 .30
*30pia, No. 1113 .40
Offices in Crete.
*10c, No. 1152... .04
50c, No. 1154..... *.12
1fr, No. 1155..... *.15
2fr, No. 1156..... *.30
4fr, No. 1157..... *.50
*10c, No. 1159.... .03
25c, No. 1160..... .10
*10c, No. 1163.... .03
15c, No. 1164..... .06
5c, No. 1165..... *.02
*10c, No. 1166.... .03
15c, No. 1167..... *.03
50c, No. 1169..... *.10
*1fr, No. 1170.... .15
10c, No. 1172..... .04
*25c, No. 1174.... .05
25h, No. 73..... .02
30h, No. 74..... .03
35h, No. 75..... .03
40h, No. 76..... .02
45h, No. 77..... .03
50h, No. 78..... .04
60h, No. 79..... .05
72h, No. 80..... .15
1k, No. 81..... .08
2k, No. 82..... .13
3k, No. 83..... .25
1916-18
20h, No. 92..... *.10
25h, No. 93..... *.04
30h, No. 94..... *.04
40h, No. 95..... *.13
50h, No. 96..... *.05
60h, No. 97..... *.06
80h, No. 98..... *.06
90h, No. 99..... *.09
2k, No. 101..... *.15
3k, No. 102..... *.20
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10k, No. 104..... *.63
*2k, No. 119..... .20
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*4k, No. 121..... .50
*10k, No. 122.... 1.00
10h, No. 123..... *.02
15h, No. 124..... *.02
40h, No. 125..... *.03
*2h, No. 126..... .04
*2h, No. 127..... .04
Newspapers.
*2h, No. 201..... .01
*6h, No. 202..... .02
*10h, No. 203.... .03
*20h, No. 204.... .05
1914-18 Charity.
7h, No. 231..... *.03
12h, No. 232..... *.03
7h, No. 233..... .35
12h, No. 234..... *.02
*7h, No. 235..... .04
*12h, No. 236.... .10
7h, No. 237..... .04
12h, No. 238..... .05
*5h, No. 239..... .03
*10h, No. 240.... .03
10h, No. 241..... *.03
15h, No. 242..... *.03
*10h, No. 243.... .03
15h, No. 244..... *.04
10h, No. 245..... *.02
15h, No. 246..... *.02
40h, No. 247..... *.03
Postage Due.
*2h-15h, Nos. 364 to 369, each.... .02
*20h, No. 270.... .03
*25h, No. 271.... .03

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1873-99
*25c, No. 5..... .25
*50c, No. 6..... .18
*2gld 50c, No. 7 1.50
*12½c, No. 8..... .25
*15c, No. 9..... .30
*30c, No. 10..... .38
60c, No. 11..... .43
*25c on 30c,No.18 .20
*10c, No. 19..... .05
*12½c, No. 20.... .08
12½c, No. 20..... .05
*15c, No. 21..... .06
25c, No. 22..... .06
*30c, No. 23..... .08
*2½c on 10c (25) .30
2½c on 30c (26) .20
*25c on 25c (27) .06
1902-8
*12½c, No. 29..... .15
1c, No. 30..... .02
2c, No. 31..... .06
2½c, No. 32..... .03
3c, No. 33..... .06
5c, No. 34..... .03
10c, No. 35..... .04
12½c, No. 36..... .03
15c, No. 37..... .12
25c, No. 38..... .13
30c, No. 39..... *.20
50c, No. 40..... .35
1½gld, No. 41..... .65
*1½gld, No. 41... 1.00
2½gld, No. 42.....*1.50
7½c, No. 43..... .40
22½c, No. 44..... *.18
1898 Postage Due.
30c, No. 168..... .15
40c, No. 169..... .20
50c, No. 170..... .50

ERITREA.

1903-14
*25c, No. 24..... .15
40c, No. 25..... .15
50c, No. 27..... .22
1 lira, No. 28..... .12
*15c on 20c,No.30 .05
*25c, No. 39..... .05
*5c on 15c, No. 42 .30
*20c on 15c,No.43 .08
Special Delivery.
*25c, No. 101.... .05
30c, No. 102..... .05

ITALY.

1901-13
5 lira, No. 86..... .10
10 lira, No. 95..... .30
*5c, No. 96..... .10
*15c, No. 97..... .07
*5c, No. 98..... .30
*15c, No. 99 ..... .12
2c, No. 100..... *.02
*5c, No. 101..... .03
*10c, No. 102.... .04
*15c, No. 103.... .05
*5c, No. 104..... .05
*15c, No. 105.... .10
*2c on 5c, No. 107 .02
*2c on 10c,No.108 .02
*2c on 15c,No.109 .02
1915 Charity.
10c 5c, No. 191 *.03
15c 5c, No. 192 *.04
20c 5c, No. 193 *.04
Special Delivery.
*30c, No. 202.... .04
*25c on 40c (203) .12
Aerial Post.
*25c, No. 215.... .13
*25c on 40c (216) .10
Pneumatic Post.
*10c, No. 225.... .03
Postage Due.
50 lira, No. 271.. .35
100 lira, No. 272 .25
50 lira, No. 281.. .10
100 lira, No. 282 .05
Austrian Occupation.
*2c-7c, Nos. 401 to 405, each.... .02
*11c, No. 406.... .03
*13c, No. 407.... .03
*16c, No. 408.... .03
*22c, No. 409.... .05
*27c, No. 410.... .05
*32c, No. 411.... .05
*43c, No. 412.... .06
*53c, No. 413.... .06
*64c, No. 414.... .08
*85c, No. 415.... .10
*95c, No. 416.... .10
2 lira 11c, No.417 *.15
3 lira 16c, No.418 *.25
4 lira 22c, No.419 *.30
*48c, No. 429.... .10
*53c, No. 430.... .10
*64c, No. 431.... .12
*85c, No. 432.... .15
*95c, No. 433.... .15
*1 lira 6c, No. 434 .35
Newspapers.
3c on 2h, No. 451 *.08
7c on 6h, No. 452 *.09
11c on 10h (453) *.10
22c on 20h (454) *.15
Special Delivery.
3c on 2h, No. 471 *.13
6c on 5h, No. 472 *.13
Postage Due.
6c-32c, Nos. 481 to 485, each.... *.05
43c, No. 487..... *.06
53c, No. 488..... *.08
OFFICES IN TURKEY.
1908 Special Delivery.
*1pia on 25c (551) .15
*60pa on 30c(552) .25
Constantinople.
*30pa, No. 623... .05
*1pia, No. 624.... .08
*2pia, No. 625.... .13
*4pia, No. 626.... .25
Durazzo.
*30pa, No. 643... .05
*1pia, No. 644.... .08
*2pia, No. 645.... .13
*4pia, No. 646.... .25
Janina.
*30pa, No. 668... .05
*1pia, No. 669.... .08
*2pia, No. 670.... .13
*4pia, No. 671.... .25
Jerusalem.
*30pa, No. 693... .05
*1pia, No. 694.... .08
*2pia, No. 695.... .13
*4pia, No. 696.... .25
Salonica.
*30pa, No. 723... .05
*1pia, No. 724.... .08
*2pia, No. 725.... .13
*4pia, No. 726.... .25
Scutari.
*30pa, No. 753... .05
*1pia, No. 754.... .08
*2pia, No. 755.... .13
*4pia, No. 756.... .30
Smyrna.
*10pa, No. 781... .03
*20pa, No. 782... .05
*30pa, No. 783... .05
*1pia, No. 784.... .08
*2pia, No. 785.... .13
*4pia, No. 786.... .30
Valona.
*10pa, No. 801... .03
*20pa, No. 802... .05
*1pia, No. 804.... .08
*2pia, No. 805.... .13
*4pia, No. 806.... .30
5pi on 50k (675) *.30
7pi on 70k (676) *.50
*5pa on 1k (681) .02
*20pa on 4k (683) .05
*1pi on 10k (684) .06
*5pi on 50k (685) .30
*7pi on 70k (686) .50
*5pi on 50k (695) .30
*7pi on 70k (696) .50
*1pi on 10k (704) .06
*5pi on 50k (705) .30
*7pi on 70k (706) .50
*7pi on 70k (716) .50
5pi on 50k (735) *.30

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1868-92
3k, No. 20..... .03
5k, No. 22..... .03
10k, No. 23..... .03
20k, No. 24..... .30
30k, No. 25..... .50
30k, No. 25a..... .50
2k, No. 26..... .03
20k, No. 30..... .12
35k, No. 37..... .20
70k, No. 38..... .10
1r, No. 45..... .03
35k, No. 52..... .03
1902-12
15k-50k, Nos. 62 to 66, each..... .02
70k, No. 67..... .04
1r, No. 68..... .02
3½r, No. 69..... .15
7r, No. 70..... .15
10r, No. 72..... .15
*5k, No. 77..... .02
*14k, No. 80..... .02
*50k, No. 85..... .05
*70k, No. 86..... .08
*1r, No. 87..... .15
1913
1k-10k, Nos. 88 to 93, each..... .02
14k, No. 94..... .03
35k, No. 98..... .05
50k, No. 99..... .07
70k, No. 100..... .07
1r, No. 101..... .04
2r, No. 102..... .20
*5r, No. 104..... 2.00
1915 Paper Mon
*10k, No. 105...
*15k, No. 106...
*20k, No. 107...
1916-17 Surchar
*10k on 7k (110)
*20k on 14k (111
10k on 7k (112)
20k on 14k (113)
1917-18
*1-2-3-5k, Nos. 114-15-16-18, e
*50k, No. 126...
*1r, No. 128.....
*5r, No. 130.....
*15k, No. 133...
*35k, No. 134...
*3½r, No. 135...
*10r, No. 138...
1918-19 Cardboa
*1 on 1k, No. 1
*2 on 2k, No. 1
3k, No. 143.....
Charity.
3(6)k, No. 201...
5(8)k, No. 202...
7(10)k, No. 20
10(13)k, No. 20
1k, No. 205.....
3k, No. 206.....
7k, No. 207.....
10k, No. 212....
Wenden.
*2k, No. 308....
2k, No. 311.....
*2k, No. 312....

OFFICES IN CHINA.

1899-1907
*10k, No. 406.... .10
20k, No. 414..... .12
3½r, No. 420..... 1.50
5r, No. 421..... 2.00
1910-16
1k, No. 424..... *.02
*2k, No. 426..... .03
3k, No. 428..... *.04
*3k, No. 429..... 1.50
4k, No. 430..... *.04
*4k, No. 431..... 1.50
*7k, No. 432..... .04
*10k, No. 433.... .05
14k, No. 434..... .08
*15k, No. 436.... .10
*20k, No. 437.... .25
*25k, No. 438a... .30
*25k, No. 439.... .25
*35k, No. 440...
*50k, No. 442...
*50k, No. 443...
70k, No. 444....
1r, No. 445.....
1917
*1c on 1k, No. 4
*2c on 2k, No. 4
*3c on 3k, No. 4
*4c on 4k, No. 4
*5c on 5k, No. 4
*10c on 10k (45
*14c on 14k (45
*15c on 15k (45
*20c on 20k (45
*25c on 25k (45
*35c on 35k (46
*50c on 50k (46
*70c on 70k (46

OFFICES IN TURKEY.

1872-84
1k, No. 612..... .40
3k, No. 613..... .40
5k, No. 614..... .15
10k, No. 615..... .03
2k, No. 621..... .30
*2k, No. 621a.... .50
7k, No. 622..... .12
1k, No. 623..... .03
2k, No. 624..... .05
7pi on 70k (73
*20pa on 4k (74
*1pi on 10k (74
*5pi on 50k (74
*7pi on 70k (74
*5pi on 50k (75
*7pi on 70k (75
*5pi on 50k (76
*7pi on 70k (76
*7pi on 70k (77
*5pi on 50k (78
*7pi on 70k (78
*5pi on 50k (79
*7pi on 70k (79
Blue Surcha
*5pa on 1k, No
670-80-90-700
40-50-60, ea
1910-13
*20pa on 5k (80
*5pa on 1k (80
*10pa on 2k (80
*20pa on 4k (80
*1pi on 10k (80
*5pi on 50k (80
*7pi on 70k (80
*10pi on 1r (80
*20pa on 5k (80
*1½pi on 15k(80
*2pi on 20k (81
*2½pi on 25k(81
*3½pi on 35k(81
*5pa on 1k (81
*10pa on 2k (81
*15pa on3k (81
*20pa on4k (81
*5pi on 50k (82
20pi on 2r (82
30pi on 3r (82

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Collectors of modern issues frequently make the mistake of working by one catalogue only, and thus get rather a one sided and often inaccurate idea of their stamp values, especially when editions are issued at less frequent intervals than one year.

It is enlightening to consult catalogues published in other countries also, when possible, and the two of most general service are Yvert & Tellier in French francs, and Scott in American dollars; but the Weka catalogue being priced in Swiss (gold) francs is very reliable and unaffected by exchange rates.

Some collectors have the idea that the "true value" of a stamp is obtained by dividing its catalogue value by some figure such as 2 or 3, but this is often very far from the truth, as if correct the large dealer, who goes to the trouble of printing so expensive a price list, would do very little business, especially as this list or catalogue is generally sold at under cost price. At the same time there is probably no market, outside of stamps, where so wide variations in prices occur amongst the various dealers, and this is rather to be regretted as it causes instability and lack of confidence amongst collectors. Possibly it is caused by too many amateur dealers who do not always know the value of their goods but the remedy is, to a large extent, in the hand of collectors themselves by patronising the well established and better known dealer who has his reputation at stake, and who will always be available for future enquiries.

Modern Rhodesians.—One of the most popular of the African Colonies is Rhodesia, whose modern stamps are always in demand and which are specially to the fore in view of the coming change in government in that country. The King George issues have provided plenty of variety with the various dies and perforations, whilst the shades are also worthy of study. Many of the issues, which have been on sale in London at the Company's office, are still quite frequent in unused state, but a number of the higher values to £1 are really scarce in fine used condition, notably in the King and Queen issue, where all values above 2/6 are particularly desirable thus, and well worth acquiring at present prices.

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sued and although his valuations are a good deal too high, for modern issues, where the majority are not destroyed, it is instructive to compare figures for some which show curious discrepancies due to certain stamps being under-valued or less popular. Thus we have:—

	No. Issued.	*Cat. Price.*
Cayman Is.: 1907, ½d on 1d	4,800	12/6
Do., 1917, 1½d on 2½d War Local	25,000	20/–
Do., 1907, 5/– salmon	2,000	50/–
Bushire: 6ch on Persia	4,050	50/–
Trinidad: 4d on white back	10,000	5/–
Baghdad: ¼ on 5pa	1,215	£12
Cyprus: 1904, 45 pi, S. C. A.	2,640	25/–
Lagos: 1904. 2/6 S. C. A.	1,600	£4

These figures show that some of the War Issues are priced a good deal higher than earlier stamps of similar rarity.

Scarce "Dues."—In view of the probable early abolition of the British Protectorate over Egypt, the stamps of this country are of topical interest, and some of the latest issues are likely to be scarce. Two of these are the 2M green, Postage, and 10M Due stamp in blue, both with new watermark. The latter stamp was first stated to consist of only 2,000 copies, but this has since been shown to be inaccurate as two British firms alone imported this number between them. It is quite a good stamp however, and although many collectors do not take "Dues" it will probably be worth about twenty times face.

Another issue missing from many collections is the first Postage Due set of Fiji, a local production of 1917, listed in Scott but not in Gibbons. It is well worth buying if obtainable at a reasonable quotation, as no British dealers appear to have secured any large supply when first issued.—*Philatelic Magazine.*

J. R. BARKER, TORONTO, CAN.

This party has left Toronto and his whereabouts are unknown. Without doubt he will soon operate from another locality and under another name. He has defrauded a score or more of stamp dealers and they are apparently helpless in securing satisfaction. Dealers should take extra precaution in the matter of sending out approval selections.

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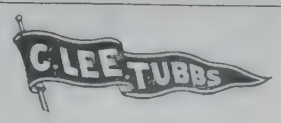

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Philately is "caviare to the general." It is a science for specialists, who are encouraged by aristocratic enthusiasts and by the newly rich. Perhaps war fortunes easily made are responsible for its present exaggerations. The collection of Baron Ferrari de la Renautiers was willed by the Baron to the Berlin Museum when he died in 1917. France insisted on sequestering it and selling it in Paris, the amount secured to be credited to German reparations. Rumor has it that the British Government offered 11,000,000 francs for the whole collection. Possibly it has gathered in the British Guiana stamp. King George is said to be a devotee of philately. In most rare stamps, as in most common stamps, there is little of beauty and nothing of intrinsic value. And yet if those who have money can be made to desire a particular specimen, the holder of it may profit 10,000 per cent or more on his own investment. "Creating the market" is what counts.

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BOSCAWEN, N. H., April 15.—A "scrap of paper" has caused such a how-d'y-do in this town, during the past few days, that the old-timers declare nothing like it has occurred since the excitement of the Civil War days.

That "scrap of paper" isn't more than three-quarters of an inch square, but it is worth $12,500, spot cash.

It isn't even *in* Boscawen today—hasn't been there, either, for half a century—but Boscawen hopes and—hunts. (Maybe the brother of that fabulous "scrap" would turn up! Or the sister, or something like a near relative.)

Yet it has done strange things, this scrap of paper! It has regenerated the local interest in the history of the town, among the 1,200 odd inhabitants thereof.

It has linked Boscawen, N. H., once and for all with Paris, France and Berlin, Germany—linked 'em by cable, too, if you please.

It has caused such a wholesale cleaning of attics that every small boy and girl in Boscawen is back-weary and sore of limb; and—well, Boscawen didn't begin to know how many antiques it had, of a salable sort, until the dispatch about that "scrap of paper" drifted into town and precipitated a near revolution, and gave the Postoffice such a morsel to chew over as it has not had in a decade.

HOW IT STARTED.

The dispatch read as follows:

PARIS, April 10—When the famous Baron Ferrari stamp collection was put on sale by the French Government here today, a stranger named Geibert outbid six American stamp collectors and carried away one of the most priceless of all the stamps in the collection, a "five cents paid" stamp issued in Boscawen, N. H., in the United States, in 1846. The sum paid for the stamp, in American money, approximates $12,500. . . .

That was the "scrap of paper" item which made this little hill village gasp, and began the whole business of attic hunting, which has filled folks' heads up here with dreams of fabulous wealth, and has set even the youngsters in a flurry of thirsty-souled adventure, wherein they hope to find and spend facile fortunes on hoops, and bicycles, and the greater thinks, like the gumdrops at the "F-F store."

"Supposin'," says every Boscawenian to his fellow, "supposin' *you* found one of them stamps, what would *you* do."

And the answer, chiefly, is, "GOLLY!"

WHERE IS BOSCAWEN.

Boscawen, as all the world knows, is perched on a narrow plateau which overhangs the Merrimac River and is crowded in, from the rear, by the foothills. To get from the depot to the town itself, one has to try out his hill-climbing power. After you get up past the old boot mill—closed these many years—and head toward the Postoffice, a few rods up the street, you begin to understand Boscawen more intimately.

Folks come to the windows and watch your passage. Three or four youngsters rolling hoops pause for a moment to give you due inspection. An old farm carryall, groaning under protest of a cargo of seven, takes its jogging way along the muddy street behind a heavy-booted, amazed-looking, brown nag, which, seemingly, pays no attention at all to the urgings of the driver's (probably habitual) "git along".

Over all, the vast peace of the open country, a hush which seems to smite

WEBSTER WAS POSTMASTER.

(Special to the Globe)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 15—The postmaster at Boscawen, N. H., during whose tenure of office the "paid five cents" stamp, recently sold for more than $12,000 in Paris was issued, was Worcester Webster, according to the records of the United States Postoffice Department. Webster held the office in the little New Hampshire town from Feb. 5, 1841, to Jan. 15, 1852.

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one like a blow, after the squeakings of the train and the remembered rumble and clatter of the city. The very robins sing a quiet, glad sort of music out of the thickets, and the song sparrows piping along Boscawen's littered fence rails are cheerfully content in an obviously tremendous world which, till this week, had passed by unheeding. A small, scattered, easy-going sort of town, filled with old men—"the young folks live at a faster clip than we used to, a couple o' decades ago, an' so they go away," the postmaster tells you—a town which seems to be outlandishly perked up in all this excitement over a stamp.

You go into the Postoffice and general store—the same Postoffice where the unsuspecting creator of all this 20th-century excitement issued the stamp, back in 1846.

There is silence among the half-dozen gray-haired men who are waiting for the mail to be sorted, a silence until you mention the stamp. Then everybody draws near and manifests interest of the keenest sort.

"I've been all through the history of the town", Fred James, the postmaster tells you, "looking for the name of the postmaster who issued that stamp. Can't find him, though. Too bad. Yes, sir, everybody up here is lookin' for copies of it. Turnin' attics and cellars and barn lofts inside out these past few days.

"It seems hardly likely, does it. One stamp worth $12,500. But it's so, I guess. I had a fellow write me from Philadelphia a good many weeks ago about that stamp. He wanted to know if we had any more of them and he sent me a picture of the stamp out of a catalog. It doesn't look worth a cent. That was weeks and weeks before they sold it in Paris, though. I didn't have any idea it was worth so much then. It looks as though Boscawen was going to be put on the map pretty much, before this thing gets through."

"Did the Government run the mails then?"

"Why, I guess so. Think it was about 25 years after they took over the mails that stamp was issued here. Just about. There's nothin' in the history of the town about the stamp, though."

"How did it happen that the postmaster issued a stamp here when the Government was running the postal business?"

"I had an idea that the Government gave postmasters authority to issue 'em if they wanted to", he answered. 'But it doesn't look as if we'd find any more of 'em in Boscawen (sadly). I suppose folks did with 'em then what folks do with old stamps nowadays. They probably used 'em and then thought 'em no use and destroyed 'em.

"Everybody's lookin'. Been lookin' for a week. Huntin' in attics and everywhere for more. I called up everybody I knew who had curios and stamps and told 'em, but no more stamps turned up. **One of the funny things is that the hunt is turnin' up all sorts of antiques folks didn't know they owned, furniture, and old glassware and dishes and all sorts of things. There's more antiques in Boscawen this minute than Boscawen ever expected it had in all its life. Just think of that stamp, though, goin' from here to Europe to that German fellow. He was a wiseacre, all right, that fellow. $12,500! ! ! Good night!"**

THE OTHER DANIEL.

I tried to jog his memory about old-time postmasters, but he didn't remember beyond his own youth. "Charles E. Chadwick had the job for about 30 years, when I was a boy. I remember him. Then there was Charles W. Carter. He was a Democrat under Cleveland. I got it after he went out. Say, wait a minute; maybe M's Kenneval could tell you somethin'. She's old man Fulsom's daughter, you know, and he collected stamps and curios here for years before he died. They offered him as much as $20,000 for his stuff once, but he refused. M's Kenneval's been lookin' through his collection to see if there's any of those old stamps in it. She couldn't find any, but maybe she'll remember if her father remembered hearin' who was postmaster when the stamp was issued."

He rang on the phone, but the Kennevals were not at home.

"I heard old Dan'l Webster tell about them times", cut in George Watson, who was listening to the discussion with interest. George is more than 70 years old, and his sparse white hair and bent form is belied by the sharp twinkle of his shrewd eyes.

"Dan'l was a relative of the other Dan'l," said he, "the great Dan'l, you know?"

"The God-like Daniel?" I inquired.

"That's him. Well, Dan'l I was tellin' of was a relative of his, an' his father, old Eliphalet, used to be postmaster, an' Dan'l helped round the place. It was in them days that folks used to have to pay for letters and get 'paid stamps' to send 'em.

"Webster died some 10 years ago, an' he was an old man then, the old doctor was. His father used to live side of the Postoffice, so I suppose he must have been postmaster. Postoffice was here when I was a boy, an' its been here off an' on ever since. Mostly on."

"That stamp you talk about, young man, was like the stamps I remember as a boy.

"We used to have to pay all the way from 5 to 20 cents to send a letter, in them days. Postage came so high that folks used to write on the letter so's you couldn't read it unless you held it up to the light. The letter didn't look like it was very long and so they was able to cheat the mails that way. You paid by the length of the letter. That five-cent paid stamp was for a single letter. Double ones cost more. Just think of that, now! A stamp sold here in this Postoffice f'r five cents years ago, costin' $12,500 in Paris today! ! !

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"I got it", said the postmaster. "You go over next door and see Deacon Raymond, Edgerton Raymond. He'll know somethin' about this stamp business. He's interested, an' he's one of the oldest men in town and remembers things pretty sharp."

"Another way that they used to cheat the Government them days was—" went on Mr. Watson.

But here Joe Stone, chief of police, chief of the Fire department, janitor of the school, truant officer and chief mail carrier of Boscawen, came in.

"Know if anybody's got hold of any of them stamps yet, Joe?" queried one of the bystanders.

Joe hadn't heard, though he knew everybody was on the trail and had been for days. He and his assistant, Mr. Fairbanks, were frank in declaring, however, that they'd like to lay their hands on just one stamp apiece.

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I went over to see Deacon Raymond. The deacon is a hearty, magnificent figure of a man, with clear eyes and a long white beard and a powerful frame, powerful even now, after his 80th year has passed him by. He, too, had heard all about the stamp. (Everybody in Boscawen has had no other topic of discussion for five days).

"What I don't see", said Mr. Raymond, who once served in the New Hampshire Legislature, "what I'm tryin' to see is how any stamp could be worth that much money; $12,500 is a lot of money. I don't see how that stamp could be worth so much."

I spoke of millionaire collectors and their willingness to pay high prices to get what they wanted. Deacon Raymond shook his head. "It seems impossible. It has seemed that way since I first heard of the story.

"I came to this town in 1850, as a boy, and I remember the torchlight processions they used to have then. Politics ran high, my boy, back in the 1850s. Things were pretty hot. The postmaster used to be a Democrat here one term and a Republican the next. It was nip and tuck, and nobody stayed in office here long. When the Republicans got in they cleaned out every Democrat from the top down and the postmaster would have had to go. And it was the same when the Democrats got in.

"So I don't remember who was postmaster when that stamp came out. There must be a record of him somewhere, but I don't know where, unless maybe in the town library. That stamp has got folks pretty much excited up here, though they don't get so worked up as they used to, gone 60 years. But I guess the hunt won't turn up any more of 'em. It seems likely, though, that he issued more of them than just one, doesn't it?"

Deacon Raymond delved into town history for me and declared that there are 40 ways of spelling the name of the town. "I just got a list of the ways you can spell it last week," he declared.

Back in the Postoffice Postmaster Fred James was turning the leaves of a huge, fat, brown-covered book. "I got the history of the town," he explained. "You might want to see in it that Boscawen is the only town of that name in the world, and that it was named after Lord Boscawen, who lived in England, though he never came here, so far as I can learn."

"I got another woman who is huntin' for the stamp," he went on. "I called her. It's Lizzie Choate, who lives up the road a piece. She's got one—"

I jumped. "Grab your camera", I hollered to the photographer. "Talk about luck."

"Wait a minute", said Mr. James. "She's got one and she don't know what it's worth."

"Is there an automobile handy? Where does she live?" I demanded.

"About five miles up the road. You can't get up there, though. Roads are too bad. Floods and everythin'. Ask the carrier."

"But the stamp. You say she has one of those stamps." His calmness failed to pacify me in my excitement.

"It's a three-cent paid stamp, issued in 1858", he explained. "She is wonderin' what it's worth."

I recovered.

And while the reaction was setting in Fred went on to tell me about Daniel Webster—the Daniel Webster—and how he lived for three years in Boscawen and studied there and knew folks.

"Another way they used to cheat the Government in them days—" George Watson was leaning against the candy counter. "They used to draw pictures instead of writing, like this: They'd put a picture of the children an' write after it, 'are well.' An', of course, everybody knew that meant 'the children are well. It was just as easy as rollin' off a log. I remember once—"

Two animated young damsels had arrived on the scene, each one of them about as tall as a tall drink of water.

"What would you do if you found a stamp worth $12,500?" we asked Justine Pillsbury, aged 2½ and a descendant of the famous Webster family. She looked at us, round-eyed and speculative. Her sidekick, however, was not so deliberate. Miss Barbara Fairbanks, aged 3, daughter of the assistant chief of police, answered for her.

"We'd buy hoops, wouldn't we, Justine?" she offered.

"Ayuh, uhuh!" gulped Justine.

—*Boston Sunday Globe.*

THE STAMP COLLECTOR.

Man must have a hobby—a sort of safety valve through which he may work off his surplus enthusiasm, something to sort of take his mind off the heavier things of the world, a recreation, perhaps, in which he may find rest and pleasure even though his faculties trot right along. For some it's golf; for others it's the camera; while others collect coins or old books.

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CHAPTER XI.

The 1869-81 Series.

Leopold I died at Laeken on December 10, 1865, just a few months after the new stamps bearing his portrait had made their appearance. It was decided, therefore, not to immediately replace these stamps with others bearing the effigy of the new king, Leopold II, and they remained in use about four years before a change was made.

During this interval numerous designs showing the new king's portrait were submitted to the administration by various artists and engravers. Finally the designs submitted by Mr. H. Hendrickx, a Belgian artist, were accepted as being the most suitable, and as the new Minister of Public Works, Mr. A. Jamar, decided to make a clean sweep the same artist was entrusted with the task of furnishing new designs for the low values. A Royal decree, dated November 13, 1869, authorized the issue of the new stamps, viz.:—

"LEOPOLD II, KING OF THE BELGIANS.
To all present and to come, Greeting.
Be it decreed:—
Art. 1.—Postage stamps of a new design are to be made and will be issued to the public for the purpose of franking articles transmitted by post.
Art. 2.—Of the above mentioned postage stamps those of 10 centimes and above will hear Our portrait, and those of a less value than 10 centimes shall bear the arms of the kingdom.
Art. 3.—Our Minister of Public Works shall determine the values and colors of these stamps, as well as the dates when they shall be brought into use.
Art. 4.—The postage stamps issued by authority of Our decree of September 25, 1865, may be used concurrently with those of the new type until a date to be fixed later by our Minister of Public Works, who will also fix the date until which they may be exchanged, and who will also take all the steps necessary for the execution of this decree.
Brussels, November 13, 1869,
(Signed) LEOPOLD."

On the following day a ministerial decree was issued stating that the new 1c and 10c stamps would be placed in circulation next day, i. e., the 15th of November. On December 12th, a further decree was published announcing that the new 2c, 8c and 20c stamps would be issued on January 1st, 1870, the 5c and 30c on March 1st, and the 40c and 1 franc on April 1st.

The only entirely new denomination was the 8 centimes which value was to have been included in the series of 1866-7 as explained in the last chapter. A 6 centimes stamp, in carmine, was also to have been issued but apparently it was found that the use for a stamp of this demonination would be so restricted as to make it more or less unnecessary and it never got beyond the essay stage.

In 1874, Belgium, like most other countries, became a signatory to the Universal Postal Union and the uniform tariff agreed to for international correspondence made a 25 centimes value necessary. This new value was issued in 1875, together with a 50 centimes stamp for letters of double-weight, the two stamps being authorised by the issue of the usual decree, viz.:—

"THE MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS.
In view of the treaty, dealing with the formation of a General Union of Posts, which was signed at Berne on October 9, 1874, and was ratified by the law of March 1, 1875, and in particular of paragraphs 2 and 3 of the said treaty:
And in pursuance of the Royal Decree of November 13, 1869, authorizing the Minister of Public Works to fix the values and colors of postage stamps, and also the dates of their issue:
And in pursuance of the Royal Decree of May 10, 1875, fixing the tariff in Belgium on correspondence carried abroad by the post, in accordance with the Treaty of Berne;
BE IT DECREED:—
On and after July 1st next, the public will be able to procure 25 and 50 centimes postage stamps . . . . the colors to be as follows:—
25 centimes stamp, yellow.
50 centimes stamp, grey.
BRUSSELS, June 7, 1875.
(Signed) A. BEERNAERT."

Less than a year later it was found that there was need of a stamp with greater facial value than 1 franc to obviate the necessity of using a number of stamps in making up the postage on bulky packets. Particularly in the case of insured packets was a stamp of higher denomination necessary and it was finally decided to issue a 5 francs stamp. This was placed on sale on April 1st, 1878, and was preceded by some official instructions which we reproduce:—

"No. 1508.
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March 14th, 1878.
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The Director-General,
(Signed) VINCHENT.

DECREE
THE MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS.
In pursuance of the Royal Decree of November 13th, 1869, authorizing the Minister of Public Works to fix the value, color and date of issue of postage stamps:—
BE IT DECREED
A 5 franc postage stamp, red-brown in color, will be issued to the general public on and after April 1 next.
BRUSSELS, March 6th, 1878.
(Signed) A. BEERNAERT."

The above described three stamps, on account of the later date at which they were issued, are usually listed as a separate series in the catalogues. But the designs are similar to those of the earlier issued denominations, they were drawn and the dies engraved by the same artist and engraver respectively, and as they are undoubtedly supplementary values of the same series, they are best dealt with here.

The values 1c, 2c, 5c and 8c were intended for the prepayment of newspapers, printed articles, etc., and these are all somewhat similar in design. They fall naturally into two pairs of which the 1c and 2c are very much alike and again the 5c and 8c are almost precisely the same. In the case of the 1c and 2c the Belgian arms are shown in the upper part of the design, surmounting the central oval. The arms consist of a lion rampant on a small circle of solid

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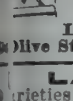

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That separate dies were engraved is proved by many small differences; notably the details in the crown, the division of the letters in the motto, and the shading of the large lion.

The 5c and 8c follow the general design of the others and have the same details though often differently disposed. The name "BELGIQUE" is in white letters on a solid ground, the ornaments at each side of the name and the floral background all rest on elaborate pillars. Again there are small differences between each showing they were from entirely different dies. It will be noted that while the name of the country is now shown for the first time, the word CENTIMES appearing in the preceding issues has been eliminated.

The designs of the values from 10 centimes to 5 francs inclusive all have one point in common—the portrait of King Leopold facing to left, appears on a background of solid color. Otherwise they are all quite dissimilar both as regards the borders and inscriptions. Even the portrait is concerned they are not exactly alike. The 10c, 20, 30, 40c and 1fr are somewhat similar and the 25c, 50c and 5fr are also a litttle alike but a careful study shows that for every value an entirely distinct design was engraved. It is hardly necessary to enter into a detailed description of the different designs as the accompanying illustrations are more adequate than any written description could be. It is interesting to note, however, how very different they are in some respects. One would expect to find a similarity in the inscriptions at any rate, but the artist seems to have exercised his ingenuity to avoid repetition of even the most prosaic particulars. The 10c, 30c and 40c show numerals of value only—nothing to indicate whether centimes or francs—and while the 10c shows only the name of the country, the 30c also has "POSTES" and the 40c elaborates the inscription to "POSTES DE BELGIQUE". The 20c shows the name and "CENTIMES" twice, while the 50c has the name of the kingdom expressed as "ROYAUME BELGIQUE".

Leopold II, Louis Philippe Marie Victor, was born in Brussels in 1835, so he was thirty years of age when he ascended the throne. He married on August 22nd, 1853, the Archduchess Marie Henriette of Austria, and by her had four children—the Duke of Brabant, who died when ten years old, Princess Louise, Princess Stephanie and Princess Clementine. The portrait on the stamps failed to give satisfaction and while contemporary writers averred it was "nothing like him" and the public set up a howl of protest, it must be conceded that the series is not unattractive. At any rate the Belgians had time to get used to them for some of the values were in use for thirteen years.

The designs, as we have already stated, were the work of a Belgian artist, M. H. Hendrickx, and the dies were engraved on wood by M. A. Doms. On the 1c, 2c, 5c, 8c, 10c, 20c, 30c, 40c and 1fr stamps the initials of both artist and engraver appear in the lower portion of the design; those of the former on the left and those of the latter on the right. These letters are in such microscopic characters that on some values they are difficult to decipher. On the other three values, the 25c, 50c and 5fr only M. Doms initials appear.

The plates presumably consisted of 300 subjects as before as the same "harrow" perforating machine continued in use, and these were made by the electrotype process. In fact, apart from the fact that the dies were engraved on wood instead of steel, the stamps were manufactured in the same manner as those of the preceding issue. They were printed in plain white paper of fairly thick substance.

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And the dealers send you 'provals
Of some microscopic error,
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And the stamps themselves is awful,
Makes yer wonder if yer sane.
What with criss-cross variations
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And a whole slough of surcharges
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And holdups, bold and daring,
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And these modern Nicaragwan mongers
Would laugh Seebeck to scorn,
(The whole durn crew is drunk I guess),
'Cause early one fine morn
They surely thunk of a new way
To git the stamp collector's jack,
'Cause they took a bunch o' railway stickers
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And heretofore thar was me
Bein' kind o' interested
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Surely funny are the ways o' humans
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—C. P.—Of the Trinidad and Tobago, 1915, Red Cross, with date 21.10.15, it is said that 100,000 were issued. The same number was also issued of the 1916, bearing the figures 19.10.16.

—Albany, N. Y., has organized a Boy Scout's Philatelic Society with some twenty members. B. F. Schmidt, 87 S. Allen St., has charge of the publicity end.

—In the Weekly of April 8 appeared a Maxwell Krause advertisement in which the headline read:—"$1.93 for 35c". This mistake was followed by a second one in the text of the advertisement. The adv. should read:—$193 for 35c". Elsewhere in this issue the firm's announcement will show the correct wording.

—It might interest you to know that on April 5th, a number of the philatelists of Colon and Cristobal, were brought together through the efforts of J. W. Coffin, Chief Clerk, Port Captain's Office Panama Canal, and to an extent by the writer, for the purpose of forming a philatelic club. We organized on the above date with sixteen members, this number has since increased considerably. We have, also, quite a number of applications for membership to be acted on. Mr. Herman Schureck was elected president of the club, Mr. Maximino Walker, vice president; Mr. J. W. Coffin, secretary and treasurer. As a name the Philatelic Society Isthmus of Panama was decided upon. That there is a great need of a Philatelic Club in this section, where there are so many collectors, is obvious.—L. J. Granie.

—We organized the Anacortes (Wash.) Philatelic Association here a month ago with a membership of fifteen, and have some very interesting meetings. The membership consists of about thirteen boys and two girls, being mostly among the Boy and Girl Scouts. We are planning to get a set of card lectures from the Stanley Gibbons, Ltd., which include cards showing the different stamps and a talk on them.—Mrs. C. L. Dwelley.

—The Jax Novelty Co., whose ads have been seen in our columns in the past, have placed on the market an ingenious substitute for the glue pot. It is called the "gloo-pen", a novel mechanical mucilage fountain. Note the announcement elsewhere.

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Abraham—A good many months ago, a writer in this paper made the suggestion, as accompanying a fine picture of President Lincoln that we printed, that a fourteen cent stamp be added to our current set and that it bear the likeness of Lincoln. Later, Mr. Aug. Dietz of Richmond, Virginia, whose forthcoming book on the Confederacy and its stamps will be a most important production, sent us another historical pic-

ture, from the other side of the Mason and Dixon line, illustrating an interesting philatelically historical side-piece to that of "the best friend the South ever had." The picture that Mr. Dietz sent is one of a photograph from which Charles Ludwig, of Hoyer and Ludwig, lithographers, Richmond, Virginia, made his drawing on stone for the first postage stamps of the Confederacy, the five cent green of 1861. Mr. Dietz says that the photograph is preserved in the Confederate Museum, (White House of the Confederacy) in Richmond. "President Davis is said to have 'sat' for this photograph for that purpose; and a careful comparison will show how well Ludwig 'caught' the likeness. 'By special dispensation', I was permitted to use this relic and the print is the exact size of the original card. The legend 'Our President' appears in pencil on the original." The proof that we had made of the picture sent by Mr. Dietz shows up very well and we hope that it will be almost as satisfactory when presented here.

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Abuse—In an issue of the *Plate-Printer*, a Washington publication that is official journal of the Plate Printer's union, the statement appears in the course of an article applauding the appointment of Louis A. Hill as the new director of the bureau of printing and engraving that the country is "flooded from coast to coast" with many counterfeit issues of government securities, including postage stamps and internal revenue stamps. That is coming it rather strong, but never fear, the philatelic avengers will soon pick up the trail and run down the forgeries with their trusty pocket glasses.

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Argued—The following remarks taken from a letter received from Mr. Dwight C. Rawlings, Chicago, will be followed with interest: "You have touched upon a subject that is in the minds of many collectors and especially of the one who finds that he is exceeding his original appropriation of money for stamps, as he becomes more intent upon adding to his collection. I think that it is advisable to speak frankly on the question and though you have said at different times in the past that no one should buy more stamps than one can afford to buy, that generality is not sufficient to cover the investment question as relating to the propriety of converting funds that are in securities, into stamps. I should like you to encourage an open discussion on the subject as its importance to me seems o be considerable. As it is admitted that marketability is so large a factor in realizing on stamps, what efforts are being made to improve conditions in this regard? Will it not be through the instrumentality of collectors that matters will mend?"

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Added—In referring to the questions of Mr. Rawlings, we may answer them hopefully. The steady increase in the number of dealers of the better class expands the market for collections, and the competition created by the dealers themselves in acquiring desirable stock has a tendency to favor the seller. The sales departments of responsible societies give an outlet but the auction sale of the established dealer is regarded as the readiest means to cash in on stamps. A bureau such as the American Philatelic Society is establishing is a decided step progressively, even though it is to handle stamp effects after the death of the collector. We suppose that this committee is the result of the efforts of collectors to meet a condition that caused the stamp investor some concern. What we are aiming at is to so broaden the popularity of philately as to make it a standard pursuit or profession in the estimation of the non-collecting public. When stamp collecting is regarded not as a thing apart but as segment of everyday life, then the market for stamps will be broad and buoyant to the advantage of all who have to do with them.

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Assigned—We are informed that the suit instituted by Mr. John A. Klemann of New York, against Mr. George H. Grinnell of Los Angeles, California, arising from the sale of certain Hawaiian missionaries, has been placed on the court docket at Los Angeles, California, for May 31st, 1922. This celebrated case has attracted wide-spread attention, involving as it does the considerable amount of sixty-five thousand dollars. After a postponement of the trial from the date set originally, it is likely that the hearing will be begun on the date mentioned. The question of the genuineness of the stamps will be one of the important points for settlement and it is anticipated that the proceedings will be of absorbing interest. It is likely that both parties to the controversy will be armed legally to the teeth and that there will be numerous witnesses. All comment is reserved, of course, in so far as any individual opinions are concerned while the case is in the shadow of the court.

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Advised—A reader writes to say that the reference to the name of Berger-Levrault of Strasbourg, as the publisher of the first list of postage stamps reminds him that M. Berger-Levrault died at Nancy, France, in 1903, he having been born in 1826. Consequently, he was thirty-five years old when he printed by "autographic lithography" his twelve page list of stamps in September, 1861. The third edition of the catalogue, and this time consisting of sixteen pages, was printed from type in June, 1862. François George Berger-Levrault was really an amateur and published his list merely to impart information and give a substance to the pursuit in which he was so deeply interested. In fact, so early as in June, 1863, he published a list of stamps that he wanted to buy; it was printed in English. It was at the close of the '60's when his publishing activities ceased. "I learn that M. Berger-Levrault did not continue his interest in stamps as he grew older but known that he exchanged letters collectors in this country in the e days and Mr. C. H. Mekeel at one corresponded with him. Too recognition cannot be given this worker in the field and I am glad you have referred to him as one work is to be lauded." We are gla say that a copy of this first list re in one of our philatelic libraries in country.

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MAJOR C. S. HAMILTON, Q. M. C.

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THE TORREON SURCHARGE.

By MAJOR CHAS. W. ELLIOTT.

As a Mexican specialist I was much interested in the article by Major Hamilton, printed in your issue of April 15th, on the "Victoria de Torreon" surcharges. I am inclined to doubt the accuracy of Major Hamilton's estimates of the numbers printed of these surcharges, as I believe there to have been more than he indicates. There is no doubt whatever that the stamps were originally issued at Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, and not at Torreon or any other place. They were, however, available for use at any Mexican postoffice controlled by the Constitutionalistas. I have in my collection four superb covers bearing the stamps, one postmarked at Juarez, April 4th, one at Torreon (registered), April 11th, and two from the town of Nacozari, Sonora, postmarked April 10th. All but the Juarez cover bear stamps originally obtained on April 3rd and 4th from the postoffice at Juarez and carried to the other towns and employed to frank letters written on the dates mentioned. In all cases my correspondent (the letters are all addressed to me at Galveston, Texas), took the precaution to add United States postage to the envelopes (2c) as at this time the Transitorio issue of the Constitutionalistas was not recognized by the United States postal authorities as valid and letters entering this country bearing these stamps were supposed to be marked Postage Due.

My four "Victoria de Torreon" covers are stamped as follows:—

Juarez, April 4th—One 2c, one 4c and one 4c without surcharge.

Torreon, April 11th—Two 2c and one 1c (one of the 2c has the apostrophe variety).

Nacozari, April 10th—Three 1c and one 2c.

Nacozari, April 10th—Two 4c and one 2c.

I have also one of the 1c unused. I believe that Major J. R. Jacobs, Infantry, U. S. A., another Mexican specialist, has a number of these surcharges in his collection. They are extremely scarce, especially the used variety. I have never seen any of the higher values. I agree with Major Hamilton that they are much underpriced in Scott and if any one cares to offer them at catalogue prices, I should be glad to do business with him.

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By C. S. WATSON.

I was interested in the article of Maxwell Krause's regarding Shanghai sets. This is one in many that any reliable dealer has a proper bone of contention against. To emphasize Mr. Krause's letter, I have just received from my Shanghai correspondent advice that for some little time these stamps have been off sale and can no longer be purchased in China, because of the rapid rise of the Shanghai currency, or Mexican dollar. Formerly it was the supposition that because of the restrictions against which this stamp was placed on sale, it would be a second Guam set, and I fear some dealers bought accordingly. Out of 165 sets which we have purchased, 150 sets have been turned over at prices around $6.00, and the last consignment which we received, was bought against such a high rate of exchange that our profit was practically nothing. Fortunately, we have no quantity of these on hand so that we are not bound to suffer, but it does seem a funny thing that a set can be purchased in Washington for less than $3.00, when it can not be purchased any longer in Shanghai at a much higher price.

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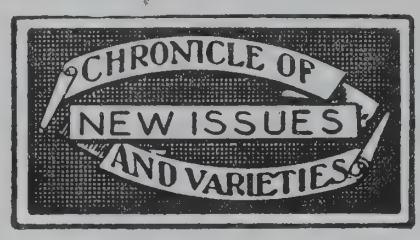

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.
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UNITED STATES.—Paris during the first week in April was the scene of the auction sale of the early portion of the United States stamps from the world famed collection of the late M. Ferrari de la Renotiere. I say "portion" for this small lot certainly does not constitute his entire holdings. While there are present quite a few choice pieces there are many missing that he supposedly had. Few people actually knew what he really owned for during his lifetime he hesitated to show his stamps to anyone resulting in many surmises as to what he really possessed. Those so fortunate as to view any of his treasures saw only certain portions.

From the catalogue of this sale we find illustrated on the entire covers the only known copies of the Boscawen and Lockport postmasters. Judging from their appearance, they are not in very fine condition. He has three copies of the Annapolis and they look so fresh and fine that one is almost led to believe that they were made to order. These copies are not likely to cause the Scott people to change the remarks in their catalogue that "the authenticity of this envelope has not yet been fully established".

In the way of Baltimore Buchanans, he does not begin to compare with the Gibson lot. There are two 5c and one 10c and several envelopes. The 10c is on the cover addressed to the Rev. R. H. Ball and thereby hangs a tale. The Misses Ball, principals of a small school for girls in Washington learned from one of their students that old stamps commanded premiums. Result, a hunt in the garret, the finding of this cover and its sale during the late nineties through Mr. Townsend for $3,000.00. I knew the Misses Ball quite well when I lived in Washington and a few years after this find among the papers of their father, they showed me another cover upon which there was a 10c that had been knawed off by mice with simply a piece of the figure "10" attached to the envelope by the red wafer. Only three copies of this stamp are known, the others being the Crawford copy now in New York and the Worthington copy which was owned by Mr. Gibson.

M. Ferrari had an Alexandria but this was not on the cover. The auction catalogue incorrectly states that only three copies are known, for, as a matter of fact, five are known—four on buff and one on blue. Crawford had one on cover and this is now in New York. Worthington had a buff and a blue on cover and these went to Philadelphia, Frank P. Brown acquired one when he bought the Tiffany holdings and this passed to a Boston collector and the Ferrari copy made five. The last two are off cover, the others on.

The sale included four Brattleboros and a Millbury off cover as well as several New Havens. There were exactly twenty-five St. Louis all off cover, including fourteen 5c, ten 10c and one 20c on gray lilac. As M. Ferrari was a client of the late C. H. Mekeel at the time of the Louisville find, it is supposed that many more fine St. Louis will be sold later. There were less than a dozen 5c New York, including a very fine R. H. M. A sheet and a number of singles, as well as a 5c on cover, made up the Providence postmasters. The later cover, by the way, shows the dated town postmark covering the stamp and cover, a most unusual combination.

The regular issues with few exceptions were rather weak. The most unusual item was possibly the pair of 90c 1860 imperforate. Heretofore there was some doubt as to whether a pair of this variety existed. There was also a pair of the 30c, making three such pairs known to date. There was an entire set of the 1861, August issue, but the 24c was trimmed, the 90c straight edged and some of the others not so fine. One lot, bunched all together contained a 3c, 5c and 30c grilled all over. A 15c 1869, was the only invert. There was illustrated an 1869 15c imperforate, but in this day and age we require a pair to prove anything.

I feel confident that outside of the few choice postmasters that this is simply a forerunner of finer things to come. M. Ferrari was quite partial to blocks and unusual pieces and these are evidently being held for later sale.

Speaking of unusual pieces, Mr. J. M. Bartels tells me that a used block of four of the 1869 24c, with inverted center, was owned by the late William Thorn and that he saw the block on two different occasions. It was supposed to have been in the Crawford collection, but when this was acquired a few years ago by a well known dealer, it was not among those present. It would therefore not be surprising if it should later turn up in the Ferrari collection.

Shanghai Surcharges—I have recently had the opportunity of checking up the shades of the new Shanghai surcharges, distributed through the Philatelic Stamp Agency and taken from the second printing recently despatched to China and find that these stamps can be distinguished from the first printing. The 12c and 50c, however, are really the only two values that differ sufficiently to warrant catalogue recognition. It is difficult to describe colors with sufficient exactness to enable their separation, but one having both issues together will be readily able to distinguish them by the following information.

First Printing.	*Second Printing.*
1c Deep green	Green
2c Lt. carmine	Carmine
3c Bluish purple	Purple
4c Lt. brown	Brown
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10c	Deep or. yel.	Orange ye
12c	Claret brown	Mahogany
15c	Dull gray	Gray
20c	Dull blue	Deep blue
30c	Orange	Yellow ora
50c	Violet	Pinkish vi
$1	Dark maroon	Reddish ma

In the case of the 7c, the shade two printings were the same, b surcharge of the first issue is red that of the second might be des as tending towards an orange Specialist will certainly want bo sues but there is not enough diff to warrant the general collector two sets.

We wish to thank Messrs. A. W. O. G. Whiting, Harry Leonard, Cooper, W. A. Siegrist and B. M. for notes of interest.

AUSTRALIA.—Messrs. Bright & S vise us that they are informed th ½d is to appear in brown, 1½d 2d scarlet and the 4d in ultramari

EGYPT.—The *Bulletin Mensuel* r the 5m rose stamp of 1921 issu charged "O.H.H.S." with the usu tive characters in two lines in blac

IRISH FREE STATE.—Mr. R. R submits to us the 2½d, 4d and 9d s of Great Britain surcharged for this country, but this printing is rather than black as heretofore.

ITALY. *Offices in Turkish Em* The *Bulletin Mensuel* chronicles t of the 1901 set of Italy surch "Piastre 15."

MEXICO.—Mr. Jos. A. Steinmet shown us a copy of a 50c Aerial in use in this territory. The sta oblong in shape and has a blue with a brownish red center. At t are the words "Correos Aereos" the base "50c" in each corner "Mexico" between. The view centre shows two mountains in th tance with a village in the foreg An eagle with outstretched wi just above. The stamps are perf and bear the imprint "Ofiona Ip Hagienda-Mexico."

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AMBIQUE.—The *Bulletin Mensuel* ces that the ½c of the 1913-18 as been overprinted "10 c." and carmine of the same issue has urcharged "2$00" in like manner.

E.—Mr. P. J. Kranz calls atten-a block of 10pf Bavarian stamps rged "Sarre" with five parallel which the overprint is close to) and the lines above the "BAY-

Times for March 20th mentioned e postage stamps of the Sarre are now appearing in new colours, ith their French values incor-in the designs. When first is-welve months ago, these stamps erman denominations, but almost iately it was found necessary to rge them with equivalent values times and francs. Although we led the entire new set last week, *mes* says that only two values in engraved types are as yet on sale, orange and black, and 15c brown. *mp Collecting.*

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By WILLIS M. POTT

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EARLY POSTAL SERVICE IN BARBADOS.

Transcribed from "The History of Barbados" by Sir Robert H. Schomburgk (London, 1848), pp. 188-190, by LOWELL J. RAGATZ.

Public notice was given in September, 1810, that thenceforth a mail would be made up at the General Post Office in London on the second Wednesday of every month, and be forwarded by a packet to Surinam, Berbice and Demerara, to return to Great Britain by Barbados, where she was to remain twenty-four hours, touching afterwards at Martinique.

The benefit of the great invention of our century, the propelling vessels by steam, was extended to the West Indies, and a new postal arrangement in the intercourse between England and the colonies was determined upon in 1834, to the following effect, namely, that on and after January, 1835, a communication would be established every fortnight to and from the West Indies and Falmouth. The mails in consequence were despatched from England on the 3rd and 17th of every month by sailing packets to Barbados, whence they were conveyed by steamer to Jamaica; the sailing-packets calling on their way to St. Thomas at the different islands, and waiting at that harbour for the steamer from Jamaica previous to their return to Falmouth. The steamers *Spitfire* and *Flame*r, with the *Columbia*, then attached to the fleet of the West India station as an auxiliary, were appointed to this service. At that time the passage out and home was calculated as follows:

Sailing packet to Barbados,	31 days
Steam vessel from Barbados to Jamaica, calling at Jacmel,	6 "
Steam remains at Jamaica,	4 "
Steam from Jamaica to St. Thomas,	5 "
Steam from St. Thomas to Falmouth,	31 "

In January, 1842, the Royal Mail Steampacket Company was established, and their splendid vessels, of 1,800 tons and 300 horse-power, commenced the mail service between Southampton and the West India Islands, performing the first voyage, nearly as above mentioned, in about sixty days. The first West India port which they make is, according to the present plan, Barbados, which they reach generally in twenty-one days.

The establishment of an inland post has been agitated for some time, and a number of documents to that effect were laid before the House of Assembly on the 15th of September, 1846, which detailed the plan of establishing an inland post, upon the understanding that a guarantee should be given by the Legislature of the island to protect the Postmaster-General against loss to the revenue. Under this condition the proposition was approved of by the Lord's Commissioners of her Majesty's Treasury on the 1st of April, 1846.

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By FABIAN F. LEVY.

I am pleased to note your items regarding the "cancelled-to-order" stamp. I think that you are right in saying that they cannot be regarded as "used" copies, and certainly they are not "unused"—so just what are they?

At a recent auction sale I purchased a lot of Bahamas, advertised as "used on piece or original cover". I did not see the stamps, and am not interested in stamps on covers, and irrespective of what they would have been, I would have removed them from the piece of cover. Imagine my surprise to find that they were a queen's head (Scott's No. 30) and an Edward (No. 37), on one piece and a queen's head (No. 31), and a George (No. 53) on the other piece. Both were nicely and lightly cancelled at Nassau on the same date in 1921, both cancellations being well centered over each pair of stamps. Furthermore the pieces of paper on which they were pasted were identical in size and quality. It was certainly a disappointment to one who seeks for genuinely cancelled stamps.

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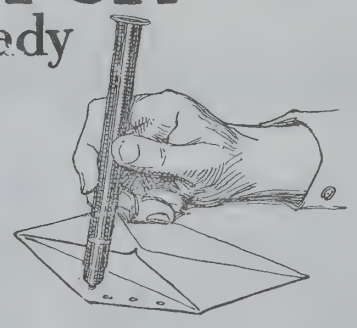

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We recently published our 1921 index and 1920 is in the hands of the printer awaiting use in our columns. We are indebted to A. H. Pike of Buffalo, N. Y., for the great pains he has taken in connection with this work. 1918 and 1919 will be covered by him in the coming months and then our publication will be completely indexed from 1901 to date.

Mr. Pike is planning to have the volume for 1922 indexed December 31, 1922, and is open to suggestions as to the scope of an index for our publication. He has in mind particularly the matter of arrangement. Communications pertinent to the subject may be addressed to Mr. Pike at 80 Grant St., Buffalo, N. Y.

EDUCATION IN STAMPS.

Stimulates Order and Neatness Among Young Collectors.

Postage stamp collecting plays a more important part than many persons recognize in the education of young collectors in habits of neatness and order. In discussing this beneficial phase of philately, Fred J. Melville, one of the best known stamp authorities of Great Britain, says in *The London Telegraph* that many boys who have passed under his observation as keen and intelligent collectors have acquired a love of order and symmetry which was absent from the schoolboys' collections of earlier days. They have cultivated an artistic preference for quality rather than quantity, and he cites the example of a boy scout whose album he was examining a short time ago. Turning over the pages, there was one which was disfigured by a badly damaged stamp.

"The boy saw it and promptly took it out," says Mr. Melville. "It may have been a wrench to reduce his numerical total even by one, but the boy had got the right idea and many a time I have seen a lad of 10 or 12 years turn down a proffered specimen because it was not quite perfect. Such discrimination is worth encouraging, and there are many adult collectors who would do well to acquire an equal preference for the perfect rather than be content with the second-rate specimen."

Mr. Melville takes his text on the habits of order and neatness stimulated by careful philatelic study from the introduction by the Rev. Dr. H. A. James, Principal of St. John's College, Oxford, and late headmaster of Rugby School, in a little handbook on "Stamp Issuing Countries and Their Currencies," lately published in London by Stanley Gibbons. Dr. James is a well-known collector in English philatelic circles and he calls attention to many of the educational values of stamp collecting for young people. Among these is a knowledge of geography.

"I am quite aware," he says, "that a collector, young or old, may not take the trouble to discover where a less-known country is or to find out that Antigua is not in Australia or the Cape Verde Islands in the Mediterranean. But that type of collector will get little or no intellectual gain out of stamp collecting, any more than a student of English literature who could not distinguish between the art of Shakespeare and of Sheridan, of Pope and of Walter Scott, would achieve such from his own province of study. But if the budding philatelist cares to identify on the map the place (say) of the island colonies of Great Britain or France or of the old Balkan kingdoms and their modern successors, he will learn much that is useful, much (for instance) of the rearrangement of Europe as the result of the late war."

His most important conclusion, according to Mr. Melville, is that "the study of philately will teach the value of close and accurate observation; minute distinctions of watermarks, perforation, shade of color, details of design, character of paper, and so forth, make all the differences between the common stamp and a valuable rarity. And the successful search for such differences will be found helpful in many another sphere, perhaps of a more serious kind, such as botany, entomology, and the like Indeed, there are few departments of life in which a trained power of observation is not of greater or less value to the possessor."

Dr. James emphasizes the qualification "intelligent" because the mere accumulation of stamps without some knowledge of the countries of origin, the history, and the differences of detail in the stamps collected, is not philately at all.

One cannot imagine, adds Mr. Melville, that the mere accumulation of old stamps would hold any fascination for the King or for the Lord Chancellor and the thousands of men and women of rank and distinction who find delight in the pursuit of philately.—N. Y. *Times.*

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By H. S. DICKEY.

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When old timers start to comparing notes and talking stamps, the beginner can learn more from them than he can from a dozen books, especially if he keeps his eyes and ears open.

Brooklyn, N. Y., used a blue official seal precancelled down, used by the Chas. Williams Stores. (A fine item).

Two cent Rock, Ark., (up) is another rare stone.

Two cent Jefferson, Iowa, is another rare Iowa; (Iowas never have been common.)

Five cent Morton, Ill., is out in a pretty new fancy type.

Twelve cent Wheaton, S. Dakota (down) is sure a rarity.

Ogdensburg, N. Y., is out in both small and large types. Fine stuff.

Philadelphia, Pa., is now putting a period after Pa., on some of its precancels and those "dots" are sure hard to find.

Ridgeway, Pa., (up) on 9c perf. 10 looks like its O. K.

Eight cent Pine Bluff, Pa., (up) on 1912 issue are real rarities without bluffing a bit.

Nine cent Shamokin, Pa., (up) is another precancel that isn't as much of a sham as the name indicates. It's a "Darb", this is a new word I heard at the show, and I think it means that it's a dandy.

Three cent Torrington, Conn., inverted coils made me sit up and take notice.

Eight cent Rimersburg, Pa., (down) red ink, is one I'll bet Dr. Mitchell hasn't got in his world famous aggregation.

Four cent Westboro, Mass., (down) looks like a good one, as also does the one cent Westfield, Mass.

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Stefansson's occupation of Wrangell island, nominally for Great Britain and actually for Canada, is designed to make good a claim which could never rest on the mere fact of British discovery. It adds another to the many striking instances of the extension of British sovereignty by energetic subjects without the knowledge and even against the will of the colonial office. London cares nothing about Wrangell island, and Ottawa little. New Zealand was saved to Great Britain in 1839, by the spirited colonizer, Edward Gibbon Wakefield, only when the French were on the point of taking possession. In Hawaii in 1794, a council of chiefs asked for British protection, and a naval lieutenant hoisted the British flag, while in 1822, Kamechameha II confirmed the protectorate, but the British government would never acknowledge the acquisition. Tahiti, which leads in the export tonnage of South Sea novels, was discovered by the British in 1767, and a British flag hoisted, while in 1825, Queen Pomare was eager for a British protectorate; but Louis Philippe of France was allowed to take over the island. The Fiji islands all but slipped from the careless British grasp—W. T. Pritchard saved them, to the intense indignation of the colonial office. Australia for years after 1867, labored to effect British annexation of eastern New Guinea, but the British resisted until they found that the Germans had gobbled half.

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By L. H. BRIGHAM.

Every collector has more or less duplicate stamps which he has acquired in some way or other. These stamps are useless, but perhaps there are stamps among them which some collector friend lacks, and he, in turn, may have duplicates which would add to your collection. The thing to do then is to "swap stamps" with these other collectors.

Stamp collecting has no more enjoyable occupation in connection with it than "swapping stamps." The writer, even after twenty-three years of continuous collecting, gets the same enjoyment from "swapping" today as he did when a boy. If you have duplicates that others desire and they have none to give you in return, sell them the stamps they want and become a stamp dealer on a small scale. There is a lot of fun in doing this, too.

Now a word about keeping your duplicates. About as much care should be paid to keeping these properly arranged and in good condition as is paid to keeping your collection. No more discouraging situation can be imagined than to go calling on a collector friend for the purpose of swapping stamps with him and to have him bring out an old shoe or cigar box cram-jammed full of miscellaneous stamps, all mixed up in one grand, glorious lot. When the contents of the box are dumped out upon the table there is a certain fascination about going through a lot like this and seeing what one can find; but, at the same time, it is a most discouraging occupation to have to turn two-thirds of the stamps face side up in order to see what they are.

And then the "junk" mixed in with the rest of the stamps—torn stamps, soiled stamps, stamps still sticking to corners of the envelope, common one- and two-cent United States stamps, etc. All these "undesirables" detract from the appearance of the remaining "decent" stamps to such an extent that one is apt to consider that your duplicates are a sorry looking lot and scarce worth bothering with.

Sort out and throw away all of this "junk" enumerated above; classify your stamps; put the British colonies by themselves; revenue stamps in another envelope. Then, when a collector friend comes to exchange stamps with you, instead of being disappointed with what you have, he will be encouraged to look through the contents of all of these neatly arranged envelopes containing your duplicates.

If you are the possessor of an unusually large lot of exceedingly good duplicates, it is advisable to mount them up by countries or grades in some sort of a blank book or perhaps arrange them on cards or in books made up of a series of "pockets" extending across each page or card, for holding the stamps without hinging them. Either of the methods mentioned above is really the best way of keeping these stamps because: The stamps are then protected from continued handling; there is some attempt at arrangement; one can tell at a glance exactly what you have to exchange, and the stamps themselves are easily transported from place to place by simply slipping the book or cards into one's pocket. It also allows one to mark prices, catalogue numbers, etc., beneath each stamp.—*The Haversack.*

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By F. W. CRANE.

Postage stamp collecting has always been regarded as a genial hobby, excellent for schoolboys as an education in geography and national rulers, provided that hard-working fathers were not asked for too many pennies or nickels to help the youngsters fill their albums with new specimens. But since some collector paid $32,000 for what has long been recognized as the rarest stamp in the world, many of those former school lads, now perhaps helping boys of their own to fill up an album, have been wondering how much richer they might have been had their old collection not been given away or sold for a mere song.

The payment of $32,000 for a postage stamp, which is likely to stand for many years as the record price for a single stamp, is not only the biggest event in the philatelic world, but has had the effect of elevating the former schoolboy hobby to a place equal in dignity as well as financial cost with that of rare books, engravings and even paintings. The coin-collecting hobby has never furnished anything which has brought so high a price. The highest price paid for a coin, according to Thomas L. Elder, was $10,000, paid several years ago in Europe for a unique specimen of a large gold piece struck by Eucratides, ruler of the ancient Asiatic land of Bactria two hundred years or so before Christ. Mr. Elder thinks this coin is now in the Louvre. Unlike the postage stamp, this early coin has a real intrinsic value, as it contains nearly $500 worth of gold, being about the largest gold piece ever coined.

KING OF ENGLAND AS COLLECTOR.

Until the dispersal of the wonderful collection of postage stamps gathered by the late Count Philip von Ferrari, the present King of England held what might be termed the princely rank in philately of having paid the highest price for a stamp. That was in 1904 when, as Prince of Wales, he paid $7,250 for the finest known unused copy of the first Mauritius 2-penny stamp, 1847, with the words "Post Office," on one side of Queen Victoria's head instead of "Post Paid." There is a 1-penny stamp of the same issue which is almost as rare. Of these two types there are known to be about twenty-five or twenty-six copies, but several are in damaged condition.

The stamp which has just produced the philatelic sensation is an 1856 issue of British Guiana, the 1-cent value, black on magenta-colored paper. It has long been acknowledged as the rarest stamp in the world. No other copy of that value has been discovered. From the philatelic standpoint, its value is enhanced by the fact that it was a regular Government issue. For years it has been called the gem of the Ferrari collection. The new owner has the satisfaction of knowing that he possesses something which no other collector will probably ever obtain. The actual sales price was 300,000 francs, but as the French Government exacts a tax of 17½ per cent. on purchases at auction, the successful bidder had to pay 52,500 francs additional. The value of the French franc on the day of sale was 9.1 cents, making the total equivalent in United States money $32,077.50.

This British Guiana stamp was printed by Baum & Dallas of Georgetown, who also published the Official Gazette. In the center of the stamp is a fully rigged sailing ship, produced from the same block from which was printed the vessel at the head of the Shipping Intelligence in the Gazette. Above the ship is the motto, "Damus Petimus," and beneath is another Latin motto, "Que Vicissum." Framing the central design are the words, "British Guiana Postage —One Cent." All of the stamps in this 1856 issue were initialed when used and the unique one-penny copy bears the initials E. D. W. on the face of the design. The best guess made by the most enthusiastic stamp expert prior to the sale was that it might bring as much as $10,000. It was another instance of how greatly values for the rarest postage stamps have outstripped the experts' speculations, for in the first portion of

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the Ferrari sale last June, Fred J. Melville, the leading postage stamp authority in England, estimated that the unique pair of the first British Guiana issue, 1850—the rough-looking circular stamps, would bring 100,000 francs, whereas it sold for 210,000 francs, which with the tax added, made the price at the time equivalent to $19,049. The pair were the 2-cent variety and the fact that they were highly canceled and on the original envelope materially enhanced the value. A wealthy French tobacco manufacturer, M. Burras, was the buyer.

This 2-cent British Guiana stamp ranks high up among the scarcest known postage stamps. All of the circular 1850 issue of that country are scarce. They are of the crudest type, the design being nothing more than an irregular circle, within which are the words, "British Guiana. 2 Cents." Of the other six or eight stamps which dealers place among the rarest philatelic specimens are the 2-Penny blue Mauritius, as previously mentioned, the 2-cent blue Hawaii "Missionary" stamp, 1851, of which the finest known copy brought $14,150 in the Ferrari sale last June, and three or four of the little known Postmaster's stamps of the United States issued in 1846, one year before the first Government issue. Among these are the Postmaster issues of Boscawen, N. H.; Alexandria, Va.; Lockport, N. Y., Baltimore and one or two of the inverted centre stamps of the United States 1869 issue. Of these "error" stamps, a beautiful unused copy of the 15-cent value sold for $4,100 in the Worthington sale in this city in 1917, the highest recorded auction price for a stamp sold in America. An inverted centre of the 30-cent value, unused, sold at the same time for $3,550. For a used copy of the same value, with centre inverted, Colonel E. H. R. Green paid $1,500.

"Missionary" Stamps.

In the brief list mentioned of the rarest stamps in the world, the 2-cent Hawaii of 1851 holds a high place. It is almost unobtainable. In the same set were 5 and 13 cent values. They are more common, but a really good copy is worth fully $1,000. They have been called "Missionary" stamps because practically all of the known copies have come from letters written by the early Sandwich Island missionaries to friends in this country.

If America has lost the rarest stamp in the world in favor of the King of England, or of some other British collector, it is interesting to note that some of the choicest specimens of the early Postmasters' stamps will come back to this country. The second highest price for a single stamp in the recent Ferrari sale was $9,600, paid by Arthur Hind, a wealthy manufacturer of Utica for the only known copy of the Boscawen, N. H., issue. There is no artistic charm in the stamp, as it merely bears the words, "Paid 5 Cents." It is, however, on the original envelope and postmarked at Boscawen. The stamp is printed on bluish paper. It was issued by Worcester Webster, a relative of Daniel Webster. He was the Boscawen Postmaster in 1846. The Government had just fixed a definite letter postage of 5 and 10 cents, but failed to issue stamps until 1847. In the meanwhile, a dozen towns and cities issued stamps by the Postmaster's authority, and as the Government tacitly recognized their postal use, they posssess a genuine standing in philately. This Boscawen stamp was for some years owned by H. E. Deats, a well-known collector of New Jersey.

The Ferrari copy of the Alexandria Postmaster stamp is reported to have been sold for $6,000 to an American collector. This is one of four known copies of the 5-cent value on buff paper. About twenty-five years ago one of these copies was purchased by the State Treasurer of Maryland, Thomas L. Shryock for $800. George H. Worthington of Cleveland, who, before the dispersal of his collection had the finest collection in this country, afterward got it and he also got a second copy, paying about $2,000 for each. One of these Worthington copies is now owned by Albert H. Caspary of this city.

The rarest Alexandria stamp is a 5-cent value on blue paper, of which only one copy is known. It is now in the Henry C. Gibson collection of Philadelphia, and if offered for sale it is believed it would bring $10,000 or more. The history of the stamp is romantic and is thus described by J. M. Bartels of this city, who knew the family who found it and who offered $3,000 for it, but the stamp was sold to Mr. Worthington:

The stamp was found in 1907 by Mrs. Fawcett of Alexandria while looking through some old papers. Mrs. Fawcett was a widow, her husband having been a dentist. The family was one of the oldest in the place. I knew the Fawcetts as I had lived in Alexandria for several years and when she found the stamp she wrote me in Boston about it. Before I could get it, she had sent it to a relative in Philadelphia, a lawyer who had just incorporated a stamp company there and he gave it to the dealer. After I offered $3,000, I believe it was offered to Mr. Worthington for the same price and he took it. The money that Mrs. Fawcett received was very acceptable to her as she was in reduced circumstances. I remember asking her, some time later, if when she discovered the stamp she would have taken $1,500 at once, and she said she surely would. In my estimate of the rarest stamps I would place this blue copy of the 5-cent Alexandria in second place, as $10,000 for it today would be a fairly reasonable price."

The Alexandria stamp was issued by the Postmaster of the time, Daniel Bryan. The design is more artistic than the Boscawen stamp, the figure of value being in the centre of a circular ornamental border and with the words, "Alexandria, Post Office."

There is only one known copy of the Lockport, N. Y., stamp, which was discovered several years ago and sold by the finder for less than $100. Of the Baltimore stamps about a dozen copies of the 5-cent value are known and only four of the 10-cent value. Three copies of these are black on white paper. There is one blue paper copy which is unique and is in the collection formed by the late Henry J. Duveen. One of the three copies is owned by Mr. Caspary, and one was in the recent Ferrari sale. It is a beautiful copy on the original envelope addressed to the Rev. R. H. Ball and was found a few years ago in Washington by his daughters. The late Count Ferrari paid $2,700 for it in 1897. The design is very simple, consisting of a narrow rectangle of faint lines with the signature of the postmaster, James M. Buchanan, written over the printed value.

Other Rare Stamps.

Other rare Postmaster stamps are those of Millbury, Mass., New Haven, Brattleboro, Vt., and the 20-cent issue of St. Louis. New York issued Postmaster stamps in 1846. They were issued by Robert H. Morris, who was Postmaster in 1846 and are of one value, 5 cents. The design is more elaborate than most of these early issues, having a well engraved head of Washington. The color is black. Several thousand were used before the regular Governmental issue in 1847, and as a result they

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In addition to the King of England who has one of the finest collections of Great Britain and British Colonial stamps in the world, the King of Spain is an ardent collector and several years ago while visiting Paris the French Government presented to him a choice collection of old and current French stamps. In this country Colonel E. H. R. Green, Congressman Ernest R. Ackerman of New Jersey, Charles Lathrop Pack, President of the American Forestry Association, Alfred Caspary, a Wall Street broker, Alfred F. Lichtenstein, head of a large dye corporation, and Arthur Hind of Utica have a high standing as discriminating postage stamp collectors.

Colonel Green has a choice lot of United States stamps and he created something of a sensation in 1918 by purchasing for about $20,000 the only known sheet of 24-cent airplane stamps, the first issue in this country, with the centre inverted. There is a story that the sheet was handed out to a buyer at the Washington Post Office, but he turned it back because of the error in the printing. Another man, quicker to appreciate its possible value, bought the sheet and sold it to Colonel Green. The sheet originally contained 100 stamps but has since been cut up, Colonel Green retaining a large portion. Single copies of this error are now quoted at $700 apiece.

Congressman Ackerman makes a specialty of several South American countries and United States. He has a unique collection of the 5 and 10-cent values of the first Government 1847 issue, having 250 to 300 copies bearing different postmarks on original envelopes from as many towns and cities. Mr. Pack limits his collecting to twelve countries. He is said to own the finest collection of Canada and Queensland stamps in this country and of the rare "Sydney views" of New South Wales he has more than 1,200 fine copies, in all the different plate stages. Mr. Lichtenstein has the best collection of the stamps of Switzerland in America.—*N. Y. Times.*

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—H. Schatz withdraws the complaint filed against the Universal Philatelic Exchange. His books have been returned. In writing us Mr. Schatz has the courage to use a picture postcard showing a full set of fifteen U. S. stamps in the original colors. Our subscribers should understand that it is clearly against the U. S. laws to use cards of this kind in their correspondence.

—W. F. Ferguson sends for our inspection a communication received from one who while formerly a collector has now ceased to be interested in philately. His letter to Mr. Ferguson indicates that he is no longer interested and suggests that his name be taken off the mail list. Our correspondent feels that this is a case of courtesy which should be brought to the attention of our readers.

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—In looking over the *Toronto Globe* my eye caught the headline "Stamps." The editor who wrote the article must have been a "stamp fiend" in his boyhood days, and if he wants to return to the game he will find familar names among the stamp dealers of New York and St. Louis, who are still sending out sheets of stamps "on approval." No doubt these dealers are finding many customers among the sons of the fathers, for the acquisitive habit has not died out in this later-day generation. The only difference is that it costs more nowadays to accumulate a representative collection. If only we gray-headed, but juvenile-spirited, stamp hobbyists who have returned to our first love, had only persisted through the years, how happy we could be in finding the penny values had turned to dollars, enabling us to bask in the sunshine and listen to the waves beat upon some smooth sandy shore both winter and summer.—CHAS. H. BALL.

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Chapter III.—*The Continental Print.*

In April, 1873, the Continental Bank Note Company, having been awarded the government contract for supplying postage stamps for the ensuing four years, took over the plates then being used by the National Bank Note Company and began printing.

The designs of the 1870-71 issue being entirely satisfactory, the only change made was to add an identification mark to each of the dies (except the three higher values) so that the Continental product might not be confused with that of its predecessor.

These identification marks, usually called "secret marks", are clear and unmistakable on the 7 cent stamp, consisting of two curved lines at the points where the ball joins the rest of the lightly shaded tablet, in the lower right hand corner. See Figure 2.

Figure 2.

Rates and Uses.—The seven cent rate to Germany, via England, still prevailed and continued effective until the adoption of the uniform Postal Union rate of five cents, July 1, 1875.

In addition, the seven cent rate to Denmark via Bremen and Hamburg, was adopted in 1873, the previous Denmark rates having been ten cents via England and seven cents via Stettin only.

But the use of the 7 cent stamp was by no means confined to these countries and to the Austrian States. Export and import houses, having quantities of the vermilion stamp on hand, found it convenient in making up higher rates, and some of the most interesting examples show the 7 cent used with the 2 cent, 3 cent and 6 cent denominations to make up the 1873-74 rates of ten cents, sixteen cents and twenty cents to France, the ten-cent rate to Switzerland, etc.

Beyond this, the 7 cent stamp in conjunction with the 15 cent was an "easy combination" in making up the twenty-two cent rate to Chile, Peru, Bolivia and Ecuador, and the new twenty-seven cent rate to China, while a cover is occasionally seen making up the postage-plus-registration rate to other foreign points.

While issued primarily for foreign service, however, the 7 cent stamp of the Continental printing was destined to fill an emergency need at home, on domestic mail. This emergency need was the result of a lowering of the registration fee, from fifteen to eight cents in 1874. Prior to that time, the 7 cent stamp was seldom used on domestic mail, except in a strip of three, making the twenty-one cent rate for a registered letter of double weight (fifteen plus six cents). But the new registration fee, eight cents, made the rate on a letter of one-half ounce or less eleven cents, and on a double weight letter fourteen cents. As there was no eight cent stamp, a seven and a one were frequently used with a three, or a seven and a pair of twos were employed, on registered domestic letters that took the single postage rate, while a pair of sevens was the natural combination for the registered double rate letters.

Plate Varieties.—The Continental Bank Note Company took proofs of their "secret mark" die in a wide range of colors, and these proofs on India paper are beautiful examples of the engraver's art.

Joseph P. Ourdan was the name of the engraver who cut the identification marks in the die, and as his name appears in the Continental's records in various places in connection with this stamp, it may be assumed that he also took charge of the transferring of the design to the plate. If this assumption is justified by the facts, Joseph may be credited with having done a very neat job—for the philatelist.

One plate only was made, No. 22, and this number was engraved with the imprint of the Continental Bank Note Company, in four positions on the margins of the plate. The plate was of 200 subjects, like the National plate, but with arrows at top and bottom as a guide in cutting the sheets into two panes.

Many interesting shifts and defects occur in this Continental plate, and a few of the more distinct are illustrated here.

Figure 3.

Figure 3 shows a pronounced doubling of the numeral and letters in "7 CENTS", so plain that even the inexpert shift-hunter cannot fail to see it without a glass. The position of this is 1R,—the first stamp in the top row of the second pane,—and the stamp is therefore always found with a straight edge at left, and usually with a trace of the arrow showing at the top. If perforated all around, as occasionally seen, it is sure to be a reperforated specimen.

Figure 4.

Figure 4 shows another very distinct shift, in the upper part of the lower left ball. In position and effect, it is not entirely unlike the "secret mark", but is on the opposite side of the stamp. It stands out prominently, and once seen is not likely to be again overlooked by one who has it in mind. This stamp is also in the first vertical row of the second pane, but whether in the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh or eighth horizontal row has not been determined at this writing.

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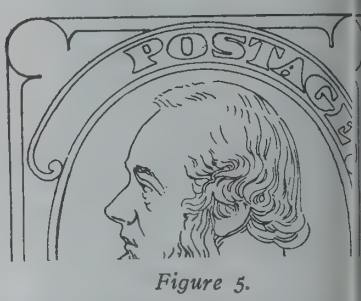

Figure 5.

Figure 5 shows almost an entir sence of shaded background outsid ball in the upper left hand corner ing a "round corner" effect. The directly below this, and another o a different position on the plate, similar characteristics but with the ing extending out a little further b the ball. The exact position of th not definitely known to the writer.

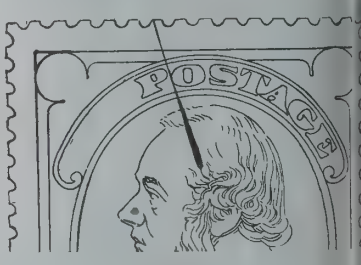

Figure 6.

In Figure 6 we have a variety th hardly be attributed to a slip o transfer roll. This is a scratch, ing well above the top of the desig running diagonally to the right, into the head, where it terminates heavy gash. This stamp is in th row of the left pane, and is eith 2L or 3L. The scratch cannot the be found running into a stamp abo but there are other fairly d "scratch varieties" including one v scratch running from the botto near the left side of the stamp—th ing identified as 9L.

The defect shown in Figure 6 others of similar character, were writer's opinion caused by slips engraver's tools when the plate wa prepared, rather than later acci This is borne out by the fact tha appear not only in the stamps bu in plate proofs taken by the Conti Bank Note Company, though we

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Figure 7.

rge proportion of the 200 subjects Continental plate have a small but not in the white oval frame around dallion, at the left, half way from bottom. On a few, a light line "in a general northerly direction" h this guide dot, the line having th of about 5 millimeters. Figure trates its position. The strongest le of this variety is No. 3R, but it nd also on 8R, 100L, and other ts.

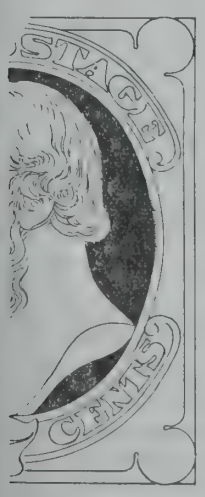

Figure 8.

the other plate varieties, Figure ws one of the most distinct. In art of the shaded lines of the me- project into the white oval frame right. This can hardly be re- as a shift, and is perhaps due to a retouching of the plate after the transfer was made. That some retouching was done by the engraver is indicated by a slightly strengthened and projecting outer frame line, at the lower left corner, which occurs on another stamp on this plate.

(To be continued.)

A NOTABLE EXHIBIT.

(This clipping is from the Waterbury (Conn.) *Republican*. It gives the particulars of a stamp exhibit under the auspices of the Waterbury Stamp Club which opened April 22 and continued through the following week. As an encouragement to other stamp clubs, we think it wise to reprint the article in full. Not only is it well written, but it demonstrates a splendid degree of activity upon the part of local philatelists. Such an exhibit must be of lasting benefit to philately and we congratulate this club upon its enterprise.—W. O. W.)

A letter carried by what was probably the first aerial mail in history is shown at the exhibition opened by the Waterbury Stamp club in Mattatuck hall Saturday. It is a private letter written in Paris by a French officer and sent to a woman friend in London "Par Ballon Monte." It is dated, Paris, September 29, 1870. The time was in the early part of the Franco-Prussian war and the writer in his letter says that the balloon provides the only way by which he can mail his letter.

The letter is written in French but a partial translation is made. The French officer speaks of the enemies as "Bismarck's sweet lambs" and says: "We are out for blood because we have to be." The present attitude of France toward Germany which goes back to that war makes the text of the letter even more than usually interesting at this time. This rare and interesting letter is found in the collection exhibited by Paul Hamilton.

The exhibition of stamps was pronounced by visiting collectors as one of the best ever shown in the state. Much interest was evidenced in the exhibition by the number of visitors present. The collections are beautifully arranged and two members of the stamp club are present at all hours of the exhibition to give any information desired. The exhibition will be open all this week thru Saturday from 2 to 6, and from 7.30 to 9.30 p. m. The committee in charge is composed of Rev. Anthon Gesner, Willis M. Hall, Lamont A. Hall and W. D. Pierson.

The collection of William Pierson, president of the club, includes the remarkable issue of stamps of King Edward VII's reign which show the nude form of a woman with a hat on her head in the face of the monarch. The stamps are shown and the photographed enlargements showing in detail how cleverly the artist put the figure in his work. The discovery of the pictured woman was made by a stamp collector and once discerned is very plainly seen. The woman in the face of the monarch is shown in all the stamps issued by Edward's reign with the exception of those for New Foundland and Canada.

Mr. Pierson's collection includes stamps of Great Britain and colonies, principally of the West Indies, and a complete set of Irish Republic stamps surcharged on current English stamps.

The collection of John P. Elton includes the Waterbury postmarks made famous by the late Postmaster Robert W. Hill. When Hill was postmaster time hung more heavily on the hands of postmasters than it does now and he employed some of his spare minutes in fashioning various designed postmarks out of cork. These included cats, bears, leafs, harps and anything else that his fancy dictated. Finally he used a donkey as the cancelling mark on his stamps. To that time his artistic efforts had gone unnoticed but the donkey caused a communication to be received from Washington suggesting that it was beneath the dignity of the department to use such a cancellation mark.

Mr. Elton has a large number of these cancellation stamps of Mr. Hill's that are now much sought by collectors. His collection also includes United States 19th century stamps, a fine collection of reprints made by the government in 1876, stamps of the British possessions in North America, New Foundland, Canada, Prince Edward Island and British Columbia.

M. R. Taschenberg has on exhibition a fine collection of United States stamped envelopes from the earliest issues up to the present time. They are largely in unused condition and include many freaks in printing.

The collection of C. H. Webster includes curiosities and oddities in United States and foreign countries, their earlier issues of stamps. There is an extensive collection of United States revenue and match and medicine stamps.

E. G. Hart's collection includes stamps of the South American countries.

J. P. Sawyer has a good collection of United States revenue stamps and L. A. Alexander has a collection of United States early reprints and Canadian revenues.

An interesting collection is that of H. C. Upson of letters before postage stamps were in use and postal cards.

R. W. Walker has a collection of United States department stamps and a complete set of unused stamps of the Columbian issue of 1893 and of United States stamps surcharged for use at Shanghai, China.

The collection of F. Jones is of Siamese stamps and that of T. W. Beard of United States aeroplane and recent European issues.

The collection of Rev. Anthon Gesner includes rare old stamps on the original envelopes principally of the United States, Canada and Confederate states.

Willis M. Hall shows a collection of United States 20th century issues. A particularly interesting stamp in his collection is that of an inverted center one cent Pan-American stamp of the issue of 1901. The collection of L. A. Hall includes old British Colonials, United States errors and old original envelopes.

Honorary members exhibiting include H. P. Atherton of Springfield, Mrs. Louise Kellogg of West Hartford, Dr. Bowers of Bridgeport and Olin H. Clark of Hartford. Mr. Atherton's collection includes early issues of United States stamps and the famous two-cent black Jacksons. Mrs. Kellogg shows a rare collection of Rumanian stamps and Dr. Bowers' collection includes rare stamps of the early German states. Patriotic envelopes of the Civil War period are included in the collection of Mr. Clark.

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High—Advices from Paris describing the three days' sale of the third section, of the Ferrari collection, tell of the successful outcome of the great auction sale, whose third day's session included some of the famous postmaster provisionals of the United States. The attendance was so large that officers were requisitioned to prevent the room from being rushed. The sale of the "only" British Guiana stamp which was duly reported in some of our newspapers by cablegram, loaned a piquancy to the sale. We find that the largest price on the third day's sale, when the United States stamps were sold, was 105,000 francs for the Boscawen, N. H., provisional, only one copy of which is known. A Baltimore ten cents on cover brought 60,000 francs and an Alexandria realized the same amount. The Lockport, N. Y., was knocked down for 75,000 francs and the New Haven, used, for 50,000 francs. These prices do not include the 17½% tax that is collected by the government. We remember that over twenty-five years ago, Mr. I. A. Mekeel established the record price for a stamp, by the sale of a Baltimore ten cent on the cover for $4,400. It is well to have definite prices on the Boscawen and Lockport provisionals. Collectors in this country seemed to have difficulty in obtaining catalogues of this sale and it is certain that the distribution of them was much curtailed in this part of the world.

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Hear—We find a dispatch in the Chicago *Tribune* to the effect that a suggestion of interest has been made to the Italian government that it commemorate the Genoa conference by the issue of a million postage stamps of the denomination of one lira. According to the *Tribune's* head-line the Genoa parley "may reward stamp collectors." We suppose that they still strike off medals to celebrate historic happenings but it is certain that postage stamps are now the most favored means that may be taken to loan distinction to an event of moment. Where once collectors were inclined to decry such issues as being "unnecessary" it is now considered something of an honor to have a special issue of stamps mark an occasion that is really worth while.

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Hits—Another writer of a "best seller" gives tone to his story by a touch of philately. Indeed, F. Scott Fitzgerald in his latest work, "The Beautiful and Damned," sends a shaft or two that hits very near the bull's-eye. He speaks of Anthony Patch whose favorite diversion, until he was fourteen years old, was his stamp collection. His store of stamps was large or in the author's words "as nearly exhaustive as a boy's could be—his grandfather considered fatuously that it was teaching him geography." It seems that Anthony continued his correspondence with a half-dozen stamp and coin companies and "new stamp-books or packages of glittering approval sheets" came to him almost by every mail. Like the true collector, Anthony was always occupied seemingly in transferring his stamps from one book to another, and he had scant patience with the one who interrupted his play with stamps. Every month he spent his allowance for stamps, and then at night he liked to lie awake cogitating upon their variety "and many-colored splendor." Mr. Fitzgerald handles the subject with so much finesse that we know that he did not gain his philatelic experiences second-hand and we suppose that the "I knew him whenners" could tell when he was an avid approval sheet fiend up in Minneapolis or wherever it was that he spent some of boyhood's happy hours, as Dulcy would have it. We certainly are pleased that the modern school of writers find it fashionable to dress up stamp collecting in some way or other, in their productions.

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One of the earliest critics in a constructive sense of our postal administrations was one who wrote on postal reform under the initials, "B. B." So early as in 1840 did he begin to draw the deadly parallel between the "inept" and cumbersome methods used by our post office department and the sensible regulations adopted by certain other countries. This leads us to the subject in mind which is to revise the earliest date of the advocacy of the uniform rate of two cents for prepaid postage. We find in *Harper's New Monthly Magazine* for November, 1852, the following evidence on the part of B. B., of broadest vision: "Letter postage should be reduced to a uniform rate of two cents prepaid. This rate has been successfully adopted in Great Britain. It has increased the letters and the income of the post office. It is the revenue point, sufficiently low to encourage the people to write and to send all their letters through the post office; and yet high enough to afford ample revenue to pay the expenses of the department. If this rate is adopted, it will defy all competition for none will attempt to carry letters cheaper than the post office."

When the *Echo de la Timbrologie* announced that it was going to choose by vote of its readers the ten handsomest stamps, we were interested to see if the results would follow the accepted lines and whether our own country would have place in the findings. The contest was restricted to the stamps that were the apple of the eye of the older collectors and the later stamps, such as the one dollar Omaha, two shillings and six pence Falkland, 1898, etc., were not eligible. First place was given to the 1849 Belgium, 10c brown, the first stamp issued by that country. Number two was the four pence blue Cape triangular; three, the five shilling violet, medal type, New South Wales, 1861; four Nova Scotia, ten cents vermilion; and the fifth selection was the U. S. ninety cent of 1869. Greece, Ceylon, Two Sicilies, Queensland and France all were given place. We are somewhat surprised to find that the ten cent vermilion Nova Scotia has supplanted the 12½ cents black Nova Scotia which usually was returned a winner; and the absence of the one penny black of Great Britain will be observed by those who remember former competitions of the kind.

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A correspondent who picks up the gauntlet in favor of the much-abused Neurope issues and makes our contention sound that after all comparatively few attempts are made to brazenly take the collector into camp, ends his defense with the remark that it must not be forgotten that the stamps in almost every case were made for postal purposes, as well as for sale to collectors. He does not see why we should pick on the poor European countries and he asks for more tolerance for these weaker stamps. We have a suspicion that our reader is tilting at wind-mills as there is no concerted movement to ostracize the stamps. On the contrary, these issues are being treated as well as could be expected or better.

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The 25c and 50c values, as we have already observed, were issued as a result of the newly formed Postal Union establishing uniform rates for international correspondence. The former value displaced the 30c and other changes in foreign postal rates made the 8c unnecessary. Consequently both denominations were suppressed and a special order dealing with the matter was distributed to postmasters, viz.:—

"DEPARTMENT OF POSTS.

Concerning the return of the 8 and 30 centimes postage stamps to the Chief Stamp Distributing Office.

March 14th, 1878.

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For the Director-General,
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Until late in 1882, all the stamps were perforated by the Administration with the machine having a gauge of 15 which perforated an entire sheet of 300 stamps at one operation. Then, according to Mr. Westoby, a new machine (or machines) was introduced, which gave a perforation of 14. The new machines were constructed on the comb principle perforating three sides of a stamp at one time, when the sheets were carried forward to receive the next row of perforation. Some of these comb-machines are constructed to perforate the sheets beginning from either top or bottom, while others perforate from the sides. The Belgian machines were of the latter style. The 1c and 2c are both recorded entirely imperforate.

Some of the values were in use for many years, consequently there were a great many printings. Mr. de Bont has compiled some statistics which we give, though we fear they cannot be implicitly relied on as accurate. Of the 1c and 10c we are told there were nine printings, giving a total of 220,200,000 stamps of 1c and 71,190,000 of 10c. But as all these, with the exception of 4,200,000 1c and 690,000 10c, are said to have been perforated 15 either the figures are incorrect or catalogue quotations for the perf. 14 stamps are ridiculously low. There were six printings of the 2c and 20c denominations and the totals of the first five, all perforated 15, are said to be 1,749,000 stamps of 2c and 4,140,000 of 20c. The sixth printing is said to have been very small and there must have been an additional large printing of the 2c, at any rate for this value, perf. 14 is not, according to the cataloguers, much rarer than the perf. 15 variety. The totals of the other values are given as follows:—

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Naturally as the stamps were so long in use and there were so many printings, this issue is prolific in shades. The blues and greens (1c, 2c, 10c and 20c) in particular, provide a number of very striking and distinct shades and even the rare 5fr comes in two marked shades.

For a time experiments were made with fugitive inks which produced stamps in much brighter colors than those printed with ordinary inks. Scott lists five values as "printed in aniline colors" under the date "1881" and perf. 14. But other values besides those given were undoubtedly printed in fugitive colors, notably the 20c and 40c, and as the use of this color commenced in 1881, when the 15 perforating machine was in use and continued for some little time after the new 14 machine was introduced, the Scott description is misleading to say the least of it. In fact, as all the stamps in regular colors are listed as perf. 15, one is lead to infer that the 14 gauge is an invaluable test in identifying the stamps in fugitive colors. But, as stated above, the aniline colors come with both 15 and 14 perforation and in other values than those catalogued. As they are usually hard to distinguish with certainty, and are at best a minor variety of interest only to specialists, they might well be deleted from the catalogue.

How many plates were used we cannot say, but it seems hardly possible, if the figures given by Mr. de Bont are only approximately correct, that the same plates could have been used from start to finish in the case of such denominations as the 1c, 5c and 10c, where such enormous quantities were printed.

The specialist will find numerous varieties of a minor character, such as broken frame lines, flaws, malformed letters, etc. Scott lists some of these, such as S of CENTIMES omitted, CENTIME omitted, CENTIVE and CENTIMF. The two former are evidently due to defective printing and the two latter varieties may also be due to the same cause. It is questionable if their philatelic status is such as to entitle them to catalogue rank, though the well-known BELGIGUE variety in the 1c seems to be of better standing. This was caused by accident to one of the clichés some time during the later printing of this value and it was continued through the changes of color made in 1884. Shortly after that, according to M. Moens, it was corrected. The error occurred on the second stamp of the eleventh horizontal row.

We have seen the 10c and 50c of this issue on what appears to be laid paper and other values are also said to exist. Our own opinion is that it is merely an accidental variety due to some peculiarity of printing for it is pretty certain no really laid paper was ever used by the Belgian government for its postage stamps.

Before concluding this chapter, it will perhaps be of some interest to complete the history of the 5 francs stamp. This value was primarily intended to be used on insured packets but the demand for it was much smaller than had been anticipated. The numbers sold in the ten years it was available for public use being as follows:—

1878	2391	stamps.	1883	8494	stamps.
1879	3286	"	1884	3172	"
1880	3080	"	1885	4733	"
1881	4171	"	1886	4947	"
1882	7937	"	1887	3389	"

None were sold to the public after 1888 but it was used to denote the receipt of money paid to the Post-office, and also for balancing the accounts of Post-offices, when money was paid from the account of the Savings Bank Department. When used in connection with savings bank business the stamps were cancelled by means of a continuous wheel canceller providing the "bar cancellation" listed in the catalogues.

In 1893 certain regulations were amended to such a degree that there was no longer any use for the 5 franc stamp and, also, various post-offices were asked for the stamps from time to time and to save further "annoyance" of this nature the Administration issued a special order suppressing the stamps. It was announced that they would cease to be available for postage after October 31st, 1894, but that any in the hands of the public might be exchanged for other values.

A few months later it was rumored that there was a considerable stock of

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ST. LUCIA

Cat. No.		* Means Unused.	Cat. Price.	Net Price
*11a	1864,	1p gray black	1.25	.75
19	1883,	½p green	2.50	1.25
*30		4p brown, Die B	.50	.25
*33	1886,	1p lilac	.12	.06
*34		3p lilac and green....	.50	.25
*42	1898,	2p ultram. and orange	.25	.12
*47	1902,	3p violet and yellow..	1.00	.50
*48		1sh green and black..	1.00	.60
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	4s blue, No. 14	.04
1872,	1s yellow green	.09
	3s rose	.04
1877,	3ö orange	.22
	20ö orange brown	.06
	60ö dark blue	.08
	2kr rose and maroon	.20
1906,	30ö on 7s red brown	.06
1907,	Die A, 1kr yellow green	.21
	Die A. 2kr rose	.34
1908,	15ö on 4sk violet	.04
1909,	Die B, 2kr rose	.08
1911,	1kr 50ö ult.	.07
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I have recently obtained a few mint pairs and blocks (the available supply) of the current 1c green, imperforated between the horizontal pairs. These will probably be listed as Scott's No. 409b. They are errors similar to the 5c blue (Scott's No. 413a), the 50c lilac (No. 426a) and the 1c surface print (No. 435c), all of which are quite scarce and much sought after.
These must not be confused with those of the 2c and 20c showing blind perforations, for they show no traces whatsoever of perforations. Only a few are available, and specialists in United States stamps should express their interest promptly. It will be recalled that the other 20th Century U. S. errors of perforation are selling today at much more than the price at which they were first offered, and even then, the commonest are practically unobtainable.
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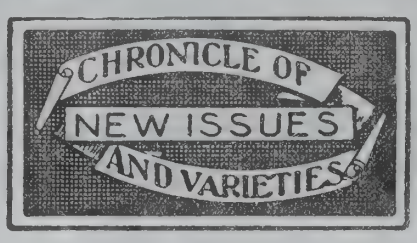

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.
The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Mr. W. A. Langdon has located the current 1c green, perforated 11, on unwatermarked paper perforated by a machine that had one of its wheels loose resulting in one vertical row without perforations. This wheel became loose or moved out of its regular place in such a way that part of the pane shows blind perforations while several of the pairs escape the wheel entirely so that there is not the slightest trace of the wheel even on the gum. Result—a horizontal pair imperforate between. Two other such horizontal pair varieties have occurred, namely the 5c blue Scott's No. 413a and the 1c surface print No. 435c. A vertical pair of the 50c imperforate between is known, Scott listing this as No. 426a. Of the 5c two pairs are known, one being found in New York and the other in the far west. Of the 50c but one pair is known, this having been located in an office around Boston. The 1c surface were found in larger quantities in Detroit. In the case of this last variety, the perforations are missing between the ninth and tenth vertical rows of stamps, hence every pair has a straight edge on the right. It is unknown in any other way.

1922, Unwatermarked, Perforated 11.
1c green, Horizontal pair, Imperf. between.
I have recently come into possession of an 1847 5c orange brown on cover which is of more than passing interest and differs from any that have come to my notice heretofore. The stamp itself is cancelled in blue with four bars within a circle, that is a blue grid cancellation but differing from those so well known and used by a number of cities. The cover bears a blue postmark within a circle reading "NORWICH—WORCESTER. R.R.—Sep 25." The cover is addressed to Hartford, Conn., but as the letter is missing I cannot tell where it originated.
Rarities tempt the counterfeiter and it is not surprising to note that the rarest of all of the provisional 2c on 3c envelopes, the one of which there are fewest known, should come upon the market with a fake overprint. We have to thank Mr. J. M. Bartels for information regarding same. It seems that a person residing in Florida and learning of the rarity of the Daytona variety, being unable to obtain them from the post office attempts to make them by securing a rubber stamp somewhat similar, and applying the surcharge himself. In doing this work, however, he overlooked some of the peculiarities of the genuine which it is just as well not to mention at this time. He even goes further than the Postmaster himself for while the genuine were all die A or H on white he surcharges the Die A, E, F and H on white and the Die A on blue. To begin with this was a fatal error for it is not conceivable that a Post Office of the size of Daytona would have all of these in stock. In addition he offers 500 on blue with the imprint, applied privately and not by the government, of one of the local concerns who state in their letters to Mr. Bartels that they know nothing about them and had none revalued. Experts will be able to distinguish these varieties and it is suggested that whenever these are purchased the purchaser request the dealer to initial the copy. Those handling the genuine have been doing this for sometime for they realized the possibilities of counterfeiting and any of those distributed previous to this time will gladly be initialed for the original purchasers. There were only about a hundred in the genuine find and most all these came from Mr. A. F. Gamber who was in Daytona at the time. I secured practically his entire lot and from an examination it was possible to note certain details which Mr. Bartels explains are missing in the case of this new lot.
The same party offers the 2c postal with a large figure "1" overprint and states that these also are from Daytona. No surcharged postals were made at the time and as the stamp for overprinting the envelopes had been destroyed there will be great difficulty in producing more that will pass muster.
Mr. George P. Smith reports a new Philadelphia overprinted envelope and the Rev. Viggo M. Hansen has found a new variety from San Francisco.

1920-21, 2c on 3c Provisional Envelopes.
Philadelphia Overprint.
Die H on white, Size 10, Wmk. 19, H. B. Ex. Q.
San Francisco Overprint.
Die A on amber, Size 9, Wmk. 20, H. B.

In order to bring our list up to date will offer three different overprinted envelopes for anyone that has not been chronicled.

BECHUANALAND.—Some months ago specimens of the 1d. Union of South Africa postage stamps overprinted "Bechuanaland Protectorate" found their way into this country, and we received a block of 30 from a client who was unable to give us any information about them. We sent a specimen to the Postmaster of Mafeking, who kindly made enquiries, and who writes to us as follows:—
"I beg to inform you that it has been ascertained that the Bechuanaland Protectorate Government obtained a supply of 1d Union of South Africa stamps overprinted 'Bechuanaland Protectorate' to be used as Revenue stamps only. The supply amounted to £6 10 0, and the Bechuanaland Protectorate Government distributed the stamps in question to various Magistrates in different parts of the Protectorate. The supply soon became exhausted and none are now obtainable."—*Whitfield King & Co.'s Bulletin.*

COSTA RICA.—The Metropolitan Stamp Co. submit to us for chronicle the following stamps with new surcharges: No. 260, overprinted for official use has now the added surcharge "10 cts." between the former two lines of overprint; the 1c, 2c, 4c, 5c and 10c of the issue have the surcharge "Cafe Costa Rica" in the centre of what pears to be a coffee bag; the 1c blue overprint, the 2c and 10c of red the 4c and 5c of black. The 15c of 1921 issue has also been surcharge like manner in gold color. The 1c, 50c and 1col stamps of the 1907 i surcharged "Oficial" have been fur overprinted "1921-22". The 25c of same set as above has also received "1921-22" and also "20 cts.".

CYPRUS.—The Economist Stamp report the 1pi on the script waterma paper.

EAST AFRICA AND UGANDA.—The E omist Stamp Co. submit to us for ch icle the 1c black, 10c yellow, 12c and 15c blue on script waterma paper. We also understand the 50 lac and black has been printed on script paper.

EGYPT.—The Economist Stamp submit for chronicle the 2m postage stamp in the type of the 1921 issue in red instead of green as before iss

GERMANY.—The Metropolitan St Co. submit to us a set of six stamps they advise were issued in commem tion of the Munich Industrial These are all of the same type showi shield in the centre within which is likeness of a man with arms stretched and something in each h At the top are the words "Deut Gewerbe Schau Mienchen 1922" in lines and below the shield "Deuts Reich". The word "Mark" is at bottom with the figure of value at side. The values and colors are as lows: 1¼m dull red, 2m purple, scarlet, 4m blue, 10m brown on buff 20m red on buff.
The Economist Stamp Co. call our tention to three stamps that were iss for Philatelic Day in Munich. The green is imperforate with the valu the upper right corner and at the "27 Philatelistentag 1921". The 10p rose shade and perforated while the is blue. Both of the two last values the figures of value in the upper corner and all show views of diffe buildings.

ITALY, *Offices in the Turkish Em* —The Economist Stamp Co. have sh us the 60c red of the type of A49, the overprint "10 Piastre" in two line black at the base of the stamp.

JOHORE.—Mr. R. Roberts has sh us the 1c in violet and grey colors.

JUGO-SLAVIA.—The *Bulletin Men* reports the appearance of a 30pa gree the current type of postage due.

PERU.—Mr. F. N. Costales informs Scott Stamp & Coin Co. that he has discovered the 1c of the last Peru Commemorative set with centre inver The number of the new variety wil 222a of Peru.

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SSIA.—Mr. Karl Koslowski sends pies of two additional values of olshevik Government issue. They 500r bright blue and 22,500 purple uff. Mr. Koslowski adds that the value appears on buff paper as as on white.

RAWAK.—The 3c stamp has been ed in green. Mr. R. Roberts sub- a copy for chronicle.

VINCENT.—Mr. R. Roberts informs at the 2d current stamp is being on the script watermarked paper.

TRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—As in the case rth Borneo, Brunei and Trengganu, s of the current issue have been rly overprinted, and will be sold in sets of 8, 9 and 10 values, at $1, d $4 respectively. The only dif- ce between these and the Borneo sh is that they will be on sale at st Offices in the Straits Settlements ot at the Exhibition only. All un- stamps will be withdrawn on April nd destroyed.

r remarks respecting the Borneo s apply equally to these, and we fore give notice to our New Issue ribers that we shall not import any ese Exhibition labels, nor include in the next edition of our catalogue. *Whitfield King & Co.'s Bulletin.*

DAN.—Mr. R. Roberts sends us a of a 15m in brown and blue of the 1898 type but the stamp is about the size of the former issue. At ame time they send the 2 pia in the inal design in yellow and brown lilac s.

NIDAD & TOBAGO.—Mr. R. Roberts us the 3d blue on the script water- ed paper.

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BELGIUM.

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these 5 franc stamps on hand and that the Belgian post-office intended to sell them at auction in one lot. The rumor was accepted with a good deal of reserve at the time, but in April, 1895, the Government published a lengthy document in which the whole of the remainders, which it turned out amounted to only eight sheets, or 2,400 stamps, were offered for sale by tender. Bids were accepted for the lot or for lots of fifty stamps though no tenders were accepted for a less number than 50. The document is hardly of sufficient interest to quote but it is of interest to observe that "the stamps will be sold just as they are, without any warranty" was one of the conditions of sale. This seems to have worried many would-be bidders for it was feared the stamps might be reprints. The stamps were sold on June 25th, there being comparatively few tenders, which ranged from 200 to 40,000 francs. The latter was not considered as the tenderer was not present in person and the stamps were sold to the next highest bidder, Mr. G. Schildnecht, for 36,000 francs. They, therefore, cost the purchaser 15 francs each.

The total quantity sold to the public from 1878 to 1887 was 45,600, as shown above, which with the 2,400 remainders makes the total of 48,000 said to have been printed. But as those sold would have been used for postage and bear postal cancellations these figures do not, apparently, make provision for the large number that were used officially and were cancelled with bar obliteration. While the above figures have usually been accepted as correct, as well as the statement that there were only two printings of the 5 franc stamps, it is possible that Mr. de Bont's statement of the case may be more accurate. We give his synopsis of the different printings and quantities, viz.:—

"First Printing.—February, 1878. Printed in Belgian ink on thick Chinese paper. 33,000 copies.

Red-brown.

Second Printing.—June, 1878. Printing in inks manufactured by Messrs. De La Rue & Co., of London, on a thinner Chinese paper. 14,700 copies.

Pale red-brown.

The stamps of this printing were only supplied to a few first and second-class post offices. When the stock was used up, stamps of the first and third printings were supplied.

Third printing.—November, 1881. Printed in vegetable ink, giving fugitive colors, on slightly thicker paper. 11,400 copies.

Deep red-brown."

The three shades mentioned can undoubtedly be found and Mr. Westoby announced some years before Mr. de Bont's article appeared that the 5 franc was printed in fugitive color. The total, as given above, is 59,100 stamps, which, if we take the other figures of 48,000 as being correct insofar as they relate to numbers sold over the counter and remainders, would give 11,100 to have been used officially.

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20 centimes blue.
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50 centimes grey.
1 franc lilac.
5 francs red-brown.

(b) Perf. 14 comb-machine.

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2 centimes blue.
5 centimes buff,
10 centimes green.
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(*To be continued.*)

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The 1895, 1898 Trans-Mississippi, 1902, 1903 Louisiana, 1907 Jamestown, the 1908, 1910, 1912 Panama Pacific, the 1914 perforated 10, and the 1917 perforated 11, all these sets come precancelled. Every large city of the country now uses precanceled stamps for third class, printed matter, and for fourth class, parcel post; at Christmas time a great number of smaller places use them during the rush spells, for these efficiency labels save a vast amount of work for the postal clerks. If all intricacies were to be noted, excluding watermarks, we could no doubt safely estimate on fifty thousand possible varieties.

Oh, but you say this field is too large, I would be ridden by my hobby if I were to become a victim to "precancels". But now, remember our statement: precancels are intricate enough to be interesting but they permit organisation to fit the varying whims of the collector.

You live in a community, your town may use precancels, cities near your town use precancels, the large cities in your state use them. In fact, it is very probable that a collection of the precancels from your state (unless it be some of the more western states) would be an interesting little side line by itself. In the first place many of the items, altho very scarce when considered from the viewpoint of the country, are very accessible to you. You have the economic advantage of being near the source of supply. You can gather the precancels that come in from near your vicinity and you have a valuable economic good that can be traded with other collectors.

If you desire to broaden your activities as you obtain the precancels of your own state, you always have the neighboring states, or you might do as one collector did, complete the perforated 11 set as far as it was precanceled by the twenty largest cities in the country.

The Pilgrim tercentenary stamps make an interesting profitable side line, as do the victory and aeroplane stamps. It is an interesting search to complete the offset stamps, the 1c, 2c, and 3c, from the twenty large cities. The 13c stamps, precanceled, make as pretty a display as one could wish. The rotary specialist can search a long time for a page of rotaries precanceled. The perforation collector has his opportunities too.

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Emil J. Rall sends us the following clipping from the *Star and Herald,* published in the Canal Zone. It mentions a very interesting variety of a Panama envelope surcharged "Canal Zone:" A stamp probably the only one of its kind, is in the possession of Lucien Granie of Front street. It is a Panama two-cent stamp printed on an envelope, as is sold at the Canal Zone post offices but the red part has not been printed and all there is is the profile of Balboa and the words "Canal Zone" across.

Mr. Granie purchased a packet of stamped envelopes at the Cristobal post office and discovered one which had not got the red part printed on it.

In order to increase its value and have it postmarked Mr. Granie mailed the envelope to the *Star and Herald* representative on the Atlantic side and now proposes to send it to Scotts of New York for valuation.

It may be worth $1,000.

OUR BOOK REVIEW.

We have received from B. Gordon Bushnell, publisher, the Perf. 11 section of the Standard Precancelled Stamp Catalog. This catalog lists the precancelled stamps of U. S. perforated 11, with the universal type system and other illustrations. The book is dated April, 1922, and the arrangement is copyrighted. The price of the section is 60c, postpaid and it may be obtained from Mr. Bushnell, 2648 Northwestern Ave., Indianapolis, Ind. The publisher of this catalog is entitled to a great deal of credit for the public spirited manner in which he has dignified the collecting of this very interesting side-line of U. S. stamps.

PHILATELIC HUDSON.

By WENDOVER NEEFUS.

I have for years had the fond hope that my native city of Hudson—a little place of but 12,000 inhabitants, yet a city incorporated in 1785—the third in New York State—might have a stamp club. Lack of material for membership has always been the drawback and so my hope was postponed from year to year.

In January last the thought came to me that the material for membership might be developed, if not found. I called to my aid two or three real collectors of high school age and we decided to attempt the formation of a club. Newspaper notices were gladly given by our daily papers, and our first meeting on a Saturday night brought two boys. We decided that perhaps Saturday afternoons would be a better time and notices were again run and our next meeting was attended by nine. These nine decided to form a club, which we determined to call "Columbia County Collectors Club," and the nine became its charter members. Columbia County is a small county with only 45,000 inhabitants, but a county strong in history as Martin Van Buren, President of the United States from 1837 to 1841, and Samuel J. Tilden, who received the greatest number of popular votes in the Presidential election in 1876, but was defeated by Rutherford B. Hayes in the electoral college, were both Columbia County men and actual residents of the county for years.

Our club is not burdened with lengthy by-laws—a hundred words covers the necessity. Its membership is opened to any resident of the County of Columbia of whatever age, and there are no dues. It has the usual officers, but its funds, property and management is placed in the hands of its adult members, who are known as a Board of Advisors. Thus its complete control is in the older members but it is not the policy of the Board of Advisors to exert its powers, except in cases of necessity.

The officers elected are High School boys. During the two months and a half of its existence its membership has increased to 32, only one of whom lives outside of Hudson. Meetings are held weekly at my offices, and a short business meeting is first held in strict accordance with parliamentary rules. After this a short talk of some kind is given, generally illustrated by an exhibit of some kind. The last half-hour of the meeting is given to selling and exchanging among the members.

I am very much gratified with the success that has been attained in this short period of time. The meetings have an average attendance of 15, and are more orderly than I would believe possible with a group of boys from 8 to 18, but most of them are Boy Scouts, which probably accounts for discipline. Tongs are very popular, and pocket stock books and approval cards have replaced the usual tin box and note book. Some of the boys have developed very keen eyes for varieties and unusual things.

A very pleasing proof of the interest of non-collectors in our club was the gift to it of three lots of stamps by persons, who read of its formation. These stamps have been assorted by some of the boys, called an Expert Committee (and they like the term and the rest of the club envies them their privilege). The season has now been closed and each boy given a credit of five cents catalogue value for each meeting attended, which he selected from the assorted gift lots. Proud boys are they who drew 35 or 40 cents catalogue, while some others only got 25 cents. I know it has been an incentive to some boys to attend regularly.

Next October, the club will again open up and all memberships must be renewed. That eliminates a padded membership roll, for many boys pass from our hobby as quickly as they take it up. And the big thing next fall is going to be a public exhibit. Cards six by ten inches are to be mounted and displayed in some store window, and the name of the owner placed on each card. Some boys have already stated that they have two sets they would like to show and I wonder if it is the sets or their names that inspired the suggestion.

I am already working on plans for next winter, as I want to make it an entertaining and useful one for the club. If any club or individual has some material that may be of use to our Hudson Club, I shall be glad to have it and will be personally responsible for its care and return. I have in mind articles that may be read to the club, beginners exhibits that have an instructive nature, or suggestions of games and contests not too far advanced, for much of my material was developed by the members interesting new boys.

If I may be of assistance to any philatelist in a small place who has postponed his club hope from year to year, as I did, I shall be very glad to help to the best of my ability. It takes time and patience, but is our hobby not worth it? Although I am a dealer my work is for the hobby, and the only thing I know that my Hudson boys have against me is that I refuse to sell them any stamps.

I have always been interested in the boys—the men of to-morrow, whom we the men of to-day have a moral duty to start right, whether in our homes as the fathers of our children, or as philatelists with knowledge and experience, as the philatelic fathers of our boy collectors—and the appreciation that these boys express in their interest in the club, in their eager questions and in the manly salutations on the street are over-payment to me for the time expended.

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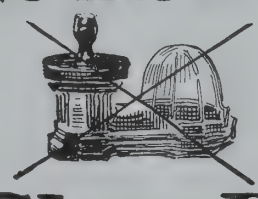

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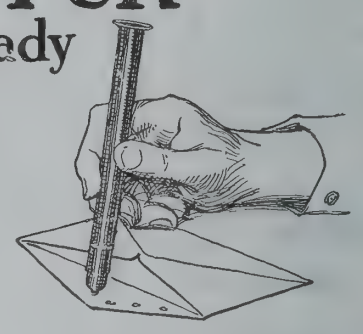

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By FRED. J. MELVILLE.

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A Cosmopolitan Crowd.—The scene at the Hotel Drouot before and throughout the sale was much like the crush at the former sales, only somewhat more congested, and even more cosmopolitan. There was a good sprinkling of American collectors and dealers eager to escort the rarest of the Postmasters' stamps back to the land of their birth.

The Scrimmage.—The excitement throughout was at a high pitch, and the discomfort was even more pronounced than heretofore. To begin with there was inadequate regulation of the queue awaiting admission to the building. There were really two queues, one at each of two doors, and only one door was opened, with tormenting results. A cup-tie final was not in it for the grimness of the determination of the crowds to secure front seats. A sensational criminal trial could scarcely have attracted a more heterogeneous company. The élite of the stamp world jostled with the riff-raff of the Paris slums. About 260 people were jammed in the sale room, and on the ledge at the back—the royal boxes, if you like—was a row of the wildest looking rakes you ever saw. These *ames damnées* were not there to bid. Heaven and the French Government alone know what they were there for.

Comparatively few of those present were bidders, and certainly not more than about thirty were buyers.

Monsieur Lavenir's Protest.—There was an "incident" at the start. Mons. A. Lavenir, the President of the Société Francaise de Timbrologie, got up with Gallic excitement and commenced a speech of protest to the French Government on the way people were being treated at these sales. He complained that distinguished representaives from Great Britain, the United States, and other countries should have to scramble and fight for their seats. From the hearty way in which Mons. Lavenir's protest was applauded by the congested company we may gauge their feelings at the inadequate organization of the accommodation.

British and American Visitors.—Among the British collectors present were A. Leon Adutt, J. P., T. Allen, Anderson, W. Dorning Beckton, W. Houtzamer, Hugo Griebert, C. Nissen, and R. Roberts. Of the Americans there were Alfred F. Lichtenstein, J. Santiago Rachitoff, Edward Stern (of the Economist Stamp Co.), A. H. Caspary, etc.

The Catalogue Descriptions.—There were some criticisms of the descriptions in the catalogue. In a sale of this character, under the auspices of the Government, and where lots cannot be returned after purchase, it is of the utmost importance that the descriptions should be precise, and that defects should be distinctly pointed out. The complaints showed that many of the stamps were defective, though not so described, a notable example being lot 291, a block of 4 1c. black on red British Guiana of 1851, which had a very prominent crease, extending right down the two right-hand stamps.

The Selling of the Solitary Guiana.—The chief interest in the first two days centered in the British Guiana 1 cent stamp of 1856, the only known copy, and a poor-looking thing, rubbed and faded, and with clipped corners. Some weeks ago I hazarded a guess of £8,000 for this stamp, and the estimate was not so far out. The bidding started quite low and for a time it looked as though the stamp was going to be knocked down for something under £2,000. But quite suddenly there started a battle royal between Mons. Burrus, who has already secured some of the greatest gems in the collection, and Mr. Hugo Griebert.

Rival Claimants.—In a succession of rapid counter-bids these two brought the figure up to 300,000 francs, at which figure the auctioneer knocked it down. Then there was a new excitement, for each of the gentlemen claimed that the 300,000 franc bid was his. In England, I suppose, the stamp would have been put up again, but not so in France, and it was a graceful act on the part of Mons. Burrus to withdraw and leave the stamp to the distinguished visitor. Mr. Griebert was acting, it is understood, for Mr. Hind, an American collector.

The Record Price for One Stamp.—The 300,000 francs works out at £6,250, but there was also the 17½ per cent. tax, which the purchaser had to pay, which brings the figure up to £7,343. Presumably there would be commission or other charges, so the purchaser will have paid not far short of my estimate by the time he gets the stamp into his collection. Had there not been the mistake as to whose was the 300,000 franc bid, these two keen contestants might have gone on easily and swiftly to 400,000 francs.

Few Bargains.—Bargains? Yes, there were bargains secured, as there always will be at big stamp auctions. But on this occasion they were few and far between. One English dealer bought a small lot of New South Wales for 325 francs, which contained a very rare watermark variety, easily worth £20. Lot 302 was a wonderfully cheap item also, a very fine copy of the 2d. "Post Paid" Mauritius, première gravure, with the error "PENOE," which was knocked down for 16,000 francs.

High Prices Prevail.—On the other hand, there were many things that were very dear. The mint pair of the 12d. black Canada, laid paper, lot 216 fetched 38,000 francs or, with tax, approximately £910. A strip of three 15c blue Argentine, 1862-63, lot 178, fetched the astonishing figure of 6,000 francs. Taken generally the prices were on the very high side all round.

The Total to Date.—The total of the three days' sale was, with tax, two and three-quarter millions, bringing up the total realised by the Ferrary sales to date to close on 6,600,000 francs, or £137,500.—*Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly.*

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Stamps which have paper or parts of old hinges attached to the back of them should never be placed in an album. If one does not carefully follow this instruction the book soon becomes bulky, due to the fact of there being so many extra thicknesses of paper between the leaves.

The most convenient method of removing paper or other particles adhering to the back of the stamp is to immerse the stamp in slightly warm water. The toughest of paper and the heaviest of gums will soften and loosen up to such an extent that the stamp can be easily removed from the paper if allowed to soak for fifteen or twenty minutes—thirty at the most. The old-fashioned method of "steaming them off the envelope" is long since obsolete, and a slow, tedious process at best.

It is not always advisable to place bi-colored stamps in water, as the colors will ofttimes blur and run, thus spoiling the appearance of the stamp. Such stamps should be "floated" on the surface of the water until the paper loosens. Many bi-colored British Colonial stamps have a tendency to "run." These should be carefully separated from the others when a bunch of them are to be soaked.

Stamps should not be put into water in bunches, because after once touching the water they will stick together in small lots instead of floating around separately. This means that the stamp in the center of each of these little bunches does not get properly moistened, and the paper, as a result, fails to loosen. These stamps should be put into the water one at a time and given a push underneath the surface with one's finger.

Correct drying is a most important item in connection with this operation. A large sheet of blotting paper is the best surface on which to lay stamps which have just been removed from water. Stamps should in every instance be laid flat down upon their faces. The blotting paper holds the stamp perfectly flat because it immediately fastens onto the surface and draws the water from all points in the surface of the stamp at the same time. It is this fact which prevents the stamp from curling when drying, as would be the case if a surface other than a piece of blotting paper were used.

It will be found that some stamps have a certain amount of sticky gum left on the back of them after the paper is removed. It is advisable to remove as much of this as possible before laying the stamp face down to dry. Doing this prevents the stamp's warping, curling, or stiffening when the gum begins to dry again. This surplus gum can be easily removed if the stamp is taken between the thumb and fore-finger before it is taken from the water and the gum gently rubbed off into the water.

Some stamps will curl when drying, even when dried on blotting paper. These can be easily smoothed out by placing them between two thin sheets of clean paper and running a warm flatiron over them. Care should be taken that the iron is not too hot. This operation should never be performed on an unused stamp with gum on the back of it, as the warmth is likely to melt the gum to such an extent that it will stick to the bottom sheet of paper.

If stamps are found which are rather soiled, these can ofttimes be much brightened up in appearance if a small piece of soft cotton cloth is saturated with clean benzine and the surface of the stamp gone over with this preparation. It will do no harm to rub the stamps quite hard in order to remove the soiled spots. It is advisable before using the benzine to soak the stamps in water as this at least loosens the dirt if it does not entirly remove it.—*The Haversack.*

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Several of the leading stamp collectors and dealers said yesterday they believed the King of England was the purchaser of the British Guiana postage stamp which sold for 352,000 francs, or $32,077, at the Ferrari auction in Paris last Thursday. That the stamp has gone to a British collector and would not come to America was the impression among dealers because the successful bid was made by Hugo Griebert. His name is well known among dealers here and abroad. For many years he was one of the leading stamp dealers in London. A nervous breakdown last Fall caused him to retire from business and he sold his valuable stock of stamps to the Stanley Gibbons Company of London, one of the oldest postage stamp firms in the world. Mr. Griebert has been acting as agent for some of the big English collectors, and he made several purchases at the two previous Ferrari sales.

The King of England created somewhat of a sensation several years ago in the philatelic world by purchasing what is said to be the finest copy extant of the rare 2-penny stamp of Mauritius, blue in color, 1848 issue, with the words "Post Office" on the sides of the stamp instead of "Post Paid." Very few of the earlier issue were printed. The copy obtained for the King's collection cost about $7,500, a record price then for one stamp. King George's collection, one of the best in the world, is especially rich in early Great Britain and British colonial issues.

"If the King of England should prove to have been the buyer," said J. M. Bartels of 116 Nassau Street, "he will not only have a gem to add to his British colonials, but will have the satisfaction of knowing that his collection possesses something unique in postage stamps. It is the only copy of the 1856 British Guiana issue of the 1-cent black on magenta ever discovered, and it is the only stamp of any regular Government issue of which only one copy is known.

"The late Count Philip von Ferrari owned the British Guiana stamp more than thirty years. To the best of my recollection, he bought it from an old London stamp firm, Pemberton & Co., for about £50. It has been widely known among philatelists as the gem of the Ferrari collection."

The stamp is not what collectors would term a perfect copy. Its four corners have been clipped slightly, but the design, showing a full-rigged ship with two Latin mottoes, is intact. How greatly the value of rare stamps vary in different copies of the same issue is seen in the fact that the 4-penny stamp of this same 1856 British Guiana set is fairly common, and Mr. Bartels said he recently sold one of that issue for $40.

The name of Colonel E. H. R. Green, son of the late "Hetty" Green, was mentioned as another probable buyer. Colonel Green is one of the most enthusiastic collectors in this country, and it was known that he commissioned an American agent who went to the Paris sale. It was learned that Colonel Green was not after the British Guiana specimen, his interest lying in the United States stamps, of which the Ferrari collection contained choice copies.—*N. Y. Times.*

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BARBUDA OVERPRINTS, 1922.

By HARRY E. HUBER.

Not since 1900 has the list of stamp issuing countries in the British West Indies been added to. In October of that year the Cayman Islands (until then using the stamps of the parent colony, Jamaica) ranged itself with the others by bringing forth ½d and 1d stamps in the commonplace De La Rue keyplate design. The beginning was a small one "to see if the venture would pay," before further sums were spent on duty plates, etc. That the venture did pay, and pay well, the catalogue will witness, and the line engraved series of 1921-22 runs to 14 values, starting modestly with the farthing, and finishing with the 10s.

But the newest member, Barbuda, enters with a series of 14 values, and if population is any judge, with much less reason than the Cayman Islands. At an Extraordinary meeting of the Executive Council of Leeward Islands, held at the Court House, St. John's, Antigua, on Friday, 24th March, 1922, the Governor (Sir Eustace Fiennes, Bart., late Governor of Seychelles) with the advice of his Council, ordered that on and after 1st July, 1922, special stamps should be used in Barbuda—these to be the current series of Leeward Islands stamps overprinted "BARBUDA."

Until now the less-than-a-thousand members of this community have gotten along with two series of postage stamps —i. e., the Presidency issue of Antigua (of which Barbuda is a dependency), and the Leeward Islands Colony series. Mails from the Island are very small, and covers bearing stamps of either series, with the Barbuda cancellation, are not at all common. With the issue of the overprinted stamps, those of Antigua will be retired, but the Leeward Islands unoverprinted stamps will continue on sale concurrently, as in the other presidencies of the Federation.

"Barbuda" has appeared before on postage stamps. On the stamps of Antigua, issued July 3rd, 1903, the seal of the Presidency as shown thereon, bears the inscription, "Edwardus VII, D. G. Britt. Omn. Rex F. D. Ind. Imp. Sigil. Inss. Antiguae et *Barbudae.*"

The island of Barbuda, lying about 25 miles north of Antigua, of which it is a dependency, has an area of 62 square miles. It is of coral formation, and is very flat, its highest point being only 205 ft. above sea level. Reefs surround the island, and strong currents set in to shore, making navigation in these waters very dangerous for sailing craft. There are no streams, but wells furnish a good supply of water.

The growing of Sea Island cotton is the staple industry, and over 90 acres are under cultivation. The cotton is ginned locally. Indian and Guinea corn, beans, peas, cassava, potatoes, etc., are raised, and considerable trade is carried on with Antigua in turtle, dried fish, etc. There is also a Government stock farm to encourage the breeding of horses, mules, sheep, etc., for export.

Barbuda was settled by a party of colonists from St. Kitts, under Sir Thomas Warner. The early settlers were so harassed by the Caribs, that they were forced to leave, but later, they returned. In the 18th century the island was granted to the Codrington family, and was used by them as a shooting estate, and also as a stock farm from which to supply their estates in Antigua with animals. Disagreement with the Government in the closing years of the 19th century led to the seizure of the island by the Governor of the Leeward Islands, and in the subsequent legal proceedings the position of the Governor was sustained.

As a dependency of Antigua, Barbuda is controlled by a staff comprising a manager, an assistant manager, and an overseer. A magistrate visits the island two or three times a year to settle any disputes which may arise among the members of the small community.

Small sailing sloops afford the only means of communication with the other islands—the average time for the passage between Antigua and Barbuda is 5 to 6 hours, but conditions are very often unfavorable.

There is but one town, Codrington, on the east side of a large lagoon, with a population of 900 odd, who are descendants of the slaves introduced by Col. Codrington. "The village consists of wattled huts thatched with palm leaves, with paths between them scarcely wide enough to walk in, so closely are they huddled together. It has been called 'more thoroughly African than any other village in the New World'." The whites in the island number less than a score.

Like many others in the Caribbean the island was the resort of pirates and buccaneers in olden times, and there are yet to be seen the ruins of two old forts, —one at the River Anchorage, with a fine Martello tower, and the other at Spanish Point, at the southeastern extremity of the island.

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CHAPTER II.

Stamps of the British South Africa Company Overprinted "B. C. A."

ISSUE I.—The first issue of postage stamps for the British Central Africa Protectorate was created in 1891, by overprinting the issues of the British South Africa Company with the large Roman capitals B.C.A. The denominations current at the time in the Company's territory of Southern Rhodesia were fourteen in number, 1d, 2d, 4d, 6d, 8d, 1sh, 2sh, 2sh 6d, 5sh, 10sh, £1, £2, £5, £10. The original stamps had been engraved by the London firm of Messrs. Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co., Ltd., in *taille douce* and on thin greyish-white wove paper. The paper has the manufacturers' (William Collins, Sons & Co.) watermark once to the sheet. It consists of a monogram W.C.S. & Co. (the C enclosing the other letters of the monogram), with the word EXTRA to left and STRONG to right. Curved watermarked letters above read PURE LINEN and below WOVE BANK, the whole of the lettering and monogram being in outline characters.

There appear to be slight variations in the sheet watermark. In one variety the number 139 is added below in addition to the marks described above, while in another the words EXTRA STRONG do not appear. The number may have formed part of the watermark in each case, but in one it has possibly been cut away in trimming the sheet. A careful study of the watermark shows variations in the spacing of the letters, particularly the spacing between the letters "W" and "o" of "WOVE".

The paper varies from thin, semi-transparent paper to an opaque paper of medium thickness.

The design of the original stamps (all values) has for its central device the arms of the British South Africa Company:—

Blazon: Gules, the chief semé of bezants, the base semé of ears of wheat, or, a fesse wavy argent between two bulls passant in chief, and an elephant passant in base, all proper: the fesse charged with three galleys, sable.

Crest: A lion guardant passant, or, supporting with its dexter fore-paw an ivory tusk erect, proper.

Supporters: Two springbokken, proper.

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A white arched tablet at the top of the stamp contains the word BRITISH in letters of colour, and a wavy tablet of colour immediately below it contains the white capitals SOUTH AFRICA COMPANY. The value tablet is below the arms design. The whole of the background is composed of horizontal lines of colour. There is a line all round at the extremity of the shading of the background, broken into at the top by the white label containing the word BRITISH. An additional thin outer rule completes the stamps of the values 1d to 10sh. The perforation of these stamps is 14¼.

The inscription of value on the 1d, 6d, 1sh, 2sh, 5sh and 10sh stamps is in words of outline capitals on a bevelled tablet shaded with slanting lines

On the 2d, 4d, 8d there is no tablet inserted, but the value is printed in coloured Roman capitals TWO PENCE, etc., and these three denominations have the value printed in a different colour from the rest of the design.

In the 2sh 6d stamp a bevelled tablet is used, but the ground of the tablet is without any lines of shading and the words TWO SHILLINGS & SIXPENCE appear in coloured sans serif capitals.

The higher values, £1, £2, £5 and £10 have the value tablet similar to the 1d value, but the whole of the design described for the lower values has been enclosed in an additional and ornate scroll work frame, considerably enlarging the size of the stamp.

Messrs. Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co. inform us that the original stamps were only engraved in sheets of sixty stamps, *not*, as has been suggested recently by a writer on the Company's stamps, in sheets of 240. There were no special printings of the original stamps required for the overprinting, and the Company in each case sent back quantities of the already printed stamps to be overprinted. The overprinting was done at frequent intervals between the years 1891-1894.

Stereos were made from type, and, as the engravers state that only one font of type was used, the occurrence of thick and thin lettering which appears to be fairly regular on the printed sheets must have been due to the stereotyping. The complete sheet of 60 was overprinted at one impression in the case of the low values 1d to 10sh; but in the case of the £1, £2, £5, £10 a few were in each case overprinted singly, as also were the £25 and £50 values used for revenue purposes.

The letters B.C.A. are large block capitals 3½mm high, and a period occurs after each letter. There are distinct variations in the thickness of the lettering occurring on the same sheet which are divisible into *thin* and *thick* letters, and there are minor varieties of the stops, which are normally square but occasionally round, and in the seventh stamp on the top row the final stop appears to have joined the right leg of the A.

The stamps were supplied by the British South Africa Company at the request of the Commissioner of the British Central Africa Protectorate, who also administered the Northern Territory belonging to the Company.

The first issue was despatched from London in April, 1891, though we find no chronicle of them in philatelic journals prior to October of that year. With the exception of the 2d, 4d and 8d, the stamps are printed in single colours, and there are but few variations in shades, the 6d having the widest range.

ISSUE II.—In the original series of British South Africa there was no 4sh denomination, and the need of such a value, possibly not alone for postal but also for fiscal use in the Protectorate, brought about the issue of a provisional stamp The words FOUR SHILLINGS, in two lines of heavy sans serif

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capitals, were surcharged in black on the 5sh orange-yellow stamp of the 1891 issue. The measurements of the additional overprint are letters 2½ mm. high, top line 5½ mm. long, bottom line 12 mm. from "S" to "S". The issue of the provisional is ascribed to August, 1892. No varieties of this additional overprint have been noted.

ISSUE III.—This provisional stamp was in use only a few months, being superseded by a regular 4sh stamp almost concurrently with the introduction of a stamp of that denomination in the British South Africa Company's set in 1893. The new regular issue 4sh stamp was similar in every respect to the other values except that the value is impressed on a plain white ground in small coloured block capitals, in a separate colour from the rest of the stamp. The colours were slate for the design and vermilion for the value, and the consignment was forwarded in February, 1893.

ISSUE IV.—A 3sh provisional issue was made in October, 1893, being created by overprinting twenty-three sheets (of sixty stamps) of the newly issued 4s slate and vermilion stamp, with the words THREE SHILLINGS in two lines of elongated sans serif capitals in black. The surcharge measures: letters, 2½ mm. high; top line, 7½ mm. long; bottom line, 12 mm. from "S" to "S". The issue is said to have been limited to twenty-three sheets, making a total issue of 1380 stamps.

ISSUE V.—This stamp was replaced two years later (October, 1895) after the British South Africa Company had in March, 1894, prepared and issued a regular 3s stamp for their other territories, by a regular 3sh overprinted B.C.A. The design and lettering of value was similar to the 4sh, but the colour of the design was light brown, and the value was impressed in green.

ISSUE VI. (*Provisionals*).—In 1895, the stock of one penny stamps having run short, a quantity of the 2d sea-green and vermilion were said to have been permitted by the High Commissioner to be bisected diagonally, and each portion to serve as a stamp of the value of one penny. The permission was given to the postmasters at Blantyre, Chiromo and Zomba, and it is further stated (*London Philatelist*, V., 236) that this was only for a day or two, and that only fifty of these provisionals were used.

At the same time preparations were made for a properly overprinted provisional stamp of one penny value. The order was entrusted, in the first place, to the local printing office at Blantyre, and the 2d sea-green and vermilion stamp was selected for the overprinting of the words ONE PENNY.

According to Mr. Whitfield King, whose information was derived not many months later (July, 1896) from the Postmaster-General, Mr. J. E. McMaster, "the type was set up to surcharge a sheet of 60, the printer having stringent orders to see that the type on every stamp was identical, so that there should be no varieties. Some proofs were struck off on plain paper and submitted for approval, when some few alterations were found necessary. When at last the types were approved the printer was told to get ahead with h printing, but apparently he found putting a sheet of thin gummed perforated stamps into his printing was quite a different thing to puttir a sheet of plain thick paper, consequ ly, the first sheet came out with the charge misplaced, being much too l so that the bar which should have celled the word 'TWOPENCE' w great deal above it. The printer th upon put the sheet in a second time,

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We had a visit recently from Mr. E. Kirby who will be remembered as a stamp dealer several decades ago. Mr. Kirby is now a representative in the Michigan Assembly from Van Buren County, Michigan.

A card has been received from Mr. Harry A. Diamant of St. Louis, announcing his safe arrival in England. No doubt Mr. Diamant will return to attend the Springfield convention pepfull of interesting experiences gathered on his European stamp tour.

Our vibrant contemporary, *Stamp Collecting*, calls the Neurope issues, the Cinderellas of the stamp album and the thought follows that they may be destined to ride in the golden coach.

We have some good things up our sleeve. Several of Mr. Knapp's illustrated Confederate studies are in hand and we shall soon begin to have cartoons frequently subjects by our pet little artist, Irvin, who will set the stands a-going.

The Chicago Philatelic Society, founded 1886, is having the time of its long life and the attendance latterly at meetings has been so large that it has changed Parlor H of the Morrison Hotel to its regular meeting place, on the first and third Thursday of each month. Edd. is Pres.

That *Youth's Companion* article recently on the statistics of stamp issues in general and our own in particular was a real thing and we may well believe that the "American writer on stamps has made available to *The Companion* some interesting facts regarding the issuing of stamps."

The *Philatelic Gossip* has reappeared in twice-a-month form. We urge our subscribers to write for a sample copy at Salton, Kansas, in order that they may get a fair idea of its merits. We are of the opinion that it will prove a valuable asset to philately.

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CHAPTER XII.

The 1883 Issue.

A few years after the issue of the 5 franc stamps of the preceding series a 2 francs denomination was mooted. In October, 1882, the *Timbre-Poste* announced "We are about to have a new stamp of the value of Two Francs, the preparation of which has been confided to the nimble hands of Messrs. De La Rue & Co., of London, for the trifling remuneration of 5,000 francs." While this particular value was never issued De La Rue did provide four new stamps for Belgium shortly after the above announcement and also prepared a die for the 2 francs from which "specimens" were printed. One of these was described in the *Philatelic Record* for January, 1883, as follows:—

"I have seen an imperforate 'specimen' copy of the Two Francs adhesive. The portrait is a profile, to left, closely resembling that on the current stamps. The frame is that of the new Barbados, but letters BELGIQUE above, and DEUX FRANCS below, in white on color. The ornaments in the spandrels are the same as those of the twopence, New Zealand, issued 1874, but are in color on white instead of the reverse. The combination is, I should say, dear at 5,000 francs. The color of the specimen I have seen is as nearly as possible that of the late lamented Venetian-red one penny, De La Rue, of Great Britain."

Although the 2 francs value mentioned above was never issued, four values were produced by De La Rue & Co., as already stated. It appears that the portrait on the preceding set had never been considered altogether satisfactory and as the dies were engraved on wood difficulty was found in making electrotypes from them of the desired clearness. It was also thought that the method of manufacture hardly supplied sufficient safeguards against possible counterfeiting and ultimately a commission was appointed by Mr. Sainctlette, Minister of the Railway, Post and Telegraph services, to suggest something more satisfactory. The findings of this commission practically amounted to nothing more than that steel engraving should be substituted for wood engraving for the dies. Messrs. De La Rue & Co., were approached and entrusted with the preparation of dies for six values—10, 20, 25 and 50 centimes and 1 and 2 francs. According to Mr. Bouvez, this occurred in 1881, and the dies were delivered to the Belgian government on June 1st, 1882. This being so, it is certainly curious that none of the new values made their appearance for more than a year later. On August 29th, 1883, a Royal decree was published announcing "(1) a new type of postage stamp with Our portrait is created for the values of 10 centimes and over; (2) the values and colors of the postage stamps of this type, as well as the date of their issue, will be decided on by the Minister of Public Works; and (3) the present stamps of 10 centimes and over will continue to be used until the existing supply is exhausted". On the same day a Ministerial order was promulgated giving particulars of the values, etc., as quoted below:—

"Art. 1.—The values and colors of the new postage stamps will be as follows:—

10 centimes carmine.
20 centimes bluish grey.
25 centimes blue.
50 centimes violet.
1 franc lilac.
2 francs brown.

Art. 2.—The following colors are adopted for the values of the existing designs below 10 centimes:—

1 centime reseda.
2 centimes yellow.
5 centimes green.

Art. 3.—The new postage stamps and also those that are to be changed in color will be issued on January 1st next."

On October 3rd, 1883, another decree was published stating that the 10 and 20 centimes stamps would be issued on October 20th following and the 25 and 50 centimes on November 1st.

On October 12th, a departmental order was issued to postmasters on the subject of the new stamps and it was stated, among other matters:—

"The first supplies of the new 10, 20, 25 and 50 centimes stamps will be forwarded immediately.

It should be noticed that the new set of postage stamps comprises, among others, a 2 franc value, and also that there are no 40 centimes or 5 franc stamps. Existing stocks of these two values are, however, to be used up."

Finally on December 31st, another decree was issued further postponing the issue of the new 1 and 2 francs stamps until a date "to be determined on later".

The 10 and 20 centimes values were placed on sale on October 20th and the 25 and 50 centimes on November 1st as scheduled by the revised decrees but whether their issue was hurried on account of shortage of stocks of the old types or because the administration wanted to try the effect of the new designs on the public, we cannot say. While the stamps are admirable in their execution so far as workmanship is concerned the portrait of King Leopold was such a caricature that it was evident they would prove a failure.

The portrait is in profile, looking to left, and is the same on all four values. In each instance, it is on a ground of close horizontal lines enclosed within a circular frame for the 10 and 50 centimes and an upright oval one on the other two values. The borders are distinctive for each denomination and on all four the only inscriptions are "BELGIQUE and "POSTES". On the 10c these are above and below the portrait in slightly graded capitals while on small squares in each corner the numerals "10" are shown. On the 20c the inscriptions are also above and below the portrait but are on the oval band enclosing it and the numerals "20" are shown at the sides. On the 25c the numerals are shown on the oval band above and below the portrait while "BELGIQUE" is at left and "POSTES" at right. On the 50c the name is on a straight tablet extending across the top of the design while at the base, on a similar tablet, is "50 POSTES 50". In each instance the spandrels are filled with formal ornamentation.

The dies, as we have already observed, were the work of De La Rue and while Mr. de Bont says the plates were made and the stamps printed by this firm also, other writers all agree that the actual manufacture of the plates and the printing of the stamps took place at the Government Printing Works at Malines. The perforation is of no assistance in settling this point for the Belgium Government and De La Rue were using comb-machines with the same gauge of 14 at this particular period.

The stamps were all printed on unwatermarked paper as before and, owing to the fact that they were so soon withdrawn, it is highly improbable that there was more than one printing of each denomination.

Mr. Bouvez says the numbers printed were as follows:—

10 centimes,	9,000,000	stamps.
20 "	300,000	"
25 "	1,500,000	"
50 "	120,000	"

There are no shades worthy of the name but all four values are known imperforate and regarding these, a footnote in Gibbons' catalogue says, "It is stated that five sheets of each value were issued imperf." There is nothing, however, to indicate they were regularly issued and they are probably proof impressions which some one managed to obtain by favor.

Owing to the fact that the King's portrait was considered so unflattering that he himself raised objections to it and public criticisms were so caustic, steps were at once taken to produce new designs and it was decided not to proceed with the issue of the 1 and 2 franc values. Mr. Bouvez says a number of trial sheets of these stamps were printed and afterwards destroyed, but we hardly think plates were ever made. Essays of the 2 francs printed from the die are known, but if any were ever made of the 1 franc we have been unable to trace news of them.

REFERENCE LIST.

1883. Dies engraved by Messrs. De La Rue & Co., London. Printed in Belgium. No wmk. Perf. 14.

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1905, 6 pence chocolate, No. 11 .... 1.25
1905, 1 shilling orange, No. 12 ... 2.00
***Ceylon** 1888-90, 2 on 4c rose, No. 136 .35
*1892, 3 on 4 cent, No. 145 ..... .12
1912, 5 rupee Geo., pen canc., No. 214 .50
***Chile** 1892, 15 cent dark green, No. 33 .10
1899, 30 cent rose carmine, No. 38.. .20
*1907, 1 cent green, No. 310 ..... .60
***China** 1912, 7 cent maroon, No. 125 ... .08
*1912, $5 gray, No. 172 ..... 4.50
1913-18, $2 blue and black, No. 192 .45
1915-18, Turkestan, ½ to 50 cent, except 7, 8, 15, 16 cent 1.50
Colombia 1920, 50 cent red, No. 366 ... .30
1917, 10 cent deep blue, No. 631 ... .06
*1886, Tolima, 50 cent green, No. 38 .25
***Congo** 1888-94, 5 to 25 cent, Nos. 8-10 .15
*1894, 25 cent orange & black, No. 16 .15
1908, 1 franc carm. & black, No. 37 .15
1908, 5 francs carm. & black, No. 39 .75
Corea 1895, 5 poon green, No. 6 ..... .12
1895, 10 poon blue, No. 7 ..... .10
1903, 3ch orange, No. 42 ..... .15
***Costa Rica** 1881-2, 5c on ½ reale, No. 12 .30
*1881-2, 5 on ½ reale, No. 13 ..... .50
1901-2, 50c Offi., Bar Canc., No. 241 .30
1890, Guanacaste, 5 cent, No. 439 .. .30
***Crete** 1898-9, 10 and 20pa, Nos. 2-5 ... .15
1900, 25 lepta blue, No. 59 ..... .10
1901, 25 lepta blue, No. 66 ..... .10
*1907, 25l blue & black, No. 83 ..... .18
1908, 10 lepta red, No. 88 ..... .15
***Cuba** 1891, 20 cent ultramarine, No. 143 .30
*1910, 50 cent and 1 peso, Nos. 245-6 1.75
1917, 1 peso black, No. 273 ..... .35
*1899, U. S. Dues, surch., Nos. 303-4 .60
*1910, Special Delivery, No. 354 .... .15
***Curacao** 1873, 25c brown orange, No. 5 .25
*1873, 50 cent violet, No. 6 ..... .12
*1886-9, 15 cent olive, No. 9 ..... .35
*1886-9, 30 cent pearl gray, No. 10.. .40
1886-9, 60 cent olive bistre, No. 11.. .50
1895, 2½ on 30 cent gray, No. 26 .... .20
1918, 5 on 12½ cent, rare, No. 62 ... .35
Cyprus 1903, 1 piastre, No. 40 ..... .25
***Czecho** 1919-20, Post in Siberia (104-115) 5.00
Danish W. Indies 1873-96, 5 cent, No. 8 .15
*1900, 5 cent light blue, No. 20 ..... .20
Dutch Indies 1905, 2½ gulden, No. 56.. .40
1908, 1gld dull lilac, No. 78 ..... .18
1912, 1gld lilac on blue, No. 99 .... .45
1912-14, 1 gulden brown, No. 119 .. .15
1918, 30 cent on 1 gulden, No. 125 .. .15
*1882-88, 75 cent carmine, No. 262 .. .30
1908-09, 5, 30, 50, 75 cent, Nos. 267-71 .95
1913-15, 2½ to 20 cent, Nos. 272-6 ... .25
‡**Ecuador** 1872, 1 reale orange, No. 10.. .20
*1904, 50 cent yel. & black, No. 161 3.00
*1902, 1 and 5 sucres, Nos. 151-2 .... .70
1908, 5 cent triangle, the scarce one .15
Egypt 1867, 1pia rose red, No. 13 .... .15
1879-82, 10pa violet, No. 30 ..... .15
*1884, 5pia red, No. 105 ..... .90
‡**Fernando Po** 1900, 50 on 20c, No. 88F 1.00
Fiji Is. 1878-83, 1 shilling, No. 45 .... .25
1891, 4 pence violet, No. 50 ..... .25
1878-83, 6 pence rose, No. 44 ..... .30
‡**Finland** 1918, 5 mark Wasa, No. 104 .. 2.00
France 1900, 5frs blue & buff, No. 122 .12
*1907, China, 2pia on 5frs, No. 864 .75
*1906, Mongtseu, 5 & 10c, Nos. 1519-20 .40
*1914, Morocco, Red Cross, No. 2600 .25
‡**French Congo** 1900, 15c gray, No. 49 1.00
‡**French Oceanica** 1915, Red +, No. 103 .25
‡**French India** 1916, Red Cross, No. 102 1.00
‡**Gambia** 1886-7, 3 pence slate, No. 16 .25
1886-7, 4 pence brown, No. 17 .... .30
German E. Af., ½ penny N. F., No. 201 .50
1916, 1 penny N. F., No. 202 ..... .20
‡**German New Guinea** '97, 3 & 5pf, Nos.1-2 .20
‡**German S. W. Af.** 1897, 25pf or., No. 5 1.50
1897, 50pf brown, No. 6 ..... 1.50
‡**Germany, Thurn & Taxis,** 14 vars. ... .75
*1906-13, China, ½ dollar, No. 453 ... .25
*1905, Morocco, 60c on 50pf, No. 727 .20
*1905, Morocco, 1pes on 80pf, No. 728 .25
*1905, Morocco, 3pes 75c/3m, No. 732 1.25
Great Britain 1880-81, 5p indigo, No. 85 .25
1912-13, 2sh 6 pence brown, No. 173 .15
1916, China, 50 cent green, No. 1011 .18
1916, China, $1 blue & vio., No. 1012 .35
1914-18, Morocco, 2sh 6p, No. 1239.. 1.00
1917-18, Morocco, 1sh bistre, No. 1249 .45
Greece 1896, 40 lepta violet, No. 123 .. .20
*1896, 60 lepta black, No. 124 ..... .22
*1896, 1 drachma blue, No. 125 .... .18
*1896, 2 drachma bistre, No. 126 .... .65
1911, 2dr vermilion, No. 209 ..... .25
*1913, 25 lepta blue & black, No. 224 .12
1916, 1 and 2dr, Nos. 235-6 ..... .25
1917, 1 and 2dr, Nos. 246-7 ..... .30
1913, 2dr gray brown, No. 731 .... .25
Grenada 1892, 2 pence black, No. 302.. .
Guatemala 1911, 5 peso red & blk., No.142 .
***Guinea** 1913, 15 to 200 reis, Nos. 110-13 .
*1913, 15 and 75 reis, Nos. 114-115 .. .
*1921, 3 varieties, Nos. 175-177 ..... .
***Hayti** 1917-19, 1 on 15 cent, No. 276 ... .
*1917-19, 1 on 20 cent, No. 278 ..... .
*1919-20, 2 on 50 cent, No. 289 ..... .
Hejaz 1917-18, 1pa to 1pia, Nos. 8-12.. .
***Honduras** 1890, 1c to 1 peso, Nos. 40-50 .
*1892, 1 cent to 1 peso, Nos. 65-75 .. .
*1898, 1 peso green, No. 110 ..... .
Hong Kong 1912-14, $1 bl.& vio., No.111 .
***Hungary** '14, Charity, 1-5kr, Nos.482-4 .
*1918-20, Airpost, 5 vars. complete.. .
*1905-10, 100f green & black, No. 768 .
Iceland 1902-04, 50 aur, No. 43 ..... .
*1902-03, 16 aur brown, No. 55 ..... .
India 1902-09, 5 rupees, No. 73 ..... .
1902-09, 10 rupees, No. 74 ..... .
1902-09, 15 rupees, No. 75 ..... .
1909, 5 rupees Service, No. 261 .... .
1912-13, 5 rupees Service, No. 278 .. .
***Inhambane** 1914, 50 on 65 reis, No. 47 .
Italy 1910, 10 lire, No. 95 ..... .
*1917-18, 50 cent violet, No. 114 ..... .
*1916, Levant, 20 on 30 on 15, No. 760 .
***Japan** 1906, 1½ and 3 sen, Nos. 111-12 .
1910-15, Military, Nos. 201-3 ..... .
1902-08, China Offices, No. 320 ..... .
1902-08, China Offices, No. 321 ..... .
***Jugo Slavia** 1918, 10h grn. blue, No. 121 .
*1918, Croatia-Slavonia, Nos. 201-2.. .
***Kionga** 1916, Compl. country, Nos. 1-4 .
***Leeward Is.** 1907-11, 3 pence, No. 41 .. .
*1907-11, 6 pence, No. 42 ..... .
*1907-11, 1 shilling, No. 43 ..... .
***Libia** 1921, 30 cent Express, scarce ... .
***Lourenzo-Marques** 1916, 500 and 700 reis, Nos. 154-5 ..... .
***Luxemburg** 1891-93, 2½frs blk., No. 68 .
*1891-3, 5 francs lake, No. 69 ..... .
*1906-08, 87½ cent blue, No. 88 ..... .
1921, 2 francs, No. 121 ..... .

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APTER *IV.—Continental Print (concluded).*

rill.—Whether the 7 cent or any r stamp of the Continental Bank e Company's manufacture was regu- issued with grill is not definitely vn by documentary evidence and is tioned by some authorities. The remains, however, that considerable erimental work was done on grills he Continental Company, new ma- es and equipment being installed for purpose, and Mr. Luff states that ral thousand sheets were unquestion- grilled, his informants having been Treasurer of the concern and the erintendent of the department in h the work was done.

hile listed in the standard catalog nused condition only, and regarded many as essays rather than issued ps, the writer has a used specimen he grilled Continental 7 cent which s the O. K. of so many experts that e seems to be no doubt about the ineness of the grill. A solitary can- d specimen, however, does not by means prove that the Continental d 7 cent stamp was issued, or that it was turned over to the Office Department, for essays proofs of issues of that period, in or less finished condition, came on narket through various channels and ould not be strange if a few copies used for postage.

ie size of the Continental grill is x 9½ millimeters, made up of 10 x 12 of points, and the grill is very ly and distinctly impressed.

unterfeit grills are occasionally seen ie Continental 7 cent, but these are ly the crude and easily detected eries of "sharpers" who were not enough to distinguish between the nal and Continental prints. These terfeit grills are usually more like genuine National grill in size and rance.

per.—In thickness and texture, the inental papers vary more widely those used in the preceding issue. paper has been described by various orities as "thin to medium thick e wove", but the range is greater this description indicates. At one me is a white paper, so thin that it ranslucent and clearly shows the m and color through the stamp. At other extreme is a yellowish paper nusual thickness, opaque, hard, and ely different in appearance from the e paper.

hardness the Continental papers also the gamut, from a crisp white bond ugh various degrees of softness to a r very nearly as soft as that used by American Bank Note Company in and later. This softest paper, how- is not of the same texture as the rican, and a careful comparison re- the difference.

-called "ribbed paper" specimens are sionally offered, but the writer con- s that he does not hold them in high m as collectible varieties. The cor- tions, supposed to be characteristic ibbed paper, are very difficult to t.

uble paper, found in several of the r values of the 1873 issue, is not vn in the 7 cent stamp, and the same ie of the "cog wheel punch" variety, e reason being that these experiments not made until 1877, after the 7 rate was abolished and the stamp ntinued. The 7 cent also evidently ed the "chemical paper" experiments.

rforation.—Some rather careless s was done on the perforating ma- s in the Continental plant. Perfo- l 12, the normal distance between of vertical perforations was 21 meters, yet occasionally these rows spaced only 20 millimeters apart, sometimes as far as 22 or even 23 meters apart. As great a variation ars in the spacing between horizontal s, so that the 7 cent stamp is found a maximum length of 30 millimeters een perforations, though its normal th is only 27 millimeters. These variations in the spacing have not only produced a deplorably high percentage of off-center stamps but have also encouraged the activities of the "imperforate" fiend. Stamps from the vertical row next to the center of the sheet, issued with a straight edge on the side, sometimes have the vertical perforations so far over on the other side that several millimeters of the design of the next stamp is visible,—and by clipping the perforations the faker finds it easy to produce a "part perforate" or "imperforate" variety convincing enough to charm money from the pockets of the credulous. Several values of this issue occur in imperforate and part perforate condition, but no authentic specimens of the 7 cent have been recorded.

Specimens with double perforation at sides, and perforated diagonally across the stamp, are sometimes seen, the latter hard to account for except by the theory that the operator of the perforating machine did his best to encourage the use of bisects.

Gum.—The gum used on the Continental 7 cent varies from brownish yellow to yellowish white, and is on the whole lighter in color than the gum used on the National issue.

Color.—The vermilion ink used in the 1873 issue contained less red and more yellow than the National ink, and the characteristic color is generally known as orange vermilion. There is a fairly wide range of shades, from dark to light, but only one shade that is really distinctive,—a very bright orange vermilion which seems to be the result of a variation in the ink rather than merely an over-inking of the plates. Only about 15,000 impressions were taken from the Continental plate, hardly enough to wear the plate perceptibly, and the beautiful, clear, deep impressions sometimes seen, which contrast so strongly with the average specimen and seem to present a different shade variety, are as likely to have been issued in 1874 or 1875 as earlier. In fact one of the finest specimens that the writer has seen is on a cover dated 1875.

Quantity.—The Continental Bank Note Company printed and delivered to the Post Office Department in 1873, from the beginning of its contract period (early in May) to December 31st, 588,500 7 cent stamps. In the twelve months of 1874 it delivered 1,370,000 7 cent stamps. In 1875, from January 1st to the discontinuance of this denomination, 1,120,000 were delivered.

The records of the Postmaster General, as already noted in connection with the National issue, do not take into account the change in printings. The data available show, however, the following distributions of this value:

Quarter Ending		Quantity
Sept.	30, 1873	229,700
Dec.	31, 1873	231,100
March	31, 1874	413,700
June	30, 1874	351,300
Sept.	30, 1874	349,800
Dec.	31, 1874	425,700
March	31, 1875	415,000
June	30, 1875	381,400

Discontinuance.—A circular issued by the Third Assistant Post Master General on June 21st, 1875, stated; "The changes in foreign postage will render unnecessary the further use of the 7, 12 and 24 cent stamps, and they will accordingly be discontinued. In order to avoid the liability of mistake caused by the near similarity in color between the 2 cent and 10 cent stamp, the former will in future be printed in vermilion, the color of the discontinued 7 cent stamp."

The stock of the discontinued values was ordered to be used up as far as possible, but whether further supplies of the 7 cent were forwarded to post offices is doubtful. The Post Office Department records show that there were 422,600 "remainders" of this stamp, but as far as known do not indicate whether this number was destroyed. It seems fairly safe to assume, however, that after the official notice of discontinuance

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1912 *½d, No. 7 ..... .03
1917, *3d, No. 23 ..... .10
*2½d, No. 24 ..... .10
*½d, No. 28 ..... .02

ABYSSINIA,
1896, *4g, No. 203 ..... .05
*8g, No. 204 ..... .05
*16g, No. 207 ..... .05

ANGOLA
1911, *2½r, No. 88 ..... .02
*5r, No. 89 ..... .02
1912, *2½r, No. 103 ..... .02
*2½r, No. 113 ..... .75
1914, 75r, No. 137 ..... .08
*100r, No. 138 ..... .15

ANTIGUA
1908, ½d, No. 31 ..... .02
*1d, No. 32 ..... .03
*2½d, No. 34 ..... .07
*1sh, No. 35 ..... .32
1911, 2d*, No. 36 ..... .06
*3d, No. 37 ..... .08
*6d, No. 38 ..... .18
1916, *½d, No. 101 ..... .02
*1½d, No. 103 ..... .04

AUSTRALIA
1913, *1d, No. 17 ..... .05
1914, *4d, No. 24 ..... .10

AUSTRIA
1850, 1kr, No. 1 ..... 1.00
2kr, No. 2 ..... .60
1877, *50kr, No. 40 ..... .25
50kr, No. 40 ..... .50
1916, *10k, No. 163 ..... .35
1918, *3k, No. 173 ..... .10
1919, *2k, No. 212 ..... .01
*3k, No. 213 ..... .01
*4k, No. 214 ..... .02
*10k, No. 215 ..... .03
1920, *2½k, No. 227 ..... .02
*5k, No. 228 ..... .02
*7½k, No. 229 ..... .03
*20k, No. 230 ..... .05
*50k, same ..... .10
Aerial Post
1918, *1.50k, No. 375 ... .05
*2.50k, No. 376 ..... .09
*4k, No. 377 ..... .12
Charity
1914, *5(7)h, No. 401 ... .02
*10(12), No. 402 ..... .02
Military Stamps
1915, *1h, No. 472 ..... .01
3h, No. 474 ..... .01
5h, No. 475 ..... .01
*6h, No. 476 ..... .01
12h, No. 478 ..... .02
*30h, No. 481 ..... .02
50h, No. 485 ..... .05
60h, No. 486 ..... .05
*72h, No. 487 ..... .05
1k, No. 488 ..... .35
*3k, No. 490 ..... .15
*10k, No. 492 ..... .50
10h, No. 493 ..... .01
15h, No. 494 ..... .01
80h, No 496 ..... .03
Postage Due
Nos. 673 to 683 ..... .30
Occupation of Italy
1918, *1cor, No, 952 .... .18
*5c, No. 971 ..... .06
*10c, No. 972 ..... .06

AZERBAIJAN
1919, Nos. 1 to 8 .....¼ cat.
No. 9 or 10 .....⅛ cat.

BAHAMAS
1920, *½d, No. 65 ..... .02
*1d, No. 66 ..... .03
*2d, No. 67 ..... .06
*3d, No. 68 ..... .08
*1sh, No. 69 ..... .32
War Tax, No. 308 ..... .03
*3d, No. 312 ..... .09
Charity, No. 202 ..... .04

BARBADOS
1916, *½d, No. 127 ..... .01
*½d, No. 128 ..... .02
*1d, No. 129 ..... .03
*2½d, No. 131 ..... .07
*6d, No. 134 ..... .16
1917, *4d, No. 138 ..... .12
1920, *½d, No. 140 ..... .01
*½d, No. 141 ..... .02
*1d, No. 142 ..... .03
*2d, No. 143 ..... .06
*2½d, No. 144 ..... .07
*3d, No. 145 09
*4d, No. 146 ..... .12
*6d, No. 147 ..... .18
*1sh, No. 148 ..... .32
*2sh, No. 149 ..... .64
*3sh, No. 150 ..... 1.00

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½d* ..... .02
1d* ..... .03
2d* ..... .06
2½d* ..... .08
4d* ..... .11
3d* ..... .06
6d* ..... .16
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1902, *3d, No. 28 ..... .22
1906, *2d, No. 33 ..... .33
1908, *½d, No. 35 ..... .05
*4d, No. 39 ..... .17
1921, *½d, No. 71 ..... .01
*½d, No. 72 ..... .02
*1d, No. 73 ..... .03
*2d, No. 74 ..... .06
*2½d, No. 75 ..... .07
*3d, No. 76 ..... .08
*4d, No. 77 ..... .12
*6d, No. 78 ..... .18
*1sh, No. 79 ..... .32
War Tax, No. 101 ..... .07
No. 102 ..... .03

BOSNIA
1879-94, *1h, No. 11 .... .01
*2h, No. 12 ..... .01
*3h, No. 13 ..... .01
*5h, No. 14 ..... .01
*6h, No. 15 ..... .02
*10h, No. 16 ..... .01
*20h, No. 17 ..... .08
*25h, No. 18 ..... .02
*30h, No. 19 ..... .18
*40h, No. 20 ..... .18
*50h, No. 21 ..... .02
*1k, No. 22 ..... .04
*2k, No. 23 ..... .08
*5k, No. 24 ..... .30
1917, Nos. *123 to 125 .. .05
1918, *126 ..... .03
*127 ..... .03
Charity, 1914
*231, 7h on 5h ..... .02
*232, 12h on 10h ..... .03
*233, 7h on 5h ..... .18
*234, 12h on 10h ..... .01
*235, 7h on 5h ..... .05
*236, 12h on 10h ..... .10
*239, 5h green ..... .05
*240, 10h magenta ..... .03
*241, 10h bistre ..... .02
*242, 15h carmine ..... .03
*245 to 247 ..... .03

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*6d, No. 35 ..... .35
1902, ½d*, No. 43 ..... .14
*1d, No. 44 ..... .14
*½d, No. 50 ..... .05
*1d, No. 51 ..... .07
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*1d, No. 72 ..... .10
1904, *½d, No. 80 ..... .10
1907, *½d, No. 90 ..... .05
*1d, No. 91 ..... .10
*2d, No. 92 ..... .40
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*1½d, No. 66 ..... .65
1904, *½d, No. 77 ..... .20
*2d, No. 80 ..... .20
*5d, No. 84 ..... .60
1907, *½d, No. 90 ..... .03
*1½d, No. 92 ..... .18
*2d, No. 93 ..... .30
*2½d, No. 94 ..... .18
*4d, No. 96 ..... .65
1912, *½d, No. 103 ..... .02
*1d, No. 104 ..... .03
*1½d, No. 105 ..... .04
*2d, No. 106 ..... .06
*2½d, No. 107 ..... .08
*3d, No. 108 ..... .09
*4d, No. 109 ..... .12
*5d, No. 110 ..... .15
*6d, No. 111 ..... .18
*7d, No. 112 ..... .20
*9d, No. 113 ..... .18
*10d, No. 114 ..... .30
*1sh, No. 115 ..... .34

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EDITORIAL.

Come—Still they come. Readers having noticed with approbation, our custom to place on record references to stamp collecting that appear in books, periodicals, newspapers and all other publications, spare no effort to favor us with citations and clippings of the kind. In fact, we are hopelessly involved and we cannot do justice to all of the matter that is sent in to us. We find that no mention has been made of a scholarly contribution to *Science*, the article having been sent in by Professor T. H. Goodspeed of the University of California. As he says: "I do not remember having noticed any reference in a periodical of this sort to stamp collecting." The theme of the study which is by William Drumm Johnston, Jr., Walker Museum, University of Chicago, is: "The Acquisitive Instinct in Children as an Educational Stimulus." We seize at once on the philatelic *piece-de-resistance* of the able disquisition: "Consider now the case of the stamp collector who has outgrown the desire for mere numbers. He considers methods of arrangement other than size or color, considering time and country of greater moment. He associates designs with historical events and the portraits with national heroes. He notices the evolution of symbols and designs appearing on succeeding issues of stamps, as well as the progress made in printing and engraving from the earlier to the more modern representatives. Here is being developed the 'scientific attitude of mind,' the expression of that desire to classify, arrange, and correlate fact. The comparing of concepts, of memory images, the formation of judgments, and reasoning enter into the mental process, while instinct is eclipsed by thought. Such a collection will furnish many lessons in reasoning; for in solving the problems arising in classifications the habit of consistent thinking is materially aided." Here, indeed, is high testimony to the intellectual value of philately.

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Card—Mr. R. H. Eilers writes to speak of a collection of one penny reds of Great Britain that he secured recently, composed of reconstructed plates from 71 to 224. It contains 32,000 positions out of a possible 36,000; and naturally the former owner had to examine millions of the penny reds in order to build it up.

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Cuba—We have come into possession of the following letter addressed to a collector, supposedly, of Hamilton, Ohio, by E. L. Rathbone, Director-General of Posts; the date is September 1, 1899. We read: "These stamps were put on sale on the Island of Cuba this date, Sept. 1, 1899, and are of the first sheets issued." This sheet, showing signs of age, recalls vividly those days so charged with expectancy, immediately preceding the sale of the U. S. stamps surcharged for use in Cuba. The Spanish-American war ended in December, 1898, and the stirrings of pride of possession of a far-flung empire were being felt by Americans. The revenue stamp and other issues occasioned by the war had given a keen edge to philately in this country. It should be mentioned that the collecting of plate-numbers of our issues, beginning with plate one of the two-cent. 1894, Bureau print, had gained wide popularity here and when their collecting store was destined to become increased by the Cuban surcharged stamps in their fascinating aspect, we were all agog with excitement, to quote the resurgent reporter. If our memory is not at fault the enterprising exponent of peppy philately, Mr. Eustace Bertram Power went post-haste to the island and gathered up armfuls of the plate-number strips (three stamps to the strip) of the seven-day wonders. Times change and customs with them and no stamp may monopolize the center of the stage for long time.

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Case—Speaking of change, one may well dwell upon the twilight of the stamp in this country by reason of the advantages possessed by the meter-mail machines. In fact, we find in an issue of the monthly magazine of the City Bank Club an article on the "passing of the stamp." However, it is much too early to talk about the elimination of the postage stamp as it will stick with us for years to come. That its use may become restricted is a conservative prediction but philatelists refuse to show any concern over this prospect. There was a time when the repression of the stamp would have been "viewed with alarm" but now that there are so many stamps to choose from, the collector would perhaps feel a relief if all stamp making were done away with. However, new issues have a tonic effect on our pursuit and we shall not see the day when there is not something new under the philatelic sun. It may not be denied, at that, that postal progress is inimical to the continued growth of the use of the postage stamp. The electric light did not throw gas out of a job and no more will the meter wholly supplant the stamp.

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Call—A reader shows us an envelope that was sent from the National Soldiers' Home, Dayton, Ohio, to a point in Indiana, bearing a six-cent Continental, cancelled in blue, in addition to the postmark in the same color, "National Soldiers Home, 1877," and what evidently is the name of the month but is indecipherable.

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Cast—The Cincinnati Philatelic Society, Branch No. 46, of the American Philatelic Society, nominated a ticket at its meeting of April 26, 1922, when Wm. C. Michaels of Kansas City, Mo., was chosen for the presidency. Nominations for the Board of Vice Presidents were Major J. A. Harris, Jr., W. W. MacLaren and Otto F. Moses, all of Cleveland. The treasuryship was awarded to Howard H. Elliott of Winchenden, Mass.; Dr. H. A. Davis was named as secretary again and Eugene Klein was nominated as international secretary. Mr. Phillips was named, according to custom, as one of the two directors at large. The nomination of Mr. Michaels as president removes automatically, we suppose, the two other gentlemen and Mr. Michaels as the Kansas City candidates for the vice-presidency. Mr. Michaels is an able man and ardent as a philatelist. Mr. Michaels is one of the oldest members of the A. P. S. and the first convention that he attended was that held at St. Louis in 1899. He then hailed from Horton, Kansas, and at this convention he achieved a record for almost unbroken silence. However, as we live, we learn; and at the Milwaukee convention of 1921, Mr. Michaels had a good bit to say that was germane to the subject, as our highfaulutin friends would say. We wonder if the young Michaels who attended the 1889 convention had any idea then that he would once occupy the throne so admirably fitted then by the mighty John K. Tiffany. None of us have "walked with Shelley" but some of us have talked with John Kerr Tiffany, perhaps the greatest of them all.

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It will come as an interesting piece news to the American trade to le that Chas. J. Phillips of Stanley Gibb Ltd., London, is on a visit to the Uni States. As will be seen elsewhere in t issue, Mr. Phillips' stay will be an tended one and during May and June will visit all the philatelic trade cents of the country. He has brought w him a great number of rarities and m tion is particularly made of his Mauriti 1d Post Office. We bespeak for Phillips a hearty welcome to our sho This trip will be one of many that has made to the United States.

DEATH OF WILLIS D. KING.

NASHUA, N. H., May 1—Willis King, aged 63 , for many years known the leading stamp collector in the St and who possessed a rare collection stamps and old coins, died today Memorial Hospital. He was the o son of the late Col. Dana W. King, for years register of deeds of Hillsbo County. He was born in Antrim, most of his life was spent in Nash For years he was a traveling expert credit reporting companies.

He was a 32d degree Mason and member of the Loyal Legion of Bost He was a bachelor. He is survived one sister, Mrs. Winnie K. Judkins Atlantic City, N. J.

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nteresting article on the newly dis-
d type of the 5c, 1890 (MEKEEL'S
r. 22nd, page 211), I got out my
lates of this stamp and examined
nunder the glass. As your editorial
esks for further information, I take
a re in reporting the result.
lot examined consists of 12 hori-
t pairs and 21 singles, all in two
t shades; a brown and a dark
tinged with black. Out of these
mps 5, or 11%, show the lines of
oat cutting the lower left-hand
t frame. These were all taken from
used during the period when this
was in circulation.
proportion found leads me to think
s a common occurrence in this
which for some reason has failed
eive attention, and is probably a
plate variety.
close 3 pairs and 3 singles for your
tion; a dark pair showing the cut
nother dark pair without it. Also,
t pair showing clean-cut lines end-
arply at circle. The 3 single all
the circle cut by the lines. Keep
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WASTING THE TIME OF CONGRESS.

A typical example of waste of time in Congress is revealed in the *Congressional Record* in its official report of the action taken in the Senate on a bill which originated in the House and which has for its purpose the authorization of the use of special cancellation stamps in certain post offices. The bill as reported by the Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads provided:

"That the Postmaster-General be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed, under rules and regulations to be prescribed by him, to permit the use of special canceling stamps as follows: In the Gloucester, Massachusetts, post office, dies bearing the words and figures 'Don't, Miss 300th Anniversary Celebration, Gloucester, Mass., August, 1923.' In the Chicago, Illinois, post office, dies bearing the words and figures 'Chicago Boys' Week, May 19-25, 1922.' In the Sunbury, Pennsylvania, post office, dies bearing the words and figures 'Old Home Week, 150th Birthday, July 1-2-3-4, 1922.' In the Indianapolis, Indiana, post office, dies bearing the words and figures 'Indiana Health Exposition, May 19-27, 1922, Indianapolis, Ind.' In the Chicago, Illinois, post office, dies bearing the words and figures 'International Live Stock Exposition, Chicago, December 2nd to 9th, 1922.' In the Chicago, Illinois, post office, dies bearing the words and figures 'Pageant of Progress Exposition, Chicago, July 29 to August 14, 1922': Provided, That no permit shall be granted for a longer period than six months and the duration of the event to be advertised: Provided further, That nothing in this act shall be construed to authorize the expenditure of any postal funds or appropriation either for the purchase of special canceling stamps or post marking dies or for adapting canceling machines for the use of such stamps or dies or for installing the same, but all expense shall be prepaid by the permittee.

"Section 2. That any permission granted under this act is hereby revoked in the event the Government shall find it expedient or necessary to use special canceling stamps or post marking dies for its own purposes."

When the bill came up Senator Jones of Washington moved to amend it by inserting "In the Tacoma, Washington, post office, dies bearing the words and figures 'See Rainier National Park via Tacoma, season June-September, 1922,'" and Senator Moses of New Hampshire offered an amendment to insert the words "In the Portsmouth, New Hampshire, and the Dover, New Hampshire, post offices, dies bearing the words and figures 'Three Hundreth Anniversary of the first settlements in New Hampshire, 1623-1923.'"

These amendments were adopted by the Senate and the bill was passed. It must now be submitted to the House again. If the Representatives pass it as amended it will go to the President for his signature.

In such transactions the time and thought of Representatives, Senators and President are diverted from the serious business of government to trivial matters which should be wholly within the jurisdiction of an executive department. If Congress wants to have special cancellation stamps used to advertise local celebrations, fairs and festivals it should enact a statute authorizing the Postmaster-General to grant the necessary permission under such restrictions as it may think wise. If there is objection to the practice, it should be prohibited. But for members of Congress to spend their time enacting bills such as that which we quote above entails a useless expenditure of time and energy which should be devoted to the important problems before the national lawmakers.—*N. Y. Herald*, April 19, 1922.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—The Costa Rica with bar cancellations should not be advertised in the WEEKLY on the basis of catalog value. Advertisers will kindly note.

—On April 26 the Philatelic Society of Pittsburgh, Pa., gave a farewell supper in honor of N. A. Georgantis, who will shortly sail for Greece on an extended visit. We are indebted to William Moss, Sec., for a copy of a very novel menu card. There was a large attendance and the "Turn on the hot air" gave opportunity for no fewer than twenty to participate in the post prandial part of the Program.

—The Marks Stamp Co., Toronto, Can., has sent us their Wholesale and Retail Pricelist No. 66. This firm claims to be the largest wholesale and retail firm of stamp dealers in British North America and we know of no one who would dare question this statement. The book before us with its listing of items by the 100 and 1000 is tangible evidence of the extent of the firm's stock. All kinds of accessories are also noticed.

—A mistake has occurred in the pricing of the Newfoundland coronation stamps in the advertisement of the Home of the Postage Stamp, Joseph V. K. Wells, manager. In the WEEKLY of April 29, the price was made $3.50, where in previous issues it had been $3.65. The firm will allow the new price to stand.

—A. H. Pike, Sta. G, Buffalo, N. Y., favors us with the numbers of the *Collectors Digest*, issued in 1922, and we are greatly impressed with the specialistic work that this publication is engaged in. Mr. Pike is greatly interested in philatelic literature and in the indexing of the same. The magazine also covers post markings. Our best suggestion is that if you are interested in this publication and what it stands for, you send for a sample copy.

—Noticing J. W. Sampson's article in this week's MEKEEL'S in reference to the lines across the frame of the 5c, No. 283, I looked over about thirty copies from one of our stock books and found one with about six lines and another with all of them opposite the lines on the shoulder. Here is a chance for Phil Ward to find out if any of the old plates are still on hand and which one shows this, which should be classed as a minor variety.—HARRY B. MASON.

SOMETHING ON HIS MIND.

When a Lime Juicer has something on his mind he writes to *The Times*. Not being a member of that tribe (for nine generations past) I was surprised, though not altogether displeased, at seeing my former letter to you in print. Neither am I a dealer and I never expect to be one despite the tone of the letter. I am a collector, "pure and simple(?)". Being new at this game, information is what was and is sought. I'd like to get your (?) point of view. Why should a black thread on a Swiss No. 40 be worth 20% more than one with a yellow thread which has been made black by the cancellation ink and when you can't find any threads in the first place? Personally, I collect postal adhesives and get a good kick out of it. I would like to collect $50.00 California gold slugs or Texas Gulf Stock but can't afford them. In the meantime I am assembling the greatest collection of real varieties of stamps that catalog 2c and under on the Coast. The dealers have my sympathy but they don't get much of my coin. Most (one exception as per usual) are my friends and I enjoy their acquaintance BUT it seems to me that "Stamp collecting for profit" is a delusion and a snare that permanently hurts a game that I would like to see fostered. Money spent for stamps is not entirely lost and the pleasures are lasting if not built on false hopes.

L. W. WICKES.

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*129	1900, 20 on 25 blue	.15	.08
*130	30 on 40	.25	.15
*132	40 on 2 bistre	.30	.20
133	50 on 40 salmon...	.30	.15
134	1dr on 40 red violet	.50	.30
*140	20 on 25	.25	.12
143	50 on 40	.30	.15
*158	2dr on 5L green...	1.75	1.00
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	5p green & black	.11
	6p lilac & black	.09

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THE 7 CENT VERMILION

(*Continued from page 251*)

on June 21st, 1875, few if any further requisitions for 7 cent stamps would have reached the Department, as public demand must have practically stopped with the adoption of the new five cent rate.

The latest use of the 7 cent known by the writer is December, 1877, and this is not on first-class mail but on a shipment of hardware or machine parts, the stamp being used in conjunction with a 5 cent Taylor and a 2 cent vermilion. Supplies of the 7 cent remaining in the possession of post masters were probably not entirely "digested" for several years after the change of rate, and were worked off gradually to shippers of fourth-class matter as in the example mentioned, or for use in combination with other stamps on registered letters. Several off-cover specimens have been seen, however, with fancy cancellations of a type indicating use in small towns as late as 1885 to 1887. Export and import houses must have had considerable quantities of this stamp left on hand. Since the preceding chapter was written a collector has reported having been presented with a strip of o. g. National sevens, by an old man formerly connected with an importing concern in Philadelphia, and our informant states that the donor remembers having "a drawer full" of these 7 cent stamps, all in strips, in his office for many years after 1875. Whether these mint gems and others of their kind were eventually used on mail, or became the prized possessions of philatelists, we can only conjecture.

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NEW DISCOVERY
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1922, 1c green, Perforated 11.
Horizontal Pair — Imperforated Between
I have recently obtained a few mint pairs and blocks (the available supply) of the current 1c green, imperforated between the horizontal pairs. These will probably be listed as Scott's No. 409b. They are errors similar to the 5c blue (Scott's No. 413a), the 50c lilac (No. 426a) and the 1c surface print (No. 435c), all of which are quite scarce and much sought after.
These must not be confused with those of the 2c and 20c showing blind perforations, for they show no traces whatsoever of perforations. Only a few are available, and specialists in United States stamps should express their interest promptly. It will be recalled that the other 20th Century U. S. errors of perforation are selling today at much more than the price at which they were first offered, and even then, the commonest are practically unobtainable.
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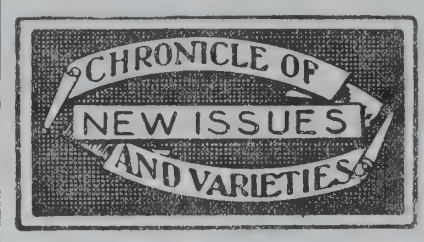

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UNITED STATES.—In a recent Chronicle attention was called to a number of the choice United States items that were going to be sold at the April 7th session of the Ferrari Sale. Mr. Edward Stern who has just returned from Paris kindly sends us early information as to some of the prices realized.

In estimating the prices paid in dollars I have figured the French franc at 9.10 and have added the 17½% tax which is charged by the French Government. The "rara avis" of the United States section was the only known copy of the Boscawen Postmaster Provisional and this stamp which is on the entire cover was purchased for Mr. Arthur Hinds at about $11,225. This same gentlemen, by the way, purchased the famous 1c British Guiana variously said to have been purchased by the King of England, Col. Green and Mr. Caspary. The other unique postmaster, the 5c Lockport on cover brought $8,000. The Alexandria on buff, off cover, one of four copies known and the 10c Baltimore on cover, one of three known, each brought $6,500. This is a great amount, less than two similar stamps are supposed to have recently changed hands in this country. A 5c Baltimore on cover brought $500 and another $430. The 5c envelopes sold from $300 to $375 while an entire 10c Baltimore envelope found a new home at $6,500.

Two fine Brattleboro off cover sold at $800 and $850 and two cut rather close at $225 and $235. A Milbury unused brought $1,800. Two Annapolis sold at $60 and $105 each while a third showing somewhat different postmarks brought $2,800. New Havens sold at $500, $2,100 and $5,000 in accordance with condition. A simple frank of the New Haven postmaster and franks of postmasters of those days are not scarce sold for $200.

A fine 5c Providence on cover with the town postmark hitting the stamp, very unusual indeed, sold at $620 while a mint 10c brought $35. A superb unused vertical pair of the 5c St. Louis on greenish came to New York at $695 while single used copies sold from $60 to $110.00, according to condition. Single copies of the 5c on gray lilac sold from $55 to $80 while a copy on pelure paper moved at $170. A mint 10c on green brought $225, used copies from $60 to $105, while one on gray lilac sold for $110. Two pelure 10c brought $65 and $175 respectively. A 20c on gray lilac cut into at the bottom corner sold for $250.

In the regular issues many fine things were grouped together. For instance the only known pair of the 90c imperf. 1860, Scott's No. 39, was sold with one of three known pairs of the 30c, a single 30c, two single 24c and a 5c 1851 all unused at $8,350. A bisect of the 10c 1847 on piece of cover was sold at $130. A mint 1c August issue of 1861, $900, a 3c at $29, a 5c at $375, a 10c at $100, a 24c with some perfs. trimmed at $112.50, a 30c at $550 and a straight edged 90c at $320, or the entire set without the 12c which is the rarest at about $2,575.

One lot consisting of the 1867 grilled all over 3c mint, the 5c and 30c used, together with other imperfs, and odd grill sold at $1,500. A fine unused 90c 1869 brought $70, while a used 15c invert defective but very fine appearing, $165. A $5 State mint came to this country at $185. Will try and cover some of the rare Confederates in the next Chronicle.

Mr. Sampson in a recent issue of MEKEEL'S calls attention to the 5c issue of 1890, showing the lines of the coat passing through the white surrounding oval at the left bottom. This variety was noted, I think by the Nassau Stamp Company, some time ago. It has always been considered a "double entry" and I think if the sheet is examined carefully it will be noted that if the variety appears more than once each will differ from the other. In other words it will fall into the class with the well known 12c current design from plate No. 6,900. The 10c 1898 with which it is compared is from an entirely new die. Another wonderful "double entry" in these issues is to be found in the case of the 4c 1898 wherein a good portion of the stamp is double.

Mr. George A. Albrecht and Mr. W. A. Langdon call my attention to the fact that they have recently found in their post offices 2c stamps from plates bearing low plate numbers. The only way that I can account for stamps in the 5,000 series coming out at this late day is that either the Bureau has run into some old stock in their vaults at the time of the recent inventory or else with the numerous changes, they have gotten so far back that they have had to fall back on all old plates available.

Mr. J. Hull Wilson informs me that while passing through Frederick, Maryland, recently he called at the Post Office as is his usual custom to learn as to what might be had. He was fortunate in finding that the Postmaster had on hand some of the old 3c green with the 2c Baltimore overprint. He explains that when the 3c stock was sent to Baltimore to be revalued there was included some of the 3c green stamps that had been on hand at Frederick for some years.

1920-1921, 2c on 3c Provisional Overprint.
Baltimore Overprint.
On 3c Green.

Mr. M. H. Ganser calls attention to first class permit mail sent out by the Addressograph Co., much previous to the date of December, 1920, which I gave in my Chronicle of April 22nd as the date of the first metered mail. Mr. Ganser has made the error, like many, of confusing the first class permit mail with metered mail. In the case of the pe a certain number of identical p must be mailed from one place at time and you pay the post office a time you mail the letters. In the ca the metered mail you pay the post so much money and they set your for so many impressions which ma used all at once or as you like. could not have been a metered letter posted previous to December, with official sanction for it was not that month that the Post Office De ment officially authorized its use.

We wish to thank Messrs. Croner and Frank Crumm, Jr., for of interest.

AUSTRALIA.—Mr. R. Roberts sen copies of the 1½d in a russet b color and the 2d in a pale red. Roberts also adds that these exi booklets of twelve stamps.

AUSTRIA.—Mr. Elbert H. Gam sends us the following stamps o latest set, 1kr brown, 2kr light blue lilac, 12½kr olive, 20kr brown, 25kr 50kr old red, 100kr dark green and dark lilac.

BRITISH HONDURAS.—Mr. J. A. braith sends us the 4c grey in the of A13 on script watermarked pape

CZECHO-SLOVAKIA.—Mr. Arthur Wellington calls our attention to a velope that he has just received w cancellation "Piste v Adresach Ulici a Cislo Domu".

GERMANY.—Mr. James L. Howe shown us a cover from Leipsic wit oval cancellation in red. At the are the words "Deutsches Reich" in the centre "'O". This is evident ing used in place of stamps and thi ter was posted on March 17th last.

GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS.—M Roberts advises us that the 2d stamp been issued on script watermarked p

JAPAN.—Mr. T. Hayama sends copy of a new 8s stamp in rose c The stamp is oblong in shape and the usual circle at the top and di beneath is a view of the native mou and below the value. At the right panel with Japanese characters at th with two deer in the foreground.

MALTA.—Mr. Louis Carabott ad us that the "Self-Government" farthing stamps are sold out and Post Office issued on the 15th of the 2d stamp surcharged "One Farth in two lines in black at the top o stamp. They were overprinted in of 240.

MAURITIUS.—Mr. R. Roberts re the 1r on emerald surface paper w pale yellowish back and the 10r em all through.

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IA, *Bolshevik Government.*—Mr. oslowski advises that a 7500r has d in the recently mentioned 250r The color of the new value is Mr. Koslowski also adds that he t received a cover where Scott's 8, 10r of 1917 are used as 10,000 ast noted as such.

HELENA.—Mr. J. A. Galbraith re- he following new colors for this 1d green, 1½d red and 3d blue, he type of A10 for the first two e and A9 for the 3d. The paper t watermarked.

LUCIA.—Mr. J. A. Galbraith ad- e 3d blue on script watermarked

N.—Mr. R. Roberts has submitted for chronicle the 2pia stamp of ge type perforated "SG". Mr. also sends us the following in the new small type: 1m orange ck, 2m brown and orange, 3m nd mauve, 4m brown and green, k and bistre and 10m black and he 3m and 4m of this set have rforated "SG", as have also the 10m.

A.—Mr. Ralph Haskett advises has recently received from a ndent in Beirut the following in addition to the 75c on 15 and 50c mentioned in the Chronicle e ago: 25c on 5c green, 50c on 1pia on 20c, 2pia on 40c, 5pia on pia on 2fr (No. 158), 25pia on hese are all printed in the same the fifth issue. The 25c, 50c, 75c, being in four lines others in nes. Mr. Haskett also adds that ormation comes that the issue of short duration.

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It is our melancholy task to record the death of the doyen of British philatelists, Major Edward B. Evans, at the age of 75.

Nearly forty years ago, it was written that "the stamp-collector to whom the name of E. B. Evans is unfamiliar is not only himself unknown, but can hardly have skirted the fascinating science, in the pursuit of which so many of us are already turning grey."

Major Evans was born on November 3rd, 1846, and started to collect stamps while at Uppingham Grammar School, in 1861. He left there in 1862, the proud possessor of the best collection in the school. There is a note of his first contribution to a philatelic journal winning him a prize about 1864. He received a commisson in the Royal Artillery in 1867, and was sent to Malta, where he met Lieutenant J. Speranza, R. M. F. Artillery, one of the founders of the Philatelic Society, London.

Later, while stationed at Plymouth in 1873, he made the acquaintance of Mr. E. Stanley Gibbons who founded his business in that town, and also of Edward Loines Pemberton, who then resided at Torquay. Referring to this period the Major said it was then "I *began* to understand how stamps should be collected."

In 1876 he exchanged into a battery ordered to Mauritius, and formed a collection and searched the archives there for information of the stamps of that philatelically famous island. It is to his researches that we owe our very full knowledge of the history of these issues. His paper on the subject contributed to the Philatelic Congress at Paris 1876 received the highest prize awarded by the French Society, and drew the high praise of Dr. Legrand, who wrote:

"Amateurs cannot but be under an obligation to the French Society for having rewarded the efforts made by Captain Evans to solve their difficulties. He has shown philatelists how the materials wherewith to prosecute their science ought to be collected."

During a long interval of service in Ireland he compiled the first detailed catalogue of postage stamps in the English language, and this was published by Pemberton, Wilson & Co., in 1882. He went to Bermuda in 1885, and added to his brilliant services to Philately by research work there.

In 1875 he joined the Philatelic Society, and was the senior member of the "Royal."

His retirement from the Army in 1890 left him the leisure to devote much of his time to philatelic work. Messrs. Stanley Gibbons, Ltd., then newly incorporated as a Limited Liability Company, had just started their *Monthly Journal,* and offered Major Evans the editorship, which he accepted, and the first issue under his direction (Vol. I. No. 3) appeared in September, 1890. He continued to edit the *Monthly Journal* with high distinction until the close of its career in 1914, thus editing all but two of its 259 numbers.

He wrote a vast amount in the *Monthly Journal,* and several of his contributions, notably on the Mulready Envelope and its Caricatures, and his justly famous "glossary" were published in book form. Difficulty or complexity did not deter his philatelic zeal, and his studies of the stamps of the Native States of India are remarkable examples of his thoroughness and great capacity as a philatelic student. It was his capable hand that translated Dr. Diena's fine work on Sicily.

During most of this time from 1890 until the end of the war he was resident in Sydenham, and it was the good fortune of many of us to meet him—and to meet him was to get to love him. A little man with a big heart, the Major had a thorough enthusiasm for stamps, and was ever-ready to go into any problem philatelists took to him. He endeared himself to all who knew him by his unfailing geniality and the heartiness with which he assisted every enterprise that sought to promote the best interests of Philately.

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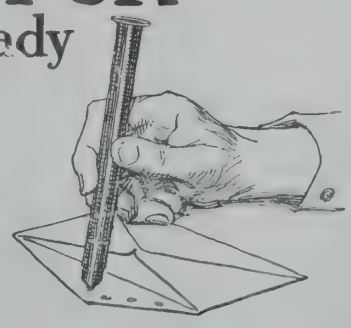

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GAL 1921, 30c brown ..... .12
GAL 1921, 36c red ..... .13
GAL 1921, 50c yellow ..... .14
GAL 1921, 60c blue ..... .12
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5f, No. 1334* ..... .12
20f, No. 1335* ..... .60
40f, No. 1336* ..... .35
1k, No. 1337* ..... .28
3k, No. 1338* ..... .85
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50f, No. 1343* ..... .38
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20k blue & red, No. 39* ..... .10
25k green & violet, No. 40* ..... .12
35k brown & green, No. 41* ..... .15
50k violet & green, No. 52* ..... .15
5r blue & green, No. 46, * or used 1.00
7r green & pink, No. 47* 1.10
10r scarlet & gray, No. 48* 1.20
70k brown & orange, No. 56* ..... .18
3½r maroon & green, No. 58 ..... .75
50k violet & green, No. 73* ..... .22
3½r maroon & green, No. 104* ..... .70
60k on 1k, No. 111* ..... .25
5r on 4k, No. 132* ..... .20
5r on 10k, No. 136* ..... .15
5r on 15k, No. 137* ..... .17
5r on 20k, No. 138* ..... .20
10r on 25k, No. 139* ..... .23
10r on 35k, No. 140* ..... .28
10r on 50k, No. 141* ..... .32
25r on 70k, No. 143* ..... .68
100r on 7r, No. 147* 2.75
100r on 10r, No. 148* 2.75
5r on 2k, No. 152* ..... .15
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1903, 4a green, No. 221* ..... .40
1903, 8a violet, No. 222* ..... .70
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1907, 1a red, No. 227* ..... .15

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1885, ½a green, No. 11* ..... .10
1885, 9p rose, No. 12* ..... .37
1885, 1a brown, No. 13* ..... .08
1885, 1a 6p brown, No. 14* ..... .30
1885, 6a bistre, No. 18* ..... .70
1885, 8a violet, No. 19* ..... .55
1885, 12a violet, No. 20* ..... .58
1885, 1r red and green, No. 22* ..... .65
1903, Nos. 27 to 30* ..... .25
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*20c, No. 64 ..... .06
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*100c, No. 68 .... .08
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50c, No. 17 ..... *.13
5fr, No. 19 ..... .63
10c, No. 21 ..... .10
40c, No. 23 ..... .25
5c, No. 26 ..... .06
10c, No. 27 ..... *.10
25c, No. 28 ..... *.15
50c, No. 29 ..... .13
1fr. No. 30 ..... .18
1908 Surcharged.
5c, No. 31 ..... *.08
10c, No. 32 ..... *.10
15c, No. 33 ..... .13
40c, No. 35 ..... .20
50c, No. 36 ..... .13
1fr, No. 37 ..... .15
10fr, No. 40 ..... .75
1909-15.
5c, No. 41 ..... .08
10c, No. 42 ..... .13
15c, No. 43 ..... .20
50c, No. 44 ..... .15
5c, No. 45 ..... .03
10c, No. 46 ..... .04
15c, No. 47 ..... .06
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50c, No. 50 ..... .20
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5fr, No. 53 ..... .50
10fr, No. 54 ..... .50
5c, No. 55 ..... *.02
10c, No. 56 ..... *.02
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*1.50m, No. 13 .. .06
*2m, No. 14 ..... .08
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*5m, No. 18 ..... .18
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*25pf on 30pf (21) .02
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*5m, No. 57 ..... .10
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*1m, No. 100 .... .03
*2m, No. 102 .... .06
*5m, No. 104 .... .15
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1919 Perforate.
*3h to 25h, Nos. 117 to 122, each .02
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*30pf, No. 28 .... .15
*40pf, No. 30 .... .30
*50pf, No. 31 ..
*60pf, No. 32 ..
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*5pf to 30pf, N 41 to 44, ea
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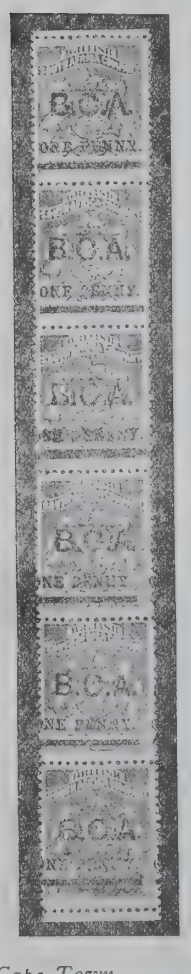

Cape Town Printing.
Complete Vertical Row, shewing third stamp with double surcharge.

even then the bar was a little too high and not straight. Now, at this point, my memory is at fault; I do not remember whether the printer refused to take the responsibility of printing any more surcharges, or whether it was the Postmaster-General who declined to let him do any more, but at any rate the printer submitted this first sheet of 60 stamps to Mr. McMaster, who passed it, but no more of these provisionals were made at Blantyre. A parcel of 2d stamps was then despatched to the Government printing office at Cape Town, accompanied by one of the double-surcharged stamps, with instructions to have the surcharge as nearly of the same type as was possible."

Mr. King's account of the events is doubtless correct in the main, and tallies with the history quoted from "an unimpeachable source" in *Stanley Gibbons' Monthly Journal* for October 31, 1896 (VII., 58) :—

"There is a history going the round of the magazines in reference to certain copies of the 'ONE PENNY' on the 2d of the British South Africa Company, with double surcharge. The story is that 100 sheets were sent to the Government printing office at Blantyre to be surcharged; that the first sheet was put through the press twice over, presumably to show the Postmaster how nicely they could do it. The P.M., however, was not satisfied, and sent the other 99 sheets to Cape Town to be adorned; and thus is accounted for a double overprint which differs in type from the single one.

This history comes from an unimpeachable source, and we have no doubt that it is perfectly true; but we think that waste products of this kind should be destroyed, instead of being preserved for sale to collectors."

Mr. King's statement that the sheet of the Blantyre surcharge was "passed" by the Postmaster-General, if it is to be taken as meaning that he allowed them to be used for regular postal purposes, must surely be an error, for the ultimate destination of a good proportion of the sixty stamps so overprinted is not unknown, and the copies are unused.

The chief difference between the Blantyre setting and the Cape Town one is the presence of a full stop after PENNY in the latter, the period being absent in the former. The Cape Town type is heavier and slightly taller than that set up at Blantyre, the O is narrow and elongated in the Cape Town, and more rounded in the Blantyre. The bar of the Cape Town is thick and long (18 mm); in the Blantyre it is thin and short (16½ mm.).

The arrangement of the type in the Cape Town surcharge is not known with any certainty, but from the occurrence, on different rows, of a complete row of double surcharges it is surmised that the surcharge was applied one row at a time. Mr. P. L. Pemberton mentions a sheet which had the fourth row doubly surcharged, and the strip we illustrate herewith shows a double surcharge in the third row.

Another sheet Mr. Pemberton describes leads him to believe that there were two settings. We quote his remarks (*Philatelic Journal of Great Britain*, XVIII, 171) :—

"Of the Cape Town type there is pretty good evidence of two distinct settings of the surcharge. I have an entire sheet before me, on which the sixth stamps of the second and fifth rows have the two last letters of PENNY set rather below the level of the rest of the word. It is quite certain, judging by this and other evidence, that this sheet was printed from a stereo made up of three horizontal rows of ten surcharges, which was impressed twice on the sheet. With the exception of the slightly depressed NY there is no semblance of a variety on this sheet. Yet there is a well-known and marked variety in which the "Y" of PENNY is dropped considerably below the level of the rest of the word. Several years ago I had an entire sheet in which this variety occurred, but, unfortunately, it was broken up before I took a note of how many there were on the sheet and what positions they occupied. It certainly occurred more than once. However that may be, it is certain that the setting was different from that in which the slightly depressed "NY" occurs. This sheet was memorable for having the fourth horizontal row doubly surcharged; it is puzzling to know how this could have occurred unless each row was surcharged separately, and I am inclined to think that this is the solution."

It does not seem to us probable that the surcharge was printed in any other way than direct from the type, as the number printed was so small, and the occasional irregular depression of a letter or two letters seems to confi[illegible] belief that no *stereo* was mad[illegible] some of the stamps the O of C[illegible] also slightly depressed, and th[illegible] believe, is a characteristic of sma[illegible] of type widely spaced from each [illegible] and would occur chiefly at the [illegible] ning or at the end of the overpri[illegible] the same time, we would not dism[illegible] possibility of several rows bein[illegible] pressed in one setting, and ev[illegible] would admit of the occasional [illegible] row, if one block of thirty was [illegible] with the top row over-lapping t[illegible] tom row of the upper thirty, thu[illegible] ing the bottom row of the bottom [illegible] unsurcharged, to be filled in by[illegible] ing the top row of the type to [illegible] surcharged bottom row.

In regard to the two varie[illegible] double surcharge, the Blantyre a[illegible] Cape Town types, Mr. Pemberto[illegible] properly points out that "the E[illegible] variety was never issued to the [illegible] whereas the Cape Town type is [illegible] uine error. Both command good[illegible] but the latter is not only more d[illegible] as an issued stamp but is also s[illegible]

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This editorial stuck in my mind, until recently I sprung the idea myself, in the way of pronunciation tests. I will admit I did not know what was proper myself, as our office dictionary did not have it. After trying other people's guesses, I then went home and looked the word up, and went back over my route with the correct pronunciation of philatelist, philately, etc.

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THE SPEAKER was C. E. Severn, who addressed the club on the subject, "Effective Speech in Salesmanship." With this rather abstract subject, Mr. Severn suggested some very concrete and practical things to do, among them being that we renew acquaintances with the old grammar and dictionary. Somebody's always taking the joy out of life, but this is constructive work which will pay in direct proportion to the intelligent thought and time devoted to it.—*All Chicago Kiwanian.*

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A STRONG INDICTMENT.

The Malay Conspiracy—Stamp Collecting has had the satisfaction of receiving many messages of approval of its condemnation, in last week's issue of the Straits-Borneo conspiracy. We only wish we could wax even more vituperative over the matter. It seems that the so-called provisional ("Malaya-Borneo Exhibition" on stamps of the Straits Settlements and British North Borneo) are only to be sold in sets, which is proof positive that they are not intended for ordinary postal purposes. Those of North Borneo should be completely ostracized, for we learn that orders for them have to be cabled to the Secretary of the Malaya-Borneo Exhibition at Singapore, which is the only place where they can be obtained. Postage stamps of the Borneo Protectorate are not valid for correspondence posted in the Straits Settlements, and the Borneo labels overprinted for the Exhibition will therefore be nothing more than defaced curiosities. The North Borneo Company have offered such a lot of rubbish that we can only be astounded at this, their latest, temerity. It will be remembered that, when they issued their notorious "Red Cross" provisonals, they pocketed the face value of the set up to the 10 dollars denomination and gave the miserable sum of 1d. per stamp to the Red Cross funds!

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"We shall not include either the Borneo or the Brunei surcharges in our catalogue, and will absolutely ignore them. The Straits Settlements are on rather a different footing, as they are sold in Singapore, where, no doubt, they will be available for postage."

We have since heard that the stamps of Trengganu have been subjected to the same treatment. This latest example of Malay temerity has apparently so disgusted dealers (including Messrs. Whitfield King & Co.) who had already cabled orders for the Straits provisionals that they have immediately cancelled these. *Stamp Collecting.*

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Old postage stamps occasionally turn up in disused desks or forgotten drawers, and the householder who finds even one of them worth so much as a ten-dollar bill thinks himself in luck. A postage stamp of British Guiana worth $27,000, long known as the rarest in the world, has just been sold to a Swiss collector who paid that sum for it, with taxation surcharged added, at a public auction in Paris. It was only of one-cent denomination—a tiny bit of carmine-colored paper with the "one cent" on it printed in black—yet what a record it had before finally coming under the hammer! Discovered in the colony by a young man named Vaughan in 1873 as "the only known copy," it found its way to England in 1878, was first sold for a few shillings as a "philatelic curiosity," then finally purchased by the late Baron de la Renotiere von Ferrari for a little more than $500; he deposited it in his world-famous collection, and it remained there for 44 years.

In the interval rumors that another copy existed sent collectors scurrying over the two hemispheres in search of the coveted treasure. While they were gone an alleged copy, for which 20,000 francs were asked, came to grief in France through being denounced by experts as "an absurd forgery." When the war broke out Baron von Ferrari returned to Germany, bequeathed his collection to the Berlin Museum, and died in 1917. Ever since, his property has been under sequestration. and the proceeds of its sale, including the amount yielded by the British Guiana stamp, are to be paid to the reparations account.

Strange indeed have been the adventures of adhesive stamps since the first of them was "invented" nearly a century ago by James Chalmers of Dundee. The British parliament sanctioned their use in 1840, and it took little more than a decade to extend them for postage purposes to the rest of Europe and to various parts of the American continent. Early enough they gave rise to the stamp collector, the stamp album and the stamp catalogue; today there are scores of books dealing with stamps, and it takes one work in two bulky volumes to guard the buyer with the story of the forgeries of stamps.

Why should so many people accumulate these squares and oblongs, whose proper use is to be affixed to correspondence? "Fad" it has been called, but think of it as a source of information and entertainment. A fairly rich collection tells of the vicissitudes of states, sometimes of the rise and fall of forms of government. Great national events are often perpetuated by "commemoration" stamps. There are political and economical lessons to be learnt; look on the new Bolshevist issues ranging from 7,500 to 22,500 roubles. Stamps often carry pictures of crowned heads, presidents of republics, army generals, of fair cities, of landscapes and seascapes. The latest output of Egypt reproduces the colossal statue of Rameses II at Thebes; the newest Armenian stamp visualizes the plain and mountain of Ararat, with a native ploughing in the foreground. Something of all this, with the supply and demand law taken into account, may help to explain why the largest sum ever paid for a postage stamp has just changed hands at Paris.

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A BIT SOUR.

An American stamp fiend, who refused to give his name, paid over $32,000 for one stamp at a spirited French stamp auction a day or so ago. The stamp, a 1-cent British Guiana stamp of 1856, black upon a red ground, was in the famous Baron Ferrari collection. Nearly $5,500 accrued to the state as tax through the transaction.

The average lay mind immediately holds up its hands in holy horror at the idea of this sum of money being spent for a tiny scrap of printed paper. This reaction of protest to huge valuation of things insignificant in size is a common one. Even the common story of the magnates wife with her new $500,000 sable coat arouses less ire, for sables are sables and a coat is a coat, but prithee tell us, what is a stamp? The second common reaction is the one dominant in the sable coat discussion, and that is folks' resentment to one person having luxury when others are without necessities. How dares one man spend for one stamp to stick in a scrapbook a sum that would save starving children in vast areas? Then up rise the defenders of the hobby faith, remarking that all money spent is for the common good as it all goes to general circulation. Then up rise their opponents to remark that $32,000 spent in one transaction in so limited a field as stamp collecting is not going to get to the mass very much. The more we think about it, the surer we are that it was a wise American stamp fiend who refused to give his name when he bought his little stamp.—Cleveland *Plain-Dealer.*

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THE SEVEN CENT VERMILION.

By J. W. SAMPSON.

CHAPTER V.—*Covers and Cancellations.*

With the exception of stamps issued primarily to cover payment of a registration fee, no postal emission of our government has been so definitely dedicated to a specific use as the 7 cent vermilion, and a collection of this stamp, even though in no sense "highly specialized," contains reminders of historical events that are of general as well as philatelic interest.

Every collector is familiar with the names "Hanover" and "Schlesweig-Holstein," and knows that these provinces were annexed to Prussia in 1866, and that Prussia in turn was amalgamated with Bremen, Brunswick, Hamburg, Lubeck, Oldenburg and Saxony in 1869, as the North German Confederation. At that time, their stamps were superseded by those of the North German Postal District, and it was through treaty with this North German Confederation in April, 1870, that the 7 cent vermilion was made a necessity.

In 1868, the four South German States of Baden, Bavaria, Hesse-Darmstadt and Wurtemberg were made independent and at the conclusion of the Franco-Prussian War, early in 1871 (and before the 7 cent vermilion was actually issued), these four States were united with the North German Confederation to form the German Empire.

During this period Austria had been separated from Germany and was made up of some twenty or more provinces, including kingdoms, archduchies, duchies, margreviates, and counties, the names of which are mostly unfamiliar to philatelists, as only Lombardy-Venice issued stamps.

After these unions were effected, however, mail coming from America continued to be addressed to the various States or Provinces of the German Empire, and to a limited extent to the old sub-divisions of Austria. 7 cent covers addressed to Hamburg, Holstein, Saxony, Baden, Bavaria, Hesse, Prussia and Wurtemberg are not extremely rare, and a few such covers add much of historical interest to a United States collection.

Then the stamps themselves, as well as the covers to which they are gummed, tell a story of emigration, agricultural and industrial development, and postal service rules and customs, through their cancellations.

For example, a 7 cent is almost never seen bearing the postmark of any small town in New England, or the South, but the names of country towns and villages in Ohio, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, frequently appear. These small town postmarks show clearly where settlement was made by a large proportion of the 2,600,000 German emigrants, who left the Fatherland in the fifty years between 1823 and 1873 and came to this country.

By no means all of this incoming horde became farmers, to be sure. A million or so settled in our larger cities—and the large percentage of Cincinnati postmarks on the 7 cent stamp indicates where they established themselves. Milwaukee, St. Louis, Philadelphia, Baltimore are next in order of commonness on the 7 cent vermilion, if we omit New York.

The New York cancellation, in black and red, appears on many a stamp that franked a letter emanating from another city, as probably 90% of the mail to Germany during the 70's went by steamer from this port. "New York—Transit", "New York—Paid all Direct", "New York—Br. Transit", are common markings, the last mentioned being used on letters that went via. England. It is accordingly an error to consider a red cancellation on a 7 cent stamp a rarity. Beautiful and desirable it may be, but by no means uncommon if it embodies the words "New York," or is a typical New York obliteration.

Then there was a large volume of German and Austrian mail originating in New York, and during 1873 and 1874 there was apparently an indiscriminate use of red and black inks in applying the obliterations. Figure 9 is typical of several New York cancellations used in 1870 and 1871. Figures 10 to 16, inclusive, are of the 1873-4 period and are by no means a complete showing of the designs used. These cancellations seem to have been changed every three to four weeks, with just enough irregularity to upset any theory of systematic use. But

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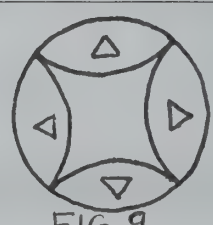
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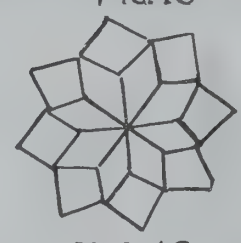
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while the "reasons why" are as yet undetermined, the presence of a few of these New York cancellations in a collection certainly adds much of interest. In this connection it is well to note that these fancy designs appear to have been used chiefly, if not entirely, on outgoing foreign mail, and hence while common on the 7 cent, 12 cent, 24 cent and other high values, are comparatively seldom seen on the 1 cent, 2 cent or 3 cent stamps of the 1870-3 issues.

other cities were close followers. Among these was Louisville, Ky. A bunch of 7 cent covers from that city to Germany, mailed in the fall of 1872, show six different designs used inside of three months,—including in September, a 14-segment oval; in October, a 10-segment oval; in November, an 8-segment oval. The chopping of these ovals into varying numbers of pieces does not seem to have had any particular significance, however, for other designs were used in

FIG. 17

FIG. 18

FIG. 19

FIG. 20

No less than 23 of these complex designs have been noted, consisting mostly of stars and rosettes in outline, within circles. Small solid star cancellations are less common on the 7 cent stamp. The Pittsburgh star (solid, inside a 20-(millimeter circle) is most frequently encountered, most of the others apparently coming from small towns.

In these matters of using fancy obliterations and changing them frequently, between, including the simple "cross roads" cancellation shown in Figure 17.

This cancellation (Fig. 17), in different sizes, was also used by a number of other cities, and is one of the most common distinctive cancellations on the 7 cent stamp. Figure 18 shows another almost equally common, this having been used in New York in 1871.

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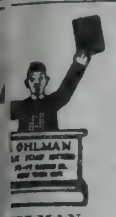

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to the imagination of some postal employee. Two of the most interesting of these, illustrated by Figures 19 and 20, appear on 7 cent covers to Germany and are generally known as the "smiling sun" and "spread eagle" cancellations.

Next to shapeless smudges bare and unenclosed grids, targets and concentric circles are perhaps the most common cancellations on the 7 cent vermilion. Nor is this commonness confined to one color, for the "Cincinnati blue" concentric circles are perhaps more frequently seen than any other obliteration of this type, though often held in high esteem by those who have not observed their frequent usage on the 1869 and 1870 issues. The same Cincinnati cancellation in the true green shade, however, while by no means rare is much more infrequently met, and any other design in a "real" green is a rarity.

In degree of scarcity, the writer would rank colored cancellations on the 7 cent stamp as running thus: red, blue, purple or violet, blue lilac, brown and green, the two latter tying for position as the most unusual.

Among the scarce and interesting cancellations appearing on this stamp, aside from those already mentioned, are the blue flower, the wind-mill, the skull and bones, the Masonic emblem, the jack-o'-lantern, and various inscriptions, such as "U.S." and letters of the alphabet. The letters are not the usual postal station numbers, apparently, but more probably the initials of small towns and cities, such as "R", standing for Rockland, Maine. New York and Philadelphia postal station letters and numbers are seldom seen on this stamp, as outgoing foreign mail was ordinarily taken to the general postoffice.

On letters sent direct to Germany the Hamburg receiving mark with date and the word "FRANCO" in a rectangular frame, very frequently hit the stamp, and a 7 cent vermilion with this marking (always in red) is an interesting item and securable by any collector who persistently seeks it. Equally interesting, but much more scarce, are the blue French receiving marks, with date in circle, both Cherbourg and Brest being occasionally encountered. The letters "PD", in frame and appearing in red, applied during a long period to American mail reaching Europe, seldom struck this stamp. One other example of seldom-seen foreign markings is this: the words "Frankfort A.M.—Postexped. No. 4—16-4-72, 3V.M." in three lines, inside a rectangular frame about 35 millimeters long and appearing entirely on two 7 cent stamps. The word "postexpedition" may be translated as "forwarded by."

(To be Continued.)

BOOK REVIEW.

Edouard Locher, 76 Boul. de la Gare, Zurich, Switzerland, sends us for review his complete catalog of stamps issues from 1914 to date. Containing as it does the stamps of the war, those issued in connection with the armistice and the issues of recent years, the book will be of special value to a great host of collectors. The price of the catalogue is 50c and no doubt United States stamps will be accepted in payment.

THE CONTEST.

The contest announced in our issue of April 15th, based on the list of "hidden names" compiled by Mr. Krause was entered into by ninety of our readers who, with almost no exception, gave good accounts of themselves. The following are the correct answers as supplied by Mr. Krause, who offered a five cent of 1847 on cover as first prize:

1.—Greenwood.
2.—Colon.
3.—Fiume (Fume).
4.—Jhind (Ginned).
5.—Baden (Bad N).
6.—Bhopal (Beau-Pal).
7.—Emory (M or E).
8.—Hejaz (He Jazz)
9.—Salem.
10.—Cochin China (Coach in China).
11.—Puno (Phew No).
12.—Benadir (Been a dear)
13.—Ceylon (Seal on).
14.—Deccan (Pecan).

Now our troubles begin. When the "nut" brigade gave Filbert by changing one letter from Gilbert, instead of the orthograpically changed Deccan to Pecan (*vide* Mr. Krause's list), could we say them nay? Too, the Parma clan with "Par" and "Ma" instead of Bhopal (Beau-Pal) gave us something to think about. Right here, we must admit that the orthoepist had no place in the struggle; he retired early to the side-lines. After making due allowances and adjustments, the following are selected as the prize-winners: First—G. F. Keller, 143 Nassau Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.; second—Allen J. Fisher, 3235 N. 20th St., Philadelphia, Pa., and third—C. R. Beegle, Palmyra, New Jersey. Each of these entrants submitted lists entirely correct, if Gilbert is considered as an alternative for Deccan.

The entries of F. S. Cramer, 1285 Cove Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, and David C. Turnbull, 129 N. West St., Mishawaka, Indiana, commanded our unbounded admiration. Mr. Cramer sent a booklet which is a most clever conception. He surely put the human touch in it and we wish that we could print it in its entirety, but there are about 150 lines to it! But love's labor has not been lost on us.

Mr. Turnbull made up a little dictionary of sixteen pages and cover for his answers; it is a sort of fac-simile of our Dictionary which is now about off the fire; and on the cover is a fine reproduction in color of the five cent, 1847, with red grid cancellation, the brown stamp to the life. This artistic attempt should be seen to be appreciated. We are sending Mr. Cramer and Mr. Turnbull a U. S. stamp each, right out of our own pocket in a fit of painful generosity. Yes, and Mr. Cramer had Pecan, too, but he slipped elsewhere. Well, what's next?

P. S.: Ernest Kelly, The Cordova, Washington, D. C., was the poet-laureate. Among other things he said:

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NEW EUROPE AND WAR STAMPS.

By W. C. PHILLIPS.

I do not wish to pose as an expert in War stamps, but without exaggeration or conceit, I believe more of these stamps have passed through my hands than any others in America. Especially is this true of the rarer items, and better grade stamps. I do not think there are hardly any sources of supply worth mentioning we are not in touch with, or that anyone has had more experience with market values. After all the only accurate, worth while knowledge of market values is only to be had in the buying and selling of actual goods. Considering this my remarks ought to have at least as much weight as those of persons who actually know little or nothing about these issues, or at best have had a limited experience with them.

I am tired of reading articles, or hearing opinions passed, largely of a sneering nature, by persons who know little about these stamps, and who are not qualified to give an opinion worth serious attention. Most collectors, however, believe what they see or hear. This persistent knocking by collectors, and members of the "trade" has done stamp collecting a lot of harm. There are a host of collectors who are keenly interested in these stamps, and in view of the fact that no one seems to try and give them any encouragement, I am going to try and show those who have collected these most interesting bits of paper, they are not quite such fools as a lot of dealers and collectors try to make them think they are. The American spirit of fair play demands that the stamps get a fair chance.

As to my booming War stamps I can say that they need no booming so far as we are concerned. They are with us and have been for several years, the fastest selling stock we have. Our trouble is not in selling them, but in getting enough of the better class items to fill our demands at a price that will allow us to handle. Not even the good old issues and "classics" sell as well. This is absolutely contrary to what certain dealers with a limited trade preach, who tell the collector he is foolish to buy, that the stamps have no future. Perhaps not, but a lot of wise people have been wrong before. Contrary to the impression many collectors have, but a minor part of our business is in these War stamps. We would have far more to gain by a boom in the earlier issues. Further, I personally have a collection of first issues that most anyone would pay at least a hundred dollars for and not hesitate long, so I am not "grinding any axe" in writing this.

To deviate a bit, I want to deplore here the all too frequent habit some collectors have of referring to everything they do not fancy as "junk". How many times has some collector worked away quietly, gathering together a collection, only to be told when he showed it to some dealer or collector it was "junk" and have his interest killed. Most collectors are too easily influenced by the opinion of some prejudiced dealer or collector. Collect what you want to, what interests you, and pleases you, regardless of the knocks of others. Your chances of being right are just about as good as theirs, and anyway you get your fun out of the hobby, which is after all, the main thing with the real collector.

Speculation is another thing charged against these stamps. Does one expect the collector on the spot, who picks up some of a limited issue, not to get what he can for the stamps? It always has been so and will be. I did not notice any examples of generosity on the part of American collectors or dealers when they picked up 5c errors, 1c Pan inverts, bluish papers, etc., in the post offices, at face. We were asked prices for such that surely netted an enormous prof... talk comes from people who wo... liked to have been on the spo... selves. So long as the price ... where near consistent with the ... the stamps no one should have ... coming.

Collectors would be astonish... could show them what trouble ... in getting a supply of these sta... fact there are a lot of them w... *get*, though want lists for th... been in our hands for two y... they are so plentiful, made s... sell to collectors, where are t... years after they were issued, U. ... number ones and twos of many ... were ten times more plentiful a... to get than over half the high... War stamps, or many of the ... priced are now. If they are s... so soon after issue what al... future? It's a fact, we have ... many times in many years of ... that nine collectors out of ten ... want stamps when there are su... the market. As soon as they a... then the mad scramble starts. ... the speculative element accounts ...

I believe and know that the... have done more to boom stamp c... the past six years than any the W... ever had before. They have ... thousands of new collectors, be... much newspaper publicity that ... a world of good for collectin... torically and otherwise they are t... interesting lot of stamps the w... ever seen, or probably will e... Crude perhaps, but their very c... and the fact that they are differ... the usual stamp run, attracts ... collector, and it attracts the non-... too. Behind many a single i... more history many times, than t... issues of some countries can sh... collector who has kept pace w... issues has a general knowledg... new countries that the averag... does not get. Some are unn... but after securing all the inf... possible about them, making a cl... of them and conditions under w... were issued, covering a period o... years, I firmly believe the great ... were issued to fill postal needs.

The foreign mail that comes h... a city, even the size of Hartfo... one an idea to what extent they a... used for legitimate mail. If c... draw the line at actual necess... many British Colonies need a ... or twenty shilling stamp fo... needs? Yet there is hardly ... Europe stamp today that has a f... at present exchange of one ... shilling, while the need for s... larger in most countries is ma...

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On many the present catalog prices are ridiculous. We have sold them to dealers for more than full catalog. Seventy-five per cent of the better varieties we have found impossible to obtain enough of to fill our orders or demands, and our connections are so large that if these stamps were in the market anywhere we could get them. In some cases stamps of which only a few hundred or a thousand were issued are priced at $3 or less each. How long will such small quantities last, or such prices either? If they are so hard to get now, so shortly after their issue, what will they be a few years from now? The truth is that in most cases the supply has been pretty well absorbed of the rarer ones. Without doubt the great majority of these stamps will never be cheaper than now. The circumstances connected with their issue will always make a good demand for them, and last but not least, remember these are mostly European stamps, and will always be in demand by the great army of European collectors. A sufficient guarantee that those not issued in large quantities will soon be absorbed.

I have been surprised at the rapidity with which many of these stamps have disappeared, and in other cases at the real rarity of stamps one would think from catalog prices, could be easily obtained. We hold no stock of the better items, we only wish we did, and doubt if any other dealer does. We have been unable to fill one-half the want lists we received for the rarer items the past year. They were simply not to be had, try where we would.

My own personal opinion, based on experience and actual dealing, not guesswork or second-hand information, is that the majority of the really good stamps, or higher priced items, will show just as good returns if bought intelligently, and held long enough to give them half a chance as other lines. They are today in spite of all the attempts to belittle these goods and turn collectors from them, the best and fastest selling line we have, and we carry everything from number ones up. We know that many have been stuck, so have we by unscrupulous European dealers. That when information was vague at first, prices were asked and gotten which were unreasonable, but exceptions do not prove a rule, averages make the final count. Run over the advertising columns of any American stamp paper the past few years and see how many of the really rare stamps have been offered. You'll see thousands of offers of the cheaper ones, but you'll be surprised if you look for the others. Then, too, every European dealer with a printing press handy has sent lists over here of stuff he did not have in stock, figuring he would get the stamps if he got some American dollars. Getting so many offers has made collectors think there was a big supply, and some of the catalog pricing has even been made on this basis. I have ordered supplies of stamps from as many as ten lists of offers and never got one single stamp. I could almost fill a book with experiences of that sort. Until one knows the real facts a perusal of European lists and offers would make one think these stamps were plenty enough.

Unless another great war develops, a thing which is highly improbable, exchange has without doubt reached the lowest point it will ever hit some time ago. Exchange has been responsible for most of the ups and downs of prices. I say again that in most cases the bottom of prices has been reached if not passed. I have plenty of evidence to back this assertion if space permitted my giving it.

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By Allen H. Wright.

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By Frank L. Applegate.

Anent an article from the pen of L. H. Brigham on the subject of mounting stamps he emphasizes the necessity of bending the hinge flush with the top of the stamp. Now while it is true that this is the only method that justifies the use of the term "hinge" as a proper name for our mounts, the fact remains that it is not the only method, nor even the best one, and I am qualified to observe that among many, if not indeed a majority of careful collectors, other methods obtain.

The "hinge" feature has been greatly over-emphasized in my opinion. In making a satisfactory study of the watermark or in applying the perforation gauge it is almost always necessary to remove the stamp entirely from the page anyhow, and having satisfied himself as to the variety and having mounted the stamp in his album the collector rarely has further use for the hinge except to hold the stamp securely in its place.

I prefer a hinge *bent well below the top of the stamp* for the following reasons: First: Damage. Many a good stamp has been spoiled by attempting to remove hinges from the perforation and while this danger may be minimized by the use of peelable hinges, peelable hinges also remove the necessity for the "hinge" feature. The centre of the stamp is better able to stand the strain of removing too adhesive mounts than the perforated edges. Again the flopping around of stamps hinged loosen at the top, especially in approval, and other books subject to much handling have resulted in many broken perforations and creased, nicked, torn, and otherwise damaged stamps as any collector or dealer of experience will recall.

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EDITORIAL.

Bureau—We have been receiving letters from readers commenting favorably upon the services afforded by the stamp department at Washington that was instituted for the benefit of philatelists and their especial wants. From the tone of the communications, it is evident that these subscribers fear that certain comments that have been made upon the propriety of the department's course, in reference to the sale of the Shanghai surcharges at face, may have a reactionary or disturbing influence upon the authorities who are watching the progress of stamp sales to collectors with interest and attention. We are told in this connection that business is brisk at the government stamp stall and that there is no disposition to turn tail on the venture. We feel that no dealer has any deep-seated conviction that the government's accommodation has not worked to the advantage of collecting; and in the end it will increase rather than curtail his business. The publicity that attended the departure of the post office department in providing this stamp sanctuary was invaluable and it would be unthinkable that it would not have the united support of philatelists. The stamp department must be a permanent improvement and collectors must see that it is kept up. Here let us say that the little whirlwind that the Shanghais occasioned has died down and the supply of the stamps has evidently been exhausted as we are told by one collector that he received his money back but, hold, we stop the presses to say that he has just informed us that the circumstance arose over the fact that he sent his personal check in payment. Uncle Sam is too dinged suspicious to make a stamp dealer.

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Bumped—We do not know that stamp collectors have much to complain of on the score of governmental treatment. It is remembered that in 1910, when the current issue of that time came with the star between the imprint and plate-number of the marginal inscription, there was a disgruntled collector or two, evidently of entire sheets but perhaps only of plate-numbers, who wondered at the misguided enterprise of the authorities in multiplying varieties for his eye. The explanation that the stars were the consequence of a plan devised to overcome perforating troubles and reduce the percentage of spoiled sheets by widening the space on the outside of the sheet so as to give more room for the perforating wheels did not impress these collectors. These little designs were guiding-stars that served a practical purpose in identification. All this is in the nature of a preamble to the remark of a stamp collector who voices the opinion in accents acerb that if the government wants to maintain the respect of stamp collectors it should avoid marketing new stamps in the manner that it is selling the new Grant gold dollars, three dollars for the one without the tiny star and $3.50 for the one with it.

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Bright—Score another for the "Memory Tests" that are syndicated to a good number of the biggest newspapers of the day. Once before the omniscient propounder of problems had an intelligent question based on stamps, even though we do forget what it was, and now we rub our eyes to read: "What countries have used postage stamps with a continuous silk thread running through the paper of each stamp to guard against counterfeiting?" The day following the answer was given: "Bavaria, Schleswig-Holstein, Switzerland and Wuerttemberg." Who but a philatelist could even attempt to answer so technical a question as this one?

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Buzzes—The American Philatelic Society nominations by the Cincinnati Philatelic Society, Branch No. 46, has been completed by the names of C. F. Heyerman, Detroit, and H. B. Phillips, Berkeley, Calif., as directors at large. The list given last week with these two additions has been endorsed by the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club, Cleveland, and the Philadelphia Branch, No. 18. It looks as though Wm. C. Michaels of Kansas City, the nominee for the presidency, will not be able to dodge the lightning. We are glad to hear that some of the members already are sharpening their wits with the idea of speaking right out in meeting at the Springfield convention. Now that the American Philatelic Society is the spokesman for philately in this country, it is proper that a full and free discussion is had on all subjects on which there is a division of opinion. As the society grows, the personal equation enters less into the deliberations at the conventions; and this is as it should be. Differences based on misunderstanding should be dissected publicly. Above all, members should be kept in touch with developments in the work that the society is prosecuting in order that they may give their proxy-holders, if need be, definite lines to pursue. That there will be no lack of meaty subjects for considerations is a foregone conclusion. A lively time is anticipated and surely this prospect is one to allure rather than to discourage.

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Births—The suggestion of a correspondent that we give prominence to the pronunciation of philately is a good one and we shall act upon it in some way or other. A few words regarding the origin of the word, philately, are in place. Before 1865, there was no term in universal usage that implied stamp collecting. In that year M. Herpin, one of France's earlier collectors, said: "Is it not strange that in the six or seven years, during which the world has been studying and hunting for postage stamps, no one has thought of giving a name to the attractive occupation which gives happiness to some and fortune to others?" M. Herpin dismissed the inappropriate "timbromanie" as impossible, and somewhat modestly proposed "philately"; and quaintly defended the formation of the word from the two Greek words. He said: "Philately signifies then, the love of the study of all that concerns prepayment. Now that the word is let loose and the new-born has seen the light, in order to increase its happiness and prosperity, we earnestly beseech our young and charming lady readers to be its godmother. 'What!' some exlaimed, 'Do you speak Greek to young ladies? A singular way to please them and secure their patronage!' That means is perhaps better than you suppose. Who knows but that the peculiarity of the request will not prove its best recommendation?" As has been said, the success of the word no doubt exceeded M. Herpin's expectations. It was about 1885 that the word got into the standard dictionaries of the U. S. and Great Britain and now it has a place in all of the big dictionaries. We shall get to the orthoepy of philately, etc., in our next issue.

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As we went to press last month the 1d K. G. appeared at the head office in Sydney in violet instead of carmine, and strange as it may seem its appearance created a certain amount of excitement in local philatelic circles. The 13th was a Monday and when we heard that the stamp was on sale, we sent along for our usual supply, viz., £20 worth. It appeared, however, that the policy the authorities have adopted is only to put the new colours on sale when the old ones have been sold out, with the result that the supply of the 1d violet was intermittent. By Wednesday it was decided to hold over the 1d for a while as the colour clashed with that of the 4d, and they were temporarily withdrawn from sale, but on the Friday they were reinstated.

We know that in one quarter we were accused of cornering the market by buying up all the stamps that were to be had as we had got inside information that no more were to be sold. Needless to say this was all a canard, although quite a number of people believed it. The subject was referred to in a lengthy report in one of our local daily newspapers, entitled "P.M.G.'s Purple Mystery," which was of quite a sensational character.

Needless to say, on the Friday morning plenty of the 1d in violet were obtainable, but strange to relate, they were not put on sale in Melbourne until ten days later, when we received a request from a dealer in that city for a small supply and we have since had requests for this particular stamp from various other parts of the Commonwealth. We do not know exactly when they were put on sale in Melbourne but the issue of these stamps as well as the other denominations has been quite patchy.

Perhaps it might be well to mention here that the postal authorities have decided to fall into line with the resolutions passed at the Madrid Conference and have changed the colours of the ½d, 1d, 1½d, 2d, and 4d. The ½d is to be brown like that of the former 1½d; 1d violet instead of carmine; 1½ green like the former ½d green; the 2d scarlet like the former 1d; and the 4d ultramarine, very much like the 6d kangaroo.

Other changes must ensue, but in the meantime there is a difficulty in regard to the clashing of the new colours with those of the old.

The reason the new 1d was held up was because it was so like the 4d. A large stock of the 4d was in existence and orders came through from Melbourne that the stamps in the old colours were to be used up before those in the new were to be put on sale; consequently, some of the 2d are now available in certain districts where all the old 2d orange have been sold out and yet they are not obtainable in other quarters. We have received quite a number on letters from various districts in N.S.W. and Hobart, but in some of the large centres they have not appeared at all. They were issued here on the 6th inst., but we could not get any idea as to when the other denominations would appear.

In this connection perhaps we might remark on the divergence of views with regard to the blue stamp, for some 3d from various British Colonies are coming along in blue, whereas it is the 4d Australian K.G. which has been changed to that colour and no mention whatever is made of the 3d.

It will be noted that all the denominations which have had their colours changed are those of the K.G. design. What does this signify, if anything? —*Aust. Stamp Journal.*

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—A. C. Gakenheimer informs us that another contest was held on May 2 between the Polytechnic Institute and the Baltimore City College Philatelic Societies, and the former won 41 points to 14.

—A new cancellation is at hand from Indianapolis. It reads as follows in five lines:— "Indiana—Health Exposition—May 18, 27, 1922—Indianapolis—Indiana."

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—The Duluth (Minn.) *Herald* of recent date contained a fine stamp story by Dudley Holland. It was illustrated by some ten cuts of Mid-Europe stamps.

—H. S. Dickey of Newton, Kansas, is at a hospital undergoing a serious operation. Correspondents will understand the reason should there be any delay in matters brought to his attention.

—We have been shown by M. D. Baldwin a specimen of metered mail now in use in New Zealand. The cancellation is upright rectangular in form and is not unlike a postage stamp in general effect. The abbreviation 1d appears in each of the upper corners, while in the upper half of the stamp are the words "Postage Paid". Within a circle in the center of the stamp is the meter number and upon either side in large caps appear "N. Z." In the lower part of the stamp are the words "One Penny" and "Auckland", the city from which the envelope was mailed.

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*Belgium 1920, 65c, No. 138 ..... .08
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*Bermuda 1920, 1, 2½, 6d, script wmk. .25
*Bermuda 1921, ½, ½, 1d, script ..... .07
*Bermuda 1921, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6d, CA ..... .45
*Bermuda 1918, 1d War, No. 101 ..... .20
*Bermuda 1920, 1d War, No. 102 ..... .04
*Br. Guiana 1920, 5c blue ..... .08
*Br. Guiana 1920, 12c ..... .24
*Br. Guiana 1921, 1c, 2c, script ..... .05
*Br. Guiana 1921, 12c, script ..... .16
*Br. Guiana 1918, 2c War, No. 402 .... .05
*Br. Honduras 1921, 2c rose, peace .... .04
*Br. Honduras 1916, 1c War, No. 202.. .06
*Br. Honduras 1918, 3c War, No. 205 .. .12
*Br. Sol. Ids. 1908, ½-6d, Cat. $2.12 .... 1.70
*Br. Sol. Ids. 1908, 1sh, 2sh 2.00
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*Cayman Ids. 1907, 1d, No. 22 ..... .20
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*Cayman Ids. 1921, 1½d script, No. 53 .05
*Cayman Ids. 1921, 1sh script, No. 59 .30
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1897, 8c maple leaf, No. 72 ..... .08
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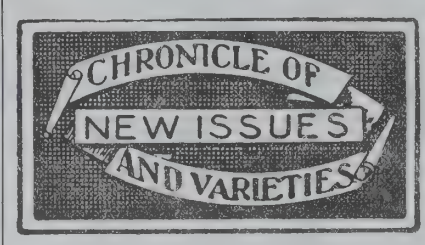

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Last week I gave at some length a list of prices realized at the last Ferrari sale in the case of choice United States items. This week I will cover the more important Confederate States. It will be remembered that the French franc was worth 9.1 cents at the time of the sale and that a luxury tax of 17½% is collected by the government.

This sale only included the Provisional or Local issues from Aberdeen through Gonzales and contained nothing in the way of general issues which will follow at a later date. Some of the choice pieces changed hands at good prices but a great many sold for much less than they would have brought in New York. An entire Aberdeen, used, Scott's No. 1, sold at $26; a pair of the Athens 5c purple on cover $90, while a single 5c red type I found a new owner at $190. A used on cover, type II brought $270. A very fine unused 2c green Baton Rouge sold at $400, while a cut close copy reached only $180 and a pen cancelled copy but $117. Used copies of the 5c green and carmine sold from $40 to $65, while a 10c blue came to this country at $535.

A poor Beaumont on yellow brought only $42.50, while a pink on cover although not cancelled sold for $275. A pair of Bridgeville on cover reached $700, twenty-eight copies of the Charleston $140, while a wonderful Danville 5c red on piece with an Oct 3 town cancellation brought the top notch price of the Confederates, namely $1,400. A 5c blue Emory on cover sold at $330, a 5c and 10c blue envelope of the same town, in one lot $22.50, a Franklin envelope 5c blue on buff $700, a beautiful used pair of the Fredericksburg $107, while a used pair of the Goliad 5c black on blue moved to $1,225. A single 5c on rose brought $235, a gray $450, and a single black $320. A 10c black on gray sold for $590, while a poor copy of the error "Goilad" on cover reached $112.50. A fine 10c on rose on cover changed hands at $340.

A pair of the 5c gold on blue of the Gonzales brought $385 and as far as we know this is not known on cover in any other way. The stamp mentions no face value, but this color has always been taken as a 5c stamp, for they come in pairs while the gold on garnet travel in single copies so it is assumed to be the 10c value. A copy of the latter, by the way, brought the ridiculous price of $20. None of these are ever of fine appearance for the gold readily wears off.

The Rev. E. M. Gearhart sends a further lot of interesting current revenues for inspection, which are certainly to be classed as more than casual varieties. They are all used and in several cases still attached to the original document. There is a 10c documentary clearly double, the 20c and 50c Stock Transfer with double overprint, and a copy of the 2c with "Transfer" missing. There is one rather minor variety, namely, copies showing the final "R" of "Transfer" broken so that it resembles an "F". It is clearly a broken letter and not an error and it no doubt exists on all the dollar values, through the $10, for the Rev. Gearhart shows us the variety on the $1 and $2. It is to be found at the top of the sheet for the copies are all straight edge at top.

Some months back we chronicled the existence of most of the documentary stamps overprinted "F.D." by rubber stamp and all of these that we had seen came from New Orleans. As the overprint was uniform on the many that came to our attention, we assumed that the surcharge was applied locally by the collector of internal revenue. We never confirmed this information. We are now shown by the same gentlemen, several sold receipts from the New York Exchange with several different types of overprint. These are shown by the surcharge to have been overprinted after they had been placed upon the document, consequently it is difficult to say what form of recognition should be given the varieties made by the several, and possibly many more brokers. Not only the "F.D." are to be found but the "S.T." as well.

BELGIUM.—Mr. Henry Hooreman sends us the 2fr value in the new parcel post set. The color is black and in the centre shows the Coat of Arms with the winged

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REAT BRITAIN.—Mr. F. C. S. Gardner vs our attention to the fact that the ket on one of the machines used for ing the paper employed for the pence es is showing signs of wear. He has current 9d on apparently vertically paper.
F. Gardner also mentions that all es of the 5s, overprinted for the Free State, which he has seen are he so-called horizontally laid paper. s this value exist on the true wove; is the 2s 6d to be found on the l"?—*Stamp Collecting.*

UNGARY.—Prof. M. Loewy calls our tion to the following new issues of 1913 type A13, 50f bright blue, 1½k lilac and 6k blue. Also the follow- postage due stamps of the type of but with the word "Hivatalos" and e of value in the centre: 20f brown, grey, 250f blue, 350f grey blue, 500f

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brown and 1,000f grey lilac. All have the printing in the centre in black.

ICELAND.—Mr. W. T. Wilson submits to us the 40aur, King Christian type, surcharged "20 aur" in two lines in black.

MALTA.—We are in receipt of the following from Mr. Louis Carabott:—
"I have to inform you that this afternoon the G. P. O. issued the 6d script watermarked stamps surcharged Self-Government.
I was informed from a reliable source that the 2d King George script stamps were again printed, surcharged ONE FARTHING, and that they have corrected all varieties, that is the 'i' without dot, the broken 'g' and the 'One' not clearly printed.
No 3d stamps with or without overprint are available yet."

NEW ZEALAND.—Mr. R. Roberts informs us of the appearance of a 2d provisional stamp for this country. The ½d Victory stamp has been surcharged "2d" in each upper corner and across the centre of the stamp "Two Pence". The overprint is in red.

PERSIA.—Mr. R. W. Gray, writing from Teheran, January, 1922, contributes the following interesting notes to the *Philatelic Journal of India:*—
"The rate for foreign postage from Persia was raised a few months ago from 12 chahis to 1 kran (20 chahis), in accordance with the International Postal Conference at Madrid in 1920. The Indian Post Offices in the Persian Gulf have, however, not raised their rate accordingly, so in order to deal with this competition the Director-General of Posts was at the end of last year authorized to maintain the former rates for foreign letters posted at the Gulf ports, by Persian post. But as all foreign Post Offices had been advised of the increased rates, in order to prevent shortages being charged on letters thus franked, the following stamps are used on such letters:—
"The current 12 chahi surcharged by means of a hand-stamp in black:—

I KRAN
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(the Persian for 'Ports').

and the current 6 chahi surcharged also in black:—

10 CHAHIS
BENADERS.

"These stamps are sold at their original values. Pending the arrival of these stamps, which were surcharged in Teheran and sent to Bushire, the Director of Posts at the latter place has been using a rubber handstamp with 'I Kr' and '10 Ch' to surcharge the 12 and 6 chahi stamps in blue. This surcharge was usually applied after the stamps were stuck on the envelopes and were apparently not sold in mint condition. Stamps thus surcharged were discontinued last November."—*Stamp Collecting.*

RUSSIA.—Mr. Karl Koslowski sends us another value of the new type of stamps mentioned last week. This is 500r dark purple. Mr. Koslowski also adds "Of this there are so far three values, *viz.,* 500, 10,000 and 22,500r stamps, all of the same design and shape except the last values are on colored paper (buff), a paper that was left over when the Charity stamps of 1914, Scott's No. 207, were printed. On the design is noted the large crude Bolsheviki hammer under whose weight they intended to crush the whole of Europe, judging by Genoa reports. The inscription on the ribbon is Socialistic phrase and by-word "Workers of all Countries Unite Yourself." Mr. Koslowski also adds that the stamp mentioned in last issue surcharged "7,500r" in black has now been overprinted in blue, a cover bearing a pair with black and a pair with blue surcharges having just been received.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—We have received from Henry H. Hart, who was at Singapore at the time of writing (March 31), specimens of the stamps bearing the overprint "Malaya Borneo Exhibition". The surcharge is in black on the three stamps submitted, 1c, 2c and 4c values. Small sans serif capital letters are used for the overprinting, which is in three lines.

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"They have just issued some new 1d stamps in brown, only 160,000 of them, *and there are not to be any more.*
"There is also a new 2d stamp in grey.
"After these are sold we are going to have new stamps altogether, I believe."
—*Stamp Collecting.*

TURKEY.—Mr. John N. Luff in his New Issue Chat in the current issue of the *Collectors Club Philatelist* announces that he hears that the Turkish Nationalist government in Asia Minor is having a permanent set of postage stamps prepared.

UPPER SILESIA.—Mr. J. W. Andrews advises that he has recently received the following provisionals from this country: 4mk on 60pf olive green and 10mk on 75pf vermilion. The surcharges are in large black type of the block pattern.

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Several firms printed their names privately on the gummed side of early British postage stamps, but this publicity was short-lived, for the announcements were literally licked out of existence.
The P.M.G.'s decision opens up a new terror for philatelists, who, at any rate if they are specialists in the stamps of Great Britain, will be obliged to collect specimens of all the various adhesive adverts., even including printers' errors or other varieties in the wording. For to the serious stamp student the back of the label is almost as important as the front.
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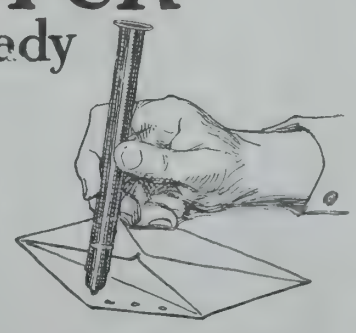

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*GERMANY 1919-20, National Assembly. 10Pf—30Pf. Cat. Nos. 105-108. 4 Var. Complete. Cat. Value 16c. (100—$3.50) .... .40

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*GUATEMALA 1897, 1c Lilac Gray—500c Yellow Green. Cat. Nos. 58-71 except 63, 67 and 69. 11 Var. Cat. Value $1.01 .... 2.50

*HAYTI 1898, 1c, 2c & 5c. Cat. Nos. 52, 53 & 56. 3 Var. Cat. Value 14c .30

HAYTI 1898, 1c Ultramarine—10c Orange Red. Cat. Nos. 52-59. 8 Var. Cat. Value 39c .... .85

*HAYTI 1899, 1c Yellow Green, 2c Carmine Lake & 5c Pale Blue. Cat. Nos. 64-66. 3 Var. Complete. Cat. Value 11c .30

*HAYTI 1898, Dues, 2c Black—10c Orange. Cat. Nos. 501-503. 3 Var. Cat. Value 23c .... .60

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*HUNGARY 1919, Bolsheviki. 20F Rose & Brown—80F Olive Drab & Black Brown. Cat. Nos. 198-202. 5 Var. Complete. Cat. Value 50c 1.25

*HUNGARY 1919, Tanacs. 2F Brown Orange—10K Violet Brown. Nos. 203-222. 20 Var. Complete. Cat. Value 81c 1.50

*HUNGARY 1913, 1f Slate — 6f Olive Green. Cat. Nos. 451-455. 5 Var. Cat. Value 12c. (100—$1.50) .... .20

*HUNGARY 1916, 10f+2f Rose Red—40f+2f Brown Carmine. 3 Var. Cat. Nos. 503-505. Cat. Value 12c. (100—$2.00) .... .25

*HUNGARY 1918-19, 2f Green & Red—50f Green & Red. Cat. Nos. 802-812. 6 Var. Complete. Cat. Value 15c .. .30

*HUNGARY 1919, Transylvania Issues. 17 Var. Cat Nos. 1110-1113, 1122, 1151, 1185, 1187, 1208, 1211, 1214, 1216, 1217, 1229, 1269, 1286 & 1287. Cat. Value $2.15. A Fine Lot. Not available consecutively 3.50

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*MEMEL 1921, 15Pf on 10Pf on 10c Red—60Pf on 40Pf on 20c Red Brown. Cat. Nos. 37-38. 2 Var. Complete. Cat. Value 5c .... .20

*MEXICO 1884, 50c Green, 1 Peso Blue & 2 Peso Blue. Cat. Nos. 160-162. 3 Var. Cat. Value 24c .... .50

*MONTENEGRO 1896, 1n Dark Blue & Bistre — 10n Yellow & Ultramarine. Cat. Nos. 25-29. 5 Var. Cat. Value 25c .60

MONTENEGRO 1907, 1Pa Ochre—50Pa Dull Violet. Cat. Nos. 62-70. 9 Var. Cat. Value 25c. (100—$4.50) .... .50

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*MONTENEGRO 1907, Dues, 5Pa Red Brown — 50Pa Green. Cat. Nos. 194-197 & 254. 5 Var. Complete. Cat. Value 19c. (100—$2.00) .... .25

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NORTH BORNEO 1901-05, 1c Bistre Brown & Black — 4c Deep Rose & Black. Cat. Nos. 105-108. 4 Var. Cat. Value 14c .... .45

NORTH BORNEO 1909, 1c Chocolate & Black — 6c Olive Green & Black. Cat. Nos. 136-141. 6 Var. Cat. Value 22c .75

*NYASSA 1921, ½c Claret—7½c Black & Brown. 10 Var. Cat. Nos. 81-90. (100—$5.00) .... .60

PERSIA 1882, 5c Violet — 25c Green. Cat. Nos. 50-52. 3 Var. Complete. Cat. Value 90c 2.00

*POLAND 1918, 5Pf on 2½Pf Gray—60Pf Magenta. Cat. Nos. 16-26. 10 Var. Cat. Value $1.08 .... 1.50

*POLAND 1920, Official. 3F Bright Red—50F Bright Red. Cat. Nos. 351-356. 6 Var. Cat. Value 12c .... .15

*PRUSSIA 1903, Official. 2Pf Slate — 50Pf Purple & Black. Cat. Nos. 201-208. 8 Var. Complete. Cat. Value 16c. (100—$2.00) .... .25

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*SALVADOR 1910, 3c Orange & Black—19c Brown, Red & Black. Cat. Nos. 380, 380b, 383-387. 6 Var. Cat. Value 24c .... .60

*SALVADOR 1908, Official. 1c Green & Black—100c Turquoise Blue & Black. Cat. Nos. 910-919. 10 Var. Complete. Cat. Value $1.19 .... 2.00

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1s Statue of Queen Victoria.

In *The Gazette* of December 9th, 1920 (vol. 43, No. 50), the 1s value of the pictorial series was forecasted for appearance on the following day:—

"Stamp Office, KINGSTON,
6th December, 1920.

The following is a description of a shilling adhesive stamp to be used for Postage and Revenue purposes.

This stamp will be put into circulation on Friday, 10th December, 1920.

The design of the stamp is denoted by a Statue of Queen Victoria. At the top of the design is printed

JAMAICA
Postage Revenue

The denomination 1s is shown on an oval in each corner at the bottom. Between the denominations are the words

QUEEN VICTORIA
of Jamaica Lady Supreme.

On each side of the design is a coconut palm.

The colour of the stamp is orange.

Signed, C. C. MANTON,
Deputy Stamp Commissioner."

The stamp was printed from two engraved plates, in deep orange for the frame, and orange for the vignette, a most unhappy combination, as it gives to the stamp a very blurred appearance. The size is the same as for the 2s and 3s stamps of this series, issued on the same day, 25 x 30 mm. The sheets consist of 60 stamps (12 horizontal by 5 vertical), printed on white paper, watermarked multiple Crown CA, old type, in an upright position. The perforation is 14, single line. A double marginal line surrounds the pane of 60 subjects, with the usual cross marks in all four margins for guide in centering the two impressions, and perforating.

The border design is lettered at the top JAMAICA in large fancy uncolored caps, while immediately below in smaller and plain caps, is Postage—Revenue. At each side of the design, in panels, are coconut palm trees, and at the foot, in either corner, is the value, 1s on small colored ovals in colorless shields. Between the value is the inscription, QUEEN VICTORIA—of Jamaica Lady Supreme—in two lines of colorless letters.

The vignette subject is a statue of Queen Victoria, by E. Edward Geflowski, and was erected in 1897, at a cost of £800 voted by the Legislature, to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of Her Majesty. It is a replica of one placed in the hall of the Colonial Office at Singapore, in 1887. The statue occupies the pedestal which formerly supported the statue of Sir Chas. Metcalfe (shown on the 3s of the pictorial series), which was moved to the water front in 1898, to make room for the statue of Queen Victoria,—and stands at the King street entrance to Victoria Park. This space was formerly occupied as a market and parade grounds for troops, and for many years was known as the Parade Gardens. In 1914, the name was changed by the Mayor and Corporation of the City of Kingston, to Victoria Park, and on February 14th of that year, the park was renamed by Princess Marie Louise of Schleswig-Holstein, a granddaughter of Queen Victoria. Though not overthrown by the earthquake of 1907, "it laid hold of the statue of Queen Victoria and waltzed her a quarter round on her pedestal. There she was discovered, after the shocks had passed, as serene and dignified as before, but gazing in a different direction."

Supplies of the stamp on the script watermarked paper were received as early as June, 1921, but pending lowering of old stocks, issue was not made until November 4th, 1921.

In March, 1922, the stamp on the old type watermarked paper was found at the small country Post Office of Manchioneal, *with the center inverted.* The Postmistress had not noticed the error and had been selling from the sheet to the public. The bulk, however—a half sheet of 30 stamps—was bought by a non-collector from Kingston, who did not discover his good fortune until he returned to town.

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These same five plates were used for printing on the script watermarked paper (issued Feb. 2nd, 1921), and in addition, eight further plates were made, numbered from 5 to 12. On plates 5, 6, 7 and 8, the number is under the 3rd stamp of the 8th horizontal row, in line with the register marking. On plates 9, 10, 11 and 12, it is from 3 to 4 mm. to the left of the register marking.

On the old type watermarked paper, a number of varieties exist as to position of the watermark—upright, reversed, inverted, and inverted and reversed. The normal position is sideways, with the top of the crown to the left.

Large numbers of this denomination are used, as it represents the inland as well as Empire letter rate. The plates contain but 40 subjects (8 horizontal rows of 5 stamps each), the stamp being of large size, measuring 42x22 mm.

There would have been much less demand for this value had the new rates advised by the Postmaster for Jamaica, and published in *The Gazette* of 16th March, 1922, been made effective on the 1st April. The Empire letter rate was to be 2d, post cards 1½d, and foreign letters (excepting U. S. A.), 3d. The letter rate to the U. S. A. was to remain at 2½d, a concession, perhaps, in view of the 2c rate on letters which has been effective since the 1st January, 1922, *from* the States *to* Jamaica. However, the Legislative Council was in session when the new rates were announced, and strenuous representations were made to them against the increased rates, with the result that they were not made effective. The inland rates were not to be affected by the Postmaster's Notice of 16th March.

2½d Return of a Contingent, 1919.

The frame as used for the 2½d pictorial, on the old type watermarked paper, issued on Feb. 18th, 1921, contained an error in that the ensign at the left of the design was drawn in an inverted position. The Crown Agents held themselves responsible for not having detected the error, and bore the expense of having the frame design re-drawn. The new printing, from the corrected plate, was on the script watermarked paper, and although received in the island in June, did not come into issue until November 4, 1921.

The stamp on the old type watermarked paper is known with the watermark inverted and reversed.

3d Jamaica Discovered by Columbus, 1494.

The 3d on the old type watermarked paper, issued April 8th, 1921, was in use for less than a year when it was replaced March 6th, 1922, by a printing on the script watermarked paper.

Sale of Colonial Stamps in London.

The practice of supplying Colonial stamps to the stamp dealers of Great Britain, through the Crown Agents in London, which was in force for almost two years, was brought to an end at the close of 1921. The Secretary of State for Colonies, to whom many complaints had been made regarding the procedure followed, rendered the decision that in future stamp dealers and collectors should send their applications direct to the Colonial Postmasters, as formerly. Several alleged irregularities were called to the attention of the Colonial Office, not only by collectors and dealers abroad, but also by several of the Colonial Governments. In Jamaica, representations were made to the Governor, Sir Leslie Probyn, against the sale of the script watermarked stamps of the pictorial series, to London dealers, so many months in advance of issue in the Colony.

6d Port Royal.

The first printing of the 6d picturing the reading of the Declaration of Freedom from Slavery, by the Governor, Sir Lionel Smith, on the square at Spanish Town, on 1st August, 1838, was destroyed by burning last July. This printing, as well as a second, and smaller printing, was on script watermarked paper,—the size of the stamp being the same as that of the 1½d Contingent Embarking, 42x22 mm.

Due to certain local conditions existing at the time this value was to come into use, it was feared that the subject treated would cause disturbances, and issue was withheld, and later the stamps were destroyed. The second printing is still in the island, pending a report on certain investigations which are being conducted in London, as to the sale of this stamp by the Crown Agents.

Another design for the 6d stamp has been prepared and approved, having as the subject of the vignette, a view of the harbour and town of Port Royal. Meanwhile, the 6d of the George series, on script watermarked paper, issued Oct. 21, 1921, is filling this gap.

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CHAPTER XIII.

The 1884-89 Issue.

The Ministerial decree of August 29th, 1883, quoted in our last chapter, announced a change of colors for the three low value newspaper stamps coincident with the issue of the values from the De La Rue dies. It was stated that the colors would be reseda (or olive-green as the catalogues prefer to call it) for the 1 centime, yellow for the 2 centimes, and green for the 5 centimes.

The 1 centime, in its new color, was issued on January 1st, 1884, but a few months later another decree announced that its color would be changed to grey and that the stamps in this new color would be placed in circulation on July 1st, 1884. Curiously enough towards the latter part of 1888, the reseda color was again reverted to temporarily for the curious reason that the government had some ink of that color it wished to use up! A special order explained this last printing, viz.:—

"SPECIAL ORDER

Administration of
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Concerning the temporary substitution of reseda-colored ink for the grey-colored ink used for the printing of the 1 centime stamps.

September 26th, 1888.

The 1 centime stamps will be printed temporarily in reseda colored ink, so that the Administration may be able to make use of a quantity of this ink which is now in the stores.

Stamps of this color will first be issued on October 1 next. As soon as the reseda ink has been used up, the 1 centime stamp will be printed in grey as before."

The 5 centimes was the next value to appear in altered colors, a Special Order dated October 28th, 1884, announcing it as follows:—

"In accordance with the Ministerial Decree of August 29th, 1883, by which the present color of the 5 centimes stamp is ordered to be abandoned and replaced by green, the next supplies sent out by the department will include a certain quantity of those stamps printed in green.

The new stamps are not to be placed on sale until existing stocks in the old color are all exhausted."

This change was due to the recommendation of the Universal Postal Union that stamps of all countries of the values of 5, 10 and 25 centimes and their equivalents should be in green, red and blue respectively.

Finally the 2 centimes was changed in color but not until January 1st, 1889, and then, instead of appearing in the yellow color decreed in 1883, it was printed in red brown. At least that is the color it was officially christened with, but Gibbons insists it is chocolate while Scott is equally insistent that the color is purple-brown.

There was no change in the design of any of the above described three stamps and they therefore represent the longest lived of any of the Belgian designs.

The designs supplied by De La Rue in 1883, having proved so unsatisfactory, steps were at once taken to replace them, and this time the Administration turned to France and invited Mr. Eugene Mouchon, the eminent Parisian engraver, to supply suitable designs and engrave the dies for 10, 20, 25 and 50 centimes and 1 and 2 franc stamps. Mr. Mouchon accepted the commission and proceeded with the task without delay so that on June 10th, 1884, the then Minister of Public Works, Mr. X. Olin, was able to announce that the new 1 franc stamps would be issued on the 15th of that month and the 10 centimes on the 15th of July. A later decree announced the new 25 centimes value would be placed in circulation on January 1st, 1885, and a still later decree stated that the remaining values of the series—20 and 50 centimes and 2 francs—would be issued on January 1st, 1886.

The portrait is the same on all six values and shows the effigy of Leopold II in profile looking to left. While it may be a more accurate piece of portraiture than that of the ill-fated stamps of 1883 it is hardly more flattering. Mr. de Bont says "in the beard are certain control marks, viz., R7 and 35". We imagine Mr. Mouchon has more than once received credit for inserting something he never intended in designs he engraved—the "death-mask" in the Serbian stamps of 1904, is an instance readily recalled—and so it is with these alleged control marks. They are nothing more nor less than part of the shading of the beard and the fact that they have a rough resemblance to the letter R and figures 735 in pure coincidence. The borders are all entirely different so that, but for the portrait, they bear no points in common indicating that they form the same series. All bear the inscription "Postes Belgique" and, somewhere in the lower portion of the designs, the engravers initials "E M" in monogram form. It is hardly necessary to give a detailed description of the borders of the several values for our illustrations "speak for themselves". It will, we think, be generally admitted that they are rather spoiled by over-elaboration. Some of the ornamentation is highly fanciful and its direct connection with Belgium is difficult to follow, while in one case, the 20 centimes, the whole effect of the design is spoiled by the absurd and distorted angles at which the numerals of value are shown.

The dies, as already stated, were the work of Mr. Mouchon while the plates were made in Malines and the stamps all printed there. The plates followed the usual arrangement and all contained 300 stamps.

They were printed on unwatermarked paper which was slightly tinted beforehand in blue for the 10 centimes, grey for the 20 centimes, rose for the 25 centimes, buff for the 50 centimes, green for the 1 franc and pale lilac for the 2 francs.

The 10 centimes is known on greyish paper, evidently some of that intended for the 20c; while Mr. Bouvez says that the first printing of this value comprised 5,000 sheets of white paper, and that in one printing of all values the paper was tinted after the stamps were printed. Both of these statements are open to serious question.

(To be continued.)

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—We have received a copy of a little house organ of B. W. H. Poole on whose interesting pages we think we detect traces of the practiced hand of Bill Bloss, who evidently is now acclimated to Los Angeles and quite at home there as a gentlemanly stamp salesman.

—Ross O'Shaughnessy of San Francisco, accompanied by his sister, spent several days in Chicago's stamptown. Mr. O'Shaughnessy is proceeding by easy stages to the British Isles where he will spend the summer. Incidentally, he will attend the next section of the Ferrari sale. Mr. O'Shaughnessy, a strong partizan of British colonials, is leading a fine string of them across the water.

—In several high school and other scholastic papers, we have noticed recently the adds of stamp dealers. We have a copy of the *Pioneer* of the Frankford High School and notice announcements of Messrs. Wolsieffer and Mann on its advertising pages.

—The Midland Stamp Co., Toronto, Canada, has just issued a wholesale pricelist covering a wide range of offerings. Mixtures, packets, dealers' stocks, supplies and stamps per ten and hundred are offered at attractive prices. Specimen on request.

—J. Harold Blackney of Saginaw, Mich., is away on a six weeks' trip to San Francisco. This will account for any delay in answering correspondence.

—We have been favored with a newspaper clipping giving an interesting story of the travels of George W. Sulman of Chatham, Ont. We hope to publish it at least in part in some future number of our paper.

—The Elite Stamp Co., 1482 Broadway, N. Y. City, announces the theft of a number of stamps from their office valued at between four and five thousand dollars. The firm states that the stamps were stolen by a young man of about thirty who has been in the habit of frequenting the different stamp shops, purchasing a few dollars' worth or offering expensive stamps for sale, meanwhile pilfering all that he can lay his hands on. The party has in his possession a Brunswick stamp No. 14, catalog value $175, which has been reported by Mr. Dietrich as having been stolen from him six months ago. Will New York dealers interested confer immediately with the Elite Stamp Co.?

TRIBUTE TO WILLIS KING.

We take the liberty of extracting the following from a letter just at hand from Mrs. Wallace Dana Smith of Portsmouth, N. H. The name of Mrs. Smith will be quite familiar to many of our readers for the reason that for many years she has been actively interested in U. S. revenue stamps, including match and medicine.

Were you acquainted with Willis D. King (son of the late Col. King), of Nashua, N. H.?

His only relative, a sister, Mrs. Winfred (King) Judkins, wrote me that Willis was buried May 3. He had been in poor health over a year.

He was an old stamp collector, having been at it nearly, if not over forty years. His special favorite was Match and Medicine and Revenues of which he had a *very* fine one, and numerous duplicates. He had at one time (when he worked for Dunn) an office in Manchester, N. H., and there I attended my first stamp meeting. Have not seen his collection for many years, and he may have disposed of the duplicates and the U. S., as he was not as strong after the postage stamps as he was M. and M.

He was, at one time, a member of the A. P. S., the N. E. Phil. Assn. and American Envelope Society, Consolidated, but whether he was at the time of his decease, can not say.

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ria, 3, 4, 5, 7½ & 10k ..... .10
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os. 136-144 ..... .07
os. 251-257 ..... .10
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os. 158 167, No 160 ..... .40
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By A. H. PIKE.

Never before have philatelists been more interested in postmarks and cancellation than they are this year. For a great many the early U. S. will always hold their supreme interest but there is such a keen rivalry for these stamps that it is impossible for many to indulge in them to the extent that they would like to. They are seeking other fields and the second choice is usually the advertising marks that the U. S. and Canada have used so extensively for the past ten years or more. Here is a field where specimens can be purchased for a few cents. Most of them record local or national events of importance, they are usually clear and distinct and represent the work of artists at an original cost for dies ranging from $15.00 to $20.00 each.

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Rather than listing each city and repeating the wording of the indicia under each, we thought it best to arrange alphabetically the different indicias and under each of these an alphabetical list of cities where these were in use, giving the make of the machine, number of dies and the year in which used. Each indicia could be numbered in series of ten so that future issues could be added. In this way another check list of cities could be made and after each city just the number of the indicias included. Illustrations, of course, would include general designs of the mark rather than an illustration of all complete postmarks and cancellations.

We have succeeded in tracing up the manufacturers of all machine postal markings and have considerable data regarding each which would add considerable interest to this check list. We would like to have readers write us their views on above and would greatly appreciate any further suggestions. Please address all mail on this subject to A. H. Pike, 80 Grant St., Buffalo, N. Y.

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The Philatelic Society held its regular meeting on April 4, 1922.

The chief event was the distribution of a valuable collection of stamps. This collection was given by Mr. Charles Megargle of Frankford (a Dad), to be distributed among the boys of the club.

After this, several addresses were delivered. Mr. Sittig, the club's adviser, talked about "The probable value of stamps fifty years from now." Konorowski gave a talk on "The proper and best way to hinge stamps." The entire program was received enthusiastically.

A committee has been appointed to take charge of all future members. This committee consists of Komorowski, Weber, Putney and Turkheimer.

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EDITORIAL.

Shout—As we are now out of the woods, we may do a little shouting in order to relieve some of the suppressed enthusiasm that we have for an accomplishment that is without parallel in the annals of philatelic publishing. In a word, we may announce the materialization of the Philatelic Dictionary from the land of promise, the book that for many years has engaged the attention of its compilers and publishers, almost constantly. When Mr. Poole began his list in the distant past, it was not thought that it would require so long a time before the finished product would be available, but as the work of collation progressed the scope of the word-book was enlarged in order that a real dictionary would be made, one that would be accepted as standard by philatelists. With the assistance of a number of brilliant co-adjutants, Messrs. Poole and Wylie kept perseveringly at their tasks and with revisions, additions and other changes the work was one to test strong determination. The problems of publishing were numerous and Mr. Jewett was under the necessity of buckling down to his printing job in a painstaking way. The pounds of metal had to be guarded and yet ready for quick changes. The usual routine obstacles had to be overcome and it is only fair to all the gentlemen who have helped so intelligently in the work of preparation that due acknowledgment be made of their intelligent persistence.

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Serve—The office of the Dictionary will be to serve philatelists. We know perhaps best of all how dependent the majority of collectors are on scattered sources of information for answers to rudimentary questions suggested by the stamp in their inscriptions. Collectors for years maintain their collections without satisfying their desire for knowledge of the words that pertain to stamps. Now, in one book will be found the definitions of all the words that make up the language of stamps, and the Philatelic Dictionary is to be had at a price that will make it popular. Two dollars expended for a work of this kind certainly will prove to be an investment that the months will justify; and in a broader sense the Dictionary will have a most beneficial effect in placing philately squarely in the minds of philatelists and the outsiders, as well.

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Sioux—Several months ago, a correspondent sent for inspection an envelope bearing a three-cent of 1851, that had been sent from an eastern city to Galena, Illinois. The owner was interested in the address that the letter bore and asked for information about it. As we recall the address on the envelope, it was: "Chief Commissioner of Sioux Indian Treaty, Galena, Ill." We were unable to give our reader any satisfactory explanation at the time and so told him. In an old periodical dated in 1852, we have just found the following notice which we infer is pertinent to the inquiry: "The United States Commissioner to the Western Indians with his suite, recently arrived in Galena, Ill., from Mendota and St. Paul. The treaty with the Lower Sioux bands was signed on the 5th of August, 1852. These bands are to receive when they have reached their destination some $225,000 to pay their debts and expenses of removal and an annuity of money of about $30,000 for fifty years. The lands treated for with the lower bands amount to some 16 millions of acres and lie along and West of the Mississippi from the Iowa State Line north to the Falls of St. Anthony and above. The amount paid for this immense territory when the treaties will have been fully carried out will amount to the sum of nearly three millions of dollars."

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Sorrow—American collectors have read of the death of Major Edward B. Evans of England, one of the world's foremost philatelists whose life of seventy-five years has spanned that of philately. When Major Evans was stationed at Bermuda, he devoted much time to stamp work and his studies were regarded with highest respect. He contributed his Philatelic Catalogue, 1840-1890 to the old *Philatelic Journal of America*, which was founded in 1885. This catalogue of nearly five hundred pages was published in 1891, as a separate volume and contained a frontispiece of Edward B. Evans, Major British Royal Artillery. He was perhaps the first philatelist to worthily present the issues of the Confederate States and his articles on them in the *American Philatelist* were a feature of official journal of the American Philatelic Society. To Major Evans must redound the credit for uncovering the wealth of philatelic material afforded by the stamps of the Confederacy. It was about 1889 that Major Evans visited this country and we remember him as having attended a meeting of the Chicago Philatelic Society at the old Grand Pacific Hotel where he was the guest of honor. His reputation at that time as an advanced student of stamps was secure and the later years have added to his laurels. It is fitting that this great exponent of true philately should have been engaged in active stamp work on the day of his death, which took place soon after he had finished some notes on the stamps of Duttia.

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Start—In the *Red Envelope*, published by the U. S. Envelope Company, for March, 1922, a copy of which we have received from Mr. D. D. Berolzheimer, we find in Mr. Logan's history of early envelope making an interesting reference to the first postal card contract, entered into by the government and the Morgan Envelope Company, as follows: "In 1873, the government for the first time issued postal cards and to the Morgan Envelope Company was awarded the first contract. The early postal cards were printed with an artistic design, consisting in part of scroll-work border in a rich brown ink. We found it very hard to match the shade of ink exactly, and were unable to get our best efforts past the inspector. We had the best talent we could secure but there was no time to be lost and we were working nights as well as Sundays. Finally, one evening we seemed to have succeeded in getting an exact match, so we kept the Hoe Printing Press we had bought for the work doing all it could all night, but 'by the dawn's early light' we found our gaslight brown a daylight purple. At last, however, the difficulty was overcome and prejudice aside, I think we made better postal cards than have ever been made by any later contractors."

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Second—Some weeks ago we received a long letter from a member of the American Philatelic Society dealing with problems that concern only the society which we thought we might use in some way or other in our columns. We now have a second letter from our correspondent expressing impatience at our delay in publishing his communication. Here we must say that it is not within our province to publish correspondence that basically is of interest to members only. When the questions involved have a general or public appeal, we do not feel this disinclination. We are pleased to see evidences of interest in the workings of the society on the part of members but for purely society discussion the journal of the A. P. S. is the recognized channel of publicity. We made this explanation in order to avoid any misunderstanding.

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"More Money in America than Abroad", says Charles J. Phillips.

(This interesting clipping is from the New York *Times*. It will prove readable. There are so few philatelists who are associated with International Rotary under the classification of "Philately" that the managing editor is pleased to extend a welcome to a brother Rotarian bound for the world convention to be held in Los Angeles, June 5-10.—W. O. W.)

King George of England was a bidder through an agent for the British Guiana postage stamp which recently sold for more than $32,000 at the auction sale in Paris of the Ferrari collection, but the prize was obtained for Arthur Hind of Utica, according to Charles J. Phillips, who arrived here last week from London as a delegate from the London Rotary Club to the International Rotary Convention in Los Angeles from June 5 to 10.

Mr. Phillips is known among stamp collectors not only as the head of the Stanley Gibbons firm of London, probably the largest stamp dealers in the world, but also as the author of many authoritative works on philately.

"There is more money in America than abroad," said Mr. Phillips yesterday at the Hotel Biltmore, "and that is the reason why his Majesty King George was disappointed in not obtaining what is acknowledged to be the scarcest of all postage stamps. I feel safe in saying that his collection of the stamps of Great Britain and the British Colonies is the finest in the world."

Mr. Phillips said that for several years he has known of Mr. Hind's collection, which is particularly rich in United States stamps, and gave him credit for doing a great deal toward raising the standard of scientific collecting in this country. Mr. Hind is a manufacturer of Utica, being President of the Clark Mills and other industrial plants. Besides buying the prize of the Ferrari collection, Mr. Hind also acquired at the same sale all of the choicest United States Postmasters' stamps, including the unique Boscawen (N. H.), five-cent stamp, on an envelope, for $11,250; the Lockport stamp for $8,100, the Alexandria and ten-cent Baltimore stamps for $6,500 each, and the New Haven five-cent stamp, on the original envelope, for $5,250. The Alexandria stamp was the five-cent on buff paper, and is one of only three known copies, while the ten-cent Baltimore stamp was on the original envelope.

"The high prices paid for the fine stamps in the Ferrari sale," said Mr. Phillips, "has had a marked effect in stimulating renewed interest in philately by discriminating collectors and there is already a tendency toward a considerable increase in prices for perfect specimens of early issues. It may interest American collectors to know that just before I sailed, a well known American told me that as he could not compete with the princely book collectors in this country he wished to turn his attention to postage stamps and asked me to assist him in making a complete collection if possible of all the stamps issued by the belligerent nations during the late war.

"These war stamps, by the way, apart from their general interest, have a vital educational value and I believe that, in the next few years, the attention of collectors will be prominently directed in that field. The Marquis of Bute was the first to appreciate the future value of these war issues and has the finest collection in the world."

While many American collectors do not devote such scientific study to the various phases of philately, Mr. Phillips said that the standard was steadily advancing here and he cited Charles Lathrop Pack, President of the American Forestry Association, John N. Luff, Dr. Carroll Chase, William L. Stevenson Stanley B. Ashbrook and A. Hatfield, Jr., as among the prominent American collectors who have devoted thorough educational study to the issues of different countries.

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When many were made homeless by the San Francisco earthquake, needy stamp collectors were helped by the N. Y. Stamp Society from the proceeds of an auction sale, to which collectors and dealers made contributions.

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We have cause to be proud of the past of the N. Y. Stamp Society. Seeing you assembled here to-night with good will and enthusiasm in your faces, we may confidently look forward to a glorious future.

Before closing, I want to mention those of our members who are no longer among the living. Let us rise in silent tribute to our sadly missed friends while I read their names:—J. Levy, our first Pres.: G. Anthonics, C. B. Bostwick, H. Grossman, L. Harris, C. Jancovich, C. Lehman, H. Lutz, C. J. Morris, L. Phillip, P. Stypman, F. M. Thomas, A. M. Trujillo, G. R. Tuttle, F. J. Wolfram and B. Wolfram.

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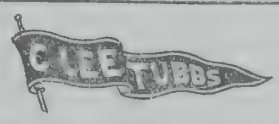

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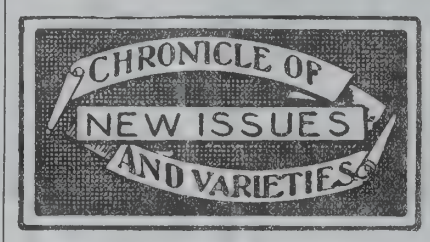

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Mr. John A. Klemann of the Nassau Stamp Company has shown me a single mint copy of the 2c Panama-Pacific, perforated 12, watermarked single line U S P S in a deep lake shade differing from any that I have seen heretofore. The stamp seems to be on a paper with a somewhat grayish tinge but due to the fact that gum covers one side and the engraving most of the other, it is difficult to see the paper itself. It is certainly not some of the bluish rag paper left over from the 1908 series, for it will be recalled that the latter was a double line watermarked paper whereas this is single. It is said that they were purchased from the San Francisco Post Office at the time of use.

Mr. E. H. Gammans calls our attention to the fact that he has located a mint strip of four of the 3c grill, issue of 1870, three of which show grill and one is without. As a whole the seventy grills are a poor lot and more stamps that were actually supposed to be grilled missed the impression of the grill roller than those that received it. It is for this very reason that stamps of this issue are so difficult to obtain with decent grills.

In a recent issue mention was made of the fact that Mr. G. A. Albrecht had found at his office some of the 2c stamps bearing plate No. 5990. Mr. W. R. McCoy now calls attention to the fact that this is without doubt some plate that has been recently finished and that he found them in the New York office mixed in with a lot of the 13400 range. Plate No. 5990 was reported uncompleted for some reason at the time it should have been finished and the small "F" in front of the plate number indicates that it must have been finished here of late.

On page 236 of MEKEEL'S for May 13th, Mr. J. W. Sampson in his very interesting article on the 7 cent vermilion states that the Continental Bank Note Company "took over the plates then being used by the National Bank Note Company and began printing." Mr. Luff tells us on page 130 of his well known book that "The new contractors (meaning the Continental) also made haste to provide themselves with new plates, made from the altered dies, that they might not be required to make use of *any* of the plates of their predecessors. By the date of the commencement of their contract they had an ample supply of plates for *all values* from the one cent to the fifteen cent inclusive." There had been quite a little complaint about the product of the National Company and consequently the new concern was especially anxious to avoid any confusion in the mixing of stocks. Since Mr. Luff's work appeared in 1901, there has been no facts advanced to prove that the Continental Company ever used the 7c plate of the National and consequently this is evidently a slip on Mr. Sampson's part.

Further on in the same article we find, "The designs of the 1870-71 issue being entirely satisfactory, the only change made was to add an identification mark to each of the dies (except the three high values)." This is incorrect, for the secret marks were also added to the three high values and may be seen in the proofs. Plates, however, from these three dies were never laid down for it was 1874 before the Continental people were called upon for stamps of the 24c, 30c and 90c denominations and by that time they evidently thought that any of the National products in the several post offices would be so small that there would be little likelihood of any turnback. In the case of these three values they used the National plates.

Mr. Sampson also describes a variety which he designates as "Figure 8", wherein the cross lines surrounding the head of Stanton run into the white surrounding frame. He states that this is "perhaps a retouching of the plate". Such a variety is to be found on many of our issues and should be classified as a shift. It is certainly not a retouch for it cannot be imagined that an engraver doing the crudest kind of work would take a graver and add lines where no lines were intended.

The "Figure 7" shows the well known position line and dot which are to be found in the case of all of our early stamps. They are put on the plate first as a guide in transferring and if it were possible to study a complete sheet of the 7c it would, no doubt, be seen that these dots occurred in certain places uniformly throughout the sheet, in some cases the design covering the dot and line as is supposed to be the case.

Mr. H. Clay Reed sends two unchronicled varieties of the provisional envelopes for our inspection. One came from Hagerstown and the other from Boston, although they were both overprinted in Washington by what we formerly designated as the fourth Washington type. The die was later sent to St. Louis and we now classify it as St. Louis (III-9).

1920-21, 2c on 3c Provisional Envelopes.
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We also wish to thank Messrs. F. R. Demmerly and Fred. Klingensbern for notes of interest.

AUSTRIA.—Mr. Eugene Klein and the Economist Stamp Co. submit to us for chronicle a set of seven stamps each bearing the likeness of a noted musician. The stamps are of a large square shape perforated and of the following values and colors: 2½kr brown, with portrait of Hayden; 5kr dull blue, portrait of Mozart; 7½kr grey black, Beethoven; 10kr lilac, Schubert; 25kr olive, Burchner; 50kr red lilac, Strauss and 100kr olive brown, Wolf. At the top is the usual lettering "Oesterreich" and at the base the figures of value and "Kronen".

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a. The stamps will be the Lee-
slands current issue with the word
da" printed across them. No in-
ion has been given to us as to
lenominations are to be so over-
.—*Whitfield King & Co.'s Bulletin.*

IUM.—Mr. Henry Hooreman sub-
) us another value in the set of
post stamps mentioned last week.
fr is the latest and the color is

ENLAND.—In both our previous
ces to this so-called State we tried
ey our own impression as to the
ss status of its speculative issues.
W. E. Hughes, who has first-hand
dge of the stamps—and stunts—
w European "countries", writes:
h regard to the overprints of
ber to December, 1921, the Hun-
Government published a notice,
9/1922, dated February 13th, 1922,
ting these stamps and stating they
sued *through the neglect or ignor-*
a single post office official. They
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far as the definite (?) issue, men-
on page 46, is concerned, I under-
hat in this case even the single
post office official was omitted,
the 50,000 sets are for 50,000
one mug one set!
ore the overprinted Hungaria
were officially repudiated there
nsiderable discussion among the
n the Continent as to the strange-
f the stamps being all in one
hands."—*Stamp Collecting.*

ARK.—The Economist Stamp Co.
of the appearance of the 1kr of
e of A16 in brown with blue

H INDIES.—Writing from Java
late of February 22nd, our valued
ondent, Mr. L. Andree, notifies us

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of the issue on that day of the provisional 60f on 1 gulden stamp. The 80c on 1g also chronicled was then exhausted and promises to be scarce.—*Philatelic Magazine.*

GOLD COAST.—Mr. J. A. Galbraith has advised us of the appearance of a 1½d in a red shade and a 3d in blue color both on the script watermarked paper.

GUATEMALA.—The Metropolitan Stamp Co. submit to us for chronicle the 60c and the 90c of the 1919 issue surcharged "1922 25 Centavos" in three lines in black.

HEJAZ.—According to the *Collectors Club Philatelist* this country has brought out two surcharged issues and one of permanent (?) design almost simultaneously. The surcharges are stated to read "Land of the Prophet".

MALTA.—Mr. Frank Pollard Brown submits a sheet of the recent farthing on 2d and the only minor varieties that are noticed are the "i" in farthing without the dot and a broken "g" in the same word.

Mr. Louis Carabott informs us that the General Post Office is only selling one sheet of the farthing on 2d to each applicant and it is necessary to leave your name and address in order that there may be no repeats. Mr. Carabott also adds that the 6d, old C.A. watermark surcharged Self-Government is unobtainable at the General Post Office.

NICARAGUA.—The Metropolitan Stamp Co. report the 2c stamp of the type of the same value of the 1914 issue in a carmine shade.

SPAIN.—We are in receipt of the following information regarding the Spanish air mail stamps in imperforate pairs. The number issued is as follows: 5c, 200 copies; 10c, 100 copies; 50c, 300 copies and 1 peseta, 100 copies. No 25c were issued imperforate. Also the regular 10c air mail stamp is obsolete. Mr. Eugene Klein has kindly submitted the above mentioned stamps and gives the information.

ST. LUCIA.—The 3d has been printed in ultramarine on script watermarked paper and Mr. J. A. Galbraith sends us a copy for chronicle.

UPPER SILESIA.—Mr. Pollitz of the Frank P. Brown Co., advises that he has received the following surcharges of this country: 60 pf overprinted "4 M"; 75 pf overprinted "10 M" and the 80pf, "20 M". All the printings are in black.

ZANZIBAR.—We understand the 3c orange, Script CA, is now on issue—*Stamp Collecting.*

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I will start with the postscri letter I received some time ag a well-known collector, who epi cally wrote "It's not a darn bit buying books if you don't read The same might be said of stamps the books have been bought, a haps paid for, and to-night we w mence reading the first chapter book of "New Zealand."

Glancing at the preface it is "The charm of studying the e sues of any country is the nun problems presented to the stud solution. As the years go by these are solved, yet often there a host of difficult questions unan and the status of some of the themselves are surrounded in a obscurity." So it is with the e sues of New Zealand.

The author of the following pa endeavoured to point out some problems, and though he lays n to having solved any, his notes tempts may be of some use to oth dents. He takes it for grante readers have a superficial knowl may be obtained by the posses Gibbons' Catalogue and occa looking at the same.

1. The Problem of the London

In Gibbons' 1895 Catalogue we three values listed on white an paper. Though the 1d. blued is and four years later it is not me at all. The 1/- on white also dis in a subsequent edition, to reap No. 3 many years later. Surely something nebulous here. Do stamps really exist? It is stran this point has not been definitely long ago.

A dated copy on original o blocks of the six varieties, their g ness sworn to by an expert a prejudiced committee, would s matter at rest for all time. Unfo ly, no collector has so far produ required evidence, and we are theorising and speculation.

These stamps at present have hypothetical existence. but may, planet Uranus, be discovered long wards. The question will be solved when we know for certai caused the bluing of the paper.

If we examine any stamps sli blued, we notice that where the the design is thickest. the bluing back is more pronounced, giving varieties in some cases of ivory This is proof that the particul used has something to do wi matter.

The next question is, was it th or the gum, or both? There divers opinions on the subject, most hold that the gum has n to do with it. I have come two reasons that make me that the gum is the other resp factor, while the paper acts as between. Firstly, "Blucher's In Chemistry," page 489, says that t for finding out whether paper is p sized is to coat each side of the with different chemicals (enume and on a well-sized paper no takes place, while a badly-sized becomes discolored. Secondly, M "Line Engraved Stamps of Britain," page 35, tells us that about 1855 (note the date) the gu chemicals added to it to incre adhesiveness. Now given iron in and the other portion of the compo the paper or gum, Turnbull's Ber Prussian blue, would be formed. there is iron in most inks except ca which is an animal dye prepared cochineal. The colour of No. 1 Zealand is dull carmine. and Australia No. 2 ditto, therefore stamps only appear on blued paper they have been faked as such. T easily done by soaking in copper su and easily detected, as a little cleanses us of this deed, while the tion of ammonia will turn the stamp into the next issue. In supp the gummy hypothesis, and to co

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the matter, I would point out that though they still used "star" paper and inks containing iron, and only the mucilage altered, a few years after blued paper and ivory heads ceased to emanate.

Having dispensed with No. 1a, what about No. 3? This, of course, is a most conceivable stamp, but I am still looking for a dated copy. It is well worth noting that over a quarter of a million penny stamps and one million 2d stamps were printed before the "1862 stars," so there should be no difficulty in distinguishing the later "stars" from the London prints, as the impressions particularly as regards pearls in the crown are not so distinct. An additional guide is the colour of the 2d, which has a slight greenish tinge, and the 1d is only approached by a shade in 1864 when the plate shows wear. The 1/- is a different matter. There is not the colour distinction, and as only 100 sheets, more or less, had been printed up to 1862, the plate shows no lack of detail. Here the postmark will give great assistance, but these are reserved for another chapter.

2. The Problem of the Blue Papers.

This issue was printed by Richardson, in Auckland. The terms of the contract were that the Government had to find the paper while the printer found the ink and gum. Well, the Government could not find the paper. They had apparently mislaid 3,000 sheets sent out with the plates. Government departments always have a plentiful supply of red tape and blue paper, so Richardson got both, and printed stamps on the latter. (You will find some of the red tape in "History of New Zealand Stamps," page 49). Some of this blue paper shows a watermark of "Charles Skipper and East London." Also it is possible for that of "WILLIAMS
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to appear, as paper with these watermarks was in use by the Government by that time. Perhaps someone will be able to plate these watermarks! Note that the paper varies considerably, which points to that of the different makers being used.

3. The Problem of the 1857 "Star."

Some of the paper above referred to appears to have come to light, as recently a 1d has been found undoubtedly printed by Richardson. I have a copy, and other copies in three pairs exist in New Zealand, perhaps more.

Now, as there was nothing wrong with the star paper, the natural question is: Did Richardson print any other values besides the 2d? I am of the opinion that he did, and that by assiduous attention to shades and postmarks, more especially dated ones, we shall be able to add to the list.

4. Note on the Richardson "White Paper" issue.

I have not seen of late any attempt at classifying the papers of this issue. The papers I have come across are:—

a. Thick soft porous paper like the latter date "Waterlow's."

b. Medium thickness and hard paper.

c. A much thinner paper.

The 1d seems mostly on soft paper. The 2d on hard paper is not uncommon, but I have never seen either of the 1/- or any other paper than *"a."* "C" variety is much scarcer. Two stamps of this issue are listed perf. 13: The 2d, which everyone has seen, and the 6d, a great rarity.

These stamps were not perforated until eight months after Richardson had finished them, so were probably some remainders of stock overlooked by the Postal Department, and it is not likely that any other values exist but "Peutetre, on ne sait pas," though to show what surprising things turn up, Sir Heaton Rhodes has found a 2d pale blue on the thin paper "c." This stamp is probably rarer than the 6d.

5. The Problems of the "Pelures."

Firstly, was this issue printed in 1862? This is a very important matter, as if so it would have been printed by Richardson, whose contract did not expire until April 15th of that year, while Davies started in February as the Government Printer of stamps. He, being a Perkins Bacon man, and having with him sufficient "star" paper, is not likely to have used any other. To my mind, there is no doubt that the issue was printed at the close of 1862, although it would be just as well to consider the pros and cons.

For being Printed by Richardson

The Catalogue says that they were printed early in 1862, and it is quite likely that, being just at the end of his job, Richardson would be more likely to use any old paper to finish up with, than a new man with a large supply of good paper. This is the only argument in favour of Richardson, but is a good one, provided the Catalogue date is correct.

Against we have several—

Firstly, nearly all dated copies show December '62 to '63 as being the average dates, and the very few earlier dates known may be a misreading of the date, which is an easy matter. Then the colours of the 1d, 6d, and 1/- is undoubtedly the shades of the Davies "stars" of '62. Thirdly, the 3d, which we know exists unused, could not have been printed before December, 1862, as the plate had not arrived in the Colony before then.

Until conclusive evidence to the contrary turns up, I think we may safely say the Pelures were printed by Davies in the latter end of 1862, and perhaps he found it necessary to make use of the Pelure paper again at a later date.

The next Pelure problem is: Why the change of colour in the 2d?

The ink used appears to be an almost fugitive ultramarine. As the ink fetched out from London gave excellent results on this paper, the only inference is that, like the "star" paper, there was, too, a shortage of ink.

The 3d has caused a lot of excitement one way and another. Quite a number of collectors who have not seen it will not credit its existence. I am sorry I cannot exhibit one, but I have it on good authority that Mr. A. T. Bate at one time possessed two copies unused. And I, for one, am quite ready to credit this, I think the colour has been misnamed though, as Mr. B. Goodfellow points out that it must have been a brown-lilac, as the other shades were not printed until later. However, as there are not a number of shades of 3d Pelures, "Gibbons" may have followed their usual custom of naming a single simple colour where only one shade is known. The argument that, "because they have the colour wrong the stamp was probably a fake" is childish in the extreme.

What probably took place was this:—

The new supply of "star" paper and the plate of 3d stamps were sent out together from London on 24th July, 1862 (L. P., Jan., 1919), and arrived in New Zealand in November when the Pelures were being printed. Davies' first concern would be the new plate that

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6. The Problem of the '62 "Stars."

As this paper is getting rather longer than I intended, I will refer you to Mr. Goodfellow's excellent articles in the "L.P." for details, and briefly mention the following:—

There are three separate issues of Imperf. "Stars" since '62, the first being the '62 issue as per the Catalogue, except Nos. 49, 50, 51a, 55, 57, 58, 60a, and a few shades of other numbers.

The next being an issue in '66 when the perforating machine broke down, and these should be listed as imperf. varieties of "110-125." I have come across most of these imperf. varieties though some belong to the next emanation when the machine broke down in 1868. These latter two might be well classed together as imperf. Varieties up to 1871 are known, and some may have been temporary mishaps and others of longer duration.

7. Lastly, I come to the Issue on N.Z. Paper.

Little is known about this paper. From the appearance of the stamps and the excellent way they have lasted all these years, combined with a distinctive "N.Z." watermark, it is to be wondered that so few sheets, comparatively, were printed. Perhaps the explanation is in the cost of paper. The large "star" was in general use throughout the colonies, and as a stock line was probably a cheaper factor; this would concern Governments of earlier days nearly as much as now.

Another point that I don't think has been definitely settled is, was the paper in use for the '72 "N.Z." the same as this? I think not. To me, the paper seems different, and the "N.Z." in the latter issue appears smaller. Also it is not likely that they would have kept this paper idle for eight years, is it? This brings us to the end of the Imperf. full faces, though by no means propounds all the problems in connection with them. —*N.Z. Stamp Collector.*

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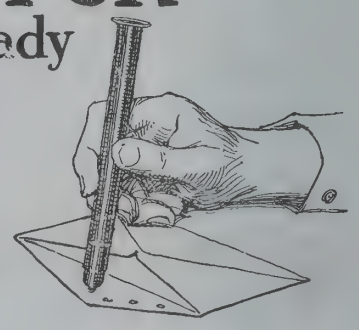

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Sailing from San Francisco on October twelfth, the first stop was Honolulu. This I found as beautiful as ever, in fact it is to me more beautiful every time I visit it. I visited the palace, where I had never been before. It was full of memories of the sovereigns of old Hawaii. I visited the room where Queen Liliuokalani was virtually a prisoner, and where she wrote the immortal "Aloha Oe", and the throne room, lined with the portraits of Hawaiian monarchs and princes, many of them familiar to the stamp-collector.

At the end of October I landed for the third time in Dai Nippon, which I discussed in my last series of papers. I found business in a bad way there (the first of the world-depression in 1920, made itself evident in Japan), and everyone was on tiptoe about the Washington Conference, then in session. In fact, the cables were so congested with lengthy press despatches that all commercial messages were delayed.

In Yokohama I found nothing philatelically interesting. In fact, I have never found a well-equipped stamp-shop in Japan. It may exist, but such stamps as I have ever bought in the Land of the Rising Sun were obtained in curio shops, or in places where tobacco and post-cards were sold.

Leaving Yokohama for Kyoto, I took the train on which Premier Hara was to travel, the night on which he was assassinated at Tokyo Station. As he made up my bed, my boy told me, in his quaint Tokyo dialect—Japan has its dialects—of the murder. All Japan was intensely excited over it.

After traversing the country and spending some time in Kyoto, I settled for six weeks in Kobe, the business centre of Japan. There I picked up a few, but very few stamps. The most interesting things I obtained were the commemorative stamps of the last few years, cancelled with a special cancellation of the event which they commemorated. I was in the city when the "Kaga", latest of the Super-Dreadnaught, (scrapped by the Conference) was launched. I was awakened at 6.00 A.M. by the tramp, tramp, tramp of the wooden shoes of the school children, who were being marshalled along the wharves and streets in seemingly countless numbers to see the launching. Each carried a flag, and interspersed were bands playing Sousa marches and national airs. Of course, all was excitement, and the government issued special picture postcards of the event, and a special postmark was used. This gave the occasion to the street-vendors to get rid of their old stocks of specially cancelled cards of the Crown-Prince's return, other launchings, etc.

I spent my week-ends at Kyoto, but postage stamps were not to be found there. So I contented myself with outings to Sakamoto and Takao and Lake Biwa with Japanese friends, and in squatting on the tatami around the hibachi, selecting color-prints to add to my collection, and learning more about the old artists, their lives, the sources of their inspiration, and their technique. More than ever I realised that the first requisite to really understanding a people is to know their language, and I have never regretted the long hours I spent with book and brush, in learning to speak and read and write Japanese.

From Kobe I went by train to Shimonoseki, and embarked for Fusan, Korea. The Straits of Korea can be mighty rough, and most of the passengers were seasick before the night was over.

The landing at Fusan was most interesting, as the Koreans are entirely different in appearance, physique and clothes, from both the Chinese and Japanese. And they *are* dirty. As one Korean said to me, shamefacedly, "The Japanese wash their bodies, but never their clothes, the Koreans their clothes, but never their bodies, and the Chinese neither." The Koreans dress in long white gowns, and the great majority still wear the ridiculous, tiny horsehair hat, with a very wide brim, and a crown

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just large enough to cover their topknot. This, perched on the top of their head, with their vacuous expressions and white robes, reminds one of a lot of silly penguins strutting along.

This is not the place to discuss Japanese policies or administration in Korea. Suffice it to say that I enjoyed my stay in Seoul immensely, even though snow fell the first night of my visit. The Nandaimon Gate is one of the most beautiful, if not the most beautiful gateway which I have ever seen in East Asia, and the Old Palace, where the queen was murdered in 1895, the White Buddha outside the city, Independence Gate, Great Bell Street and the native quarters, both by day and by night are constant sources of interest.

Of stamps I saw none, save a few miserable specimens offered at outrageous prices at the hotel shop. No one seems to have any for sale, and my dreams of adding to my collection of Korea here in its capital was not realised. So I comforted myself with the purchase of a really fine old Korean brass-decorated chest, old brass candle sticks, and some Korean curiosities,—wooden shoes, pipes and the like.

From Seoul I set out one brilliant snowy morning for Mukden,—the Feng Tien of the Chinese. The road was through dreary country, with but few large towns, except Ping Yang. At about nine P. M. we came to historic ground, the Ya Lu River, where the decisive battle of the Sino-Japanese War was fought. I had the whole story graphically told me by old residents. There is at present a fine bridge across the river, and at Antung, on the farther side, we were technically out of Japanese territory, and on Chinese soil. However, it took more than the cursory customs examination, and the presence of a few Chinese officials to persuade me, and it was not until we passed through the Great Wall at Shan Hai Kuan, that I felt we had left Japanese authority and influence behind. In fact, Japanese money is current in Southern Manchuria, the shopkeepers and business men speak Japanese, and even the chauffeurs and hotel people are largely Japanese.

At six o'clock of a black December morning we arrived at Mukden, famous for the battle between Japanese and Russian troops, where was settled, for a time at least, the question of whose influence should prevail in Manchuria and Liaotung. The weather was cold, the ground thick with snow-covered ice, the temperature at 6° below zero. I bundled into an automobile and went out to the North Tombs, where are buried the first of the Manchu Emperors of China. It was a dreary ride, through interminable cemeteries full of nameless mounds. It was all most interesting, and I only regret that it is impossible to reproduce for you here some of the photographs which I took of the tombs, soldiers, people, etc. It was in Mukden that I first came in contact with the Chinese soldier, a man without training or proper uniform, badly fed, sometimes paid, and a constant drain on the nation and a menace to its peace and tranquility. His chief function everywhere seems to be to beg for money and to extort it whenever he can. Before visiting the old palace in the inner city of Mukden, I applied to the American Consul for a pass, and had the opportunity of seeing his unique offices, situated in a most picturesque old Chinese pagoda of many courts and temples. I was told to give about 20 cents as a gratuity. But no, Mr. Ragamuffin soldier insisted on a dollar at the point of a fixed bayonet. I enjoyed the palace very much, but when he greeted me on my exit with a further demand of a like amount, I shoved his gun aside, told him what I thought of him in the few words of Manchu which I know, and beat a hasty retreat.

Mukden is a very interesting, little-visited, old-walled city, with a life all its own, and inhabited by tall, blue-gowned, red-faced Manchus, the erstwhile conquerors of the Middle Kingdom. As in the rest of China, there seems to be no government at all, though here in the three northern provinces the notorious ex-bandit, Chang Tso Lin, locally called the "War Lord", is paramount with his troops. I won't venture to say here whence comes the money back of him.

Outside the old South Gate of Mukden, beside its crumbling walls, where beggars and cripples and loathsome dogs and cats all mingle and share the wintry sun, I discovered one of the rare happy hunting-grounds of the collector. No, don't be in a hurry to pack your trunks and sail, for I've already selected the best pieces of old Chinese glass and ornaments from them—sack of old cities, plunder of ancient conquest.

It was at Mukden that I bought the first of the Commemorative stamps of China, and the stock there was almost exhausted. Of course, no dealers were in evidence at all.

From Mukden I traveled south through the Liaotung Peninsular on the finest train which the Japanese run—equal to our best American equipment. After twelve hours we arrived at Dairen, the former Russian Dalny. In its plan and in its fine public buildings and banks, it is the most beautiful city on the Asiatic Coast—though it isn't very large. It gives one the impression of a "boom town" whose boom has long since disappeared. It has fine, well-paved avenues and long vistas, an "étoile" in the centre, where are located the public buildings and hotel, and magnificent wharves, where can be seen loaded bean oil, the great "cheeses" of bean-cake and tussore silk cocoons.

The most interesting industry of Dairen is the manufacture of soya-bean oil, which I saw from beginning to end. Though the temperature was 10° below zero, the Chinese work in the mills stark naked, because of the heat. I have often seen them run out, in that state of nature, in the streets and yards, in that weather. Yet it never seems to harm them. They work eleven hours at a stretch and are paid from 50-60 sen, equal to 25c to 30c gold a day, for their labor! Comment is unnecessary.

I journeyed back to Mukden, where I found a temperature of 20° below zero, and there entrained for North China. You may imagine the state of things on the Chinese Railways, which cover this territory, when I tell you that we journeyed for twenty-four hours in that awful climate, with no heat whatsoever, bad food, no water for washing and no covers at night, so that we had to sit up all night in our sweaters, mufflers and mittens, and sit close together to keep warm. The train was overrun with soldiers, and hundreds of them met us at every station, where also we found guards, as provided for in certain international conventions regarding the railways. I may say incidentally that at present China has one million eight hundred thousand soldiers under arms, most of them useless, and but few of them efficient, except as plunderers of the treasury—and bandits when pay is not forthcoming. But the journey was made most delightful by the presence of an American who had spent twenty-three years in Korea, and knows it and its history and customs intimately. What with stories and incidents of Korean and Japanese rule there, recounted by him

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t nine at night we arrived at the at Wall where it meets the sea, at n Hai Kuan (Mountain Sea Gate), re is the gate inscribed "First Gate of Kingdom". Here, where are sta- ed troops of England, France, Italy Japan, we were in China proper, and next morning, after a long ride over dreary plains of Chihli Province, we ved at Tientsin—"Heavenly Ford", great treaty port of North China.

he zephyrs whispering through the nut palms and banyan trees, the lazy o crying out "becky" on the ceiling, "djonges" slumbering in a sunny er, and most of all, a generously- ed "rijstafel", all call to rest-la a—but instead I'll try to fight off pheus with a "Corona", and to for- the heat of the Equator in recalling ound Tientsin and windy, dusty ing for you.

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BRITISH HONDURAS, 1891-1902.

By HARRY E. HUBER.

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III.

Postage Stamps Overprinted "Revenue," 1899-1900.

By an order of the Governor-in-Council dated 14th June, 1899, it was directed that certain fees therein mentioned should be payable, on and after 1st July, 1899, in adhesive stamps used for postal purposes. This order was subsequently amended by the following order of 19th July, 1899—

"No. 211. Colonial Secretary's Office, BELIZE, July 19, 1899.

His Excellency the Governor directs the publication of the following Order of the Governor-in-Council amending the order of the 14th day of June, 1899, as to the payment of certain fees by means of stamps.

By command,
F. J. NEWTON,
Colonial Secretary.

Order of the Governor-in-Council amending the order of the 14th day of June, 1899, as to the payment of certain fees by means of stamps:

I, David Wilson, Governor of the Colony of British Honduras, do by and with the advice of the Executive Council hereby give notice, and order and direct

1.—That from and after the date of the publication of this order section 2 of the Order of the Governor-in-Council, made on the 14th day of June, 1899, under the provisions of Chapter 84 of "The Consolidated Laws" of British Honduras, published in the *Government Gazette* of the 17th day of June, 1899, directing that certain fees in the said order mentioned should on and after the 1st day of July instant, be payable in stamps, and that the adhesive stamps in use for postal purposes should be used for the payment of such fees, shall cease to have any force or effect.

2.—That adhesive stamps for revenue purposes shall be issued by the Postmaster, and such stamps only shall be used for the payment of fees payable to the Registrar General and to the District Commissioners of the Colony in aid of the general revenue of the Colony. Such stamps shall until further order be the adhesive postage stamps presently in use for postal purposes overprinted in black with the word "Revenue."

Dated at Belize this 19th day of July, 1899

D. WILSON,
Governor."

The stamps made available for the dual purpose of Postage and Revenue, were the 5c, 25c and 50c overprinted locally, in black, REVENUE. In June of the following year the 10c was added.

The setting REVENUE was of 60 subjects, requiring two applications to complete the sheets of the 5c 10c and 25c (2 panes of 60 stamps each). The 50c, however, was in sheets of 60 being the 50 CENTS on 1s gray, overprinted by De La Rue, and issued in November, 1888.

Normally the overprint measures 12 mm., but on 17 stamps of the pane, it is in smaller letters, and measures but 11 mm. On the 5th stamp of the pane, the "U" is tall and narrow, and on the 43rd, a "B" for the initial letter makes the overprint read "BEVENUE". In the second printing of the 10c and 25c "BEVENUE" and the narrow "U" were corrected. The 10c is also known with the final "E" omitted, "REVENU".

The numbers overprinted of the 10c and 25c must have been very large, or else they were not in great demand, for the former lasted until October, 1901, and the 25c until 1907.

The sketch below shows the position of the varieties in a complete setting of 60:—

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n.—Normal.
a.—Overprint 11mm. long.
b.—"BEVENUE".
c.—Narrow "U".

1899-1900. Queen Victoria, overprinted "REVENUE", in black, at Belize. Normally 12 mm. long.
Plate 2 for 5c, 10c, and 25c.
a. Overprint 11 mm. long, 43-45-46-47-48 49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58-59-60.
b. "BEVENUE". No. 34.
c. Narrow "U", No. 5.
d. "REVENU" (for 10c only.)

5c ultramarine,	July, 1899
10c mauve and green,	June, 1900
25c red brown and green,	July, 1899
50 CENTS on 1s gray,	July, 1899.

IV.

Queen Victoria Postage & Revenue, 1899.

Late in December, 1899, four high values, 50c, $1, $2 and $5, were added to the series, being printed from De La Rue, 1888 type, "Postage & Revenue" keyplate No. 3. The design is practically the same as for the lower values. except that the head of Queen Victoria is enclosed in an octagonal frame, and the tablets on either side are lettered "Postage—& Revenue" in small uncolored caps. The lower corners are filled with conventional scroll ornamentation.

The size of sheets, arrangement of plate numbers, etc., is the same as for the lower values.

The duty plate impression for the 50c has the numerals in colorless figures on a horizontal lined tablet, while for the dollar values, they are in color on a plain ground. The keyplate impression for all four values is in green.

December, 1899. Queen Victoria, "Postage & Revenue", watermarked Crown and CA, Perf. 14.
Plate 3 for all values.
50c green and red.
$1 green and red.
$2 green and blue.
$5 green and black.

V.

Queen Victoria, Postage & Revenue, 1900-01.

Not until October, 1900, was the 5c "Postage" stamp overprinted "Revenue", superseded by one in the Postage & Revenue design. It was printed from plate 3, in gray black and ultramarine on *blue* paper.

On January 22nd, 1901, Queen Victoria died after a reign of 64 years, and shortly afterwards the stock of the 10c needed replenishing. As the new plate with design altered to embody the head of King Edward VII, was not yet in readiness, use was made of the Victorian keyplate 3, Postage & Revenue. This stamp printed in practically the same colors as before, was brought into issue in October, 1901.

For both values, the same duty plates were used as for the "Postage-Postage" series.

1900-01. Queen Victoria, Postage & Revenue, watermarked Crown and CA, perf. 14.

5c gray black and ultramarine on *blue*.	1900
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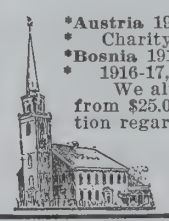

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Editor *Stamp Collectors' Monthly Journal.*

(This tribute to American philately is a notable one. Mr. Armstrong is one of the keenest of English philatelists and his contact with business conditions is such as to make his opinion valuable. He frankly states that the United States is the great stamp market of today. His prophecy that "the great stamp collections of the future will be in the hands of our American cousins" is amply justified by recent auction results in Paris and especially the fact that Mr. Hinds was successful in outbidding King George for the famous 1c British Guiana.—W. O. W.)

ALTHOUGH in the past some really important collections have been formed in the United States, notably the Worthington, Paul, Ayer, Seybold and Crocker collections, Philately has never attained the same vogue that it enjoys on this side of the Atlantic. Stamp collectors of the schoolboy persuasion there have been in plenty, but few who took the hobby seriously. The general attitude of the American public towards things philatelic was one of amused tolerance. Signs are not wanting, however, of the extension to America of the great philatelic revival that has swept over Europe since the Great War. As usual, the press has been largely responsible for this state of affairs. The news interest of the record prices paid for rare stamps at auction has not escaped the ever-alert American newspaper man, with the result that the investment possibilities of the hobby have intrigued the imagination of thousands of United States citizens. Financial stringency has to some extent curtailed the full development of what is destined to be a veritable boom in stamp collecting in America, which, with improving business conditions, cannot be much longer delayed. Already the membership of American philatelic societies shows a remarkable and gratifying increase, for it is a curious fact that contrary to the average European philatelist who is inclined to hold aloof from his fellow enthusiasts, the fellowship spirit is so strong in American life, that one of the first acts of the philatelic novice is to enroll himself in a stamp club.

Of late there has been a steady flow of the classic rarities of Philately across the Atlantic where they are being absorbed in the several big collection in course of formation by Wall Street magnates and captains of industry.

Now that the rarest stamp in the world—the unique 1 cent British Guiana 1856—has been acquired for the record price of $32,000. by an American philatelist, it is perhaps safe to prophesy that in common with other art treasures, the great stamp collections of the future will be in the hands of our American cousins.

ONCE MORE—THE SHANGHAIS.

By MAXWELL KRAUSE.

One word in regard to Mr. Clinton L. Chalfant's communication in your issue of the 13th inst. Mr. Chalfant says, "If they (the Shanghais) were sold 'for philatelic purposes only', under face for say 50 cents a set, then it would place them on the plane of Seebecks."

Now as a matter of fact, these sets are sold by the philatelic agency at Washington "for philatelic purposes only" and they are sold for $2.82 per set whereas the actual face value is over $4.00. It certainly makes no difference whether they are sold at 50 cents per set or $2.82 per set so long as the sum asked is less than their face value. And the face value must be calculated in Shanghai currency and not in U. S. currency for the stamps are issued, presumably, for use in Shanghai, not in the United States. Personally I have no objection whatever to Colonial issues being placed on sale in the home country so long as they are available for actual postal use and are sold at face value. With Mr. Chalfant I agree that such an arrangement is a boom to the collector and likewise, allow me to say, a boom to the dealer. But even the much discussed French Colonial issues, 90% of which never see the Colonies, are never sold for less than face value.

It is useless to quibble over currencies. Face value must be figured on the rency of the Colony, not on that o Mother Country. For instance, Bri Guiana dollars and cents are figure a basis of 24 cents to the shilling whe the currency of British Hondura on the same basis as our own and, th fore, at present rate of exchange, ap 15% higher per dollar than Bri Guiana. When, during 1921, cu British Colonial stamps could be bo from the Crown Agents in London, difference in money value was stri adhered to, which is quite proper. In same manner, one rupee face valu East Africa and Uganda cost two lings, of Zanzibar one shilling, four one-half pence, of Ceylon one shil five pence, etc.

I believe, as does Mr. Chalfant, the Philatelic bureau at Washington decidedly commendable innovation. I nevertheless feel that it is injur philately and debasing philatelic is by selling stamps below actual face v as in the case of the Shanghais.

The comparison of this case with depreciation in certain Neurope is is not logical and I can say from perience that the dealer was "caught such instances just as the collector only more so. I have sold many a of Neurope for 25c or 35c that cost four or five times that price. It merely another instance of supply demand with the supply proving t greatly in the majority. The stamp suing countries of Europe were blame, for they announced a limited i and then printed them as long as could sell them, and at any price.

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e portrait of King Albert shown on -called "Roi en casque" or Libera- eries of July, 1919, was adopted by an de Bast (*q.v.*), from one taken e field by Mr. R. W. Speaight of Street, London. The die was en- d in Paris by M. Henri Cheffner, he stamps printed partly by Messrs. n Enschede at Haarlem (Holland), artly by the restored State Printing s at Malines. Design of the Ant- Exhibition stamps of 1894 repre- the city arms, whilst those issued e occasion of the Brussels Exhibi- two years later bore allegories of ncounter between St. Michael and n. The subject of the charity ge stamps of 1910—St. Martin di- g his cloak with a beggar—is adapt- om the famous painting by Van in the Church of Savanthem. The ption, "Chemins de Fer" or "Spoor- n" upon the Parcels Post stamps in- ced in 1870, indicates that this h of the postal service is conducted e State Railways, which are under me administration as the Posts and graphs.—*Stamp Collectors Monthly al.*

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THE SEVEN CENT VERMILION.

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CHAPTER VI.—*Special Printings, Etc.*

Early in 1875, just before the 7 cent stamp was discontinued, the Postoffice Department gave instructions for the printing of 10,000 sets of each of the postal issues from 1847 to date, including the various department stamps. The department stamps not being salable to the public, were ordered overprinted "Specimen," but the regular issues were produced without any such surcharge and with no common outstanding feature to distinguish them from the original emissions.

The special printings of the earlier issues, however, are as a rule easily identified, either by differences in perforation, in paper, in color of ink, or by absence of the usual grill. But when it comes to the 1873 issue, then current, real difficulties are encountered.

Why a special printing of the then current issue should have been ordered is hard to imagine, when it would have been so easy to take the stamps from the supply then in the possession of the Department. But the fact remains that the eleven values of 1870-73 set were ordered printed along with the rest, in quantities of 10,000 each as above stated.

These stamps were manufactured by the Continental Bank Note Company, from the Continental plates. They were printed on very white, crisp, hard paper. The 7 cent, listed in the standard catalogue as No. 171 and described as "reddish vermilion" in color, is very hard to distinguish from stamps on similar paper, distributed through the regular channels. There is no pronounced difference in the shade, and the collector is cautioned against purchasing the 7 cent 1875, Special Printing, except upon the guarantee of a reliable dealer.

The stamps were issued without gum, and while available for postage were not intended for service but for "souvenirs", in connection with the Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia, in 1876, which commemorated the one-hundredth anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. The stamps were usually cut apart carelessly with shears, and authentic copies seen by the writer have all had perforations more or less clipped, so that anything approximating a perfect example is rare.

Mr. John N. Luff, in investigating the 1875 Special Printing many years ago, discovered that there had been a further special printing in 1880, this, however, covering only the 1870-79 issues. This second special printing was the work of the American Bank Note Company, and the stamps were produced on the *soft, porus paper* that characterized the 1879 issue. Only 500 copies each were supplied of this 1880 Special Printing, and these were ungummed as in the previous issue.

The 7 cent 1880, listed in the standard catalogue as No. 196, was printed from the Continental plate and in the same color as the 1873 issue. Some have claimed that they could detect a difference in the shade, but these claims are not to be taken too seriously. No. 196 stands out prominently, however, and can be identified by even a blind man. by the "feel" of the paper, for it will be remembered that the 7 cent stamp, with the 12 cent and 24 cent, were discontinued in 1875, and never regularly issued on the soft paper used by the American Bank Note Company.

None of the stamps produced by the two Special printings were ever sold through post offices, but were purchasable from the Third Assistant Postmaster General, in whose office a detailed account was kept of all sales, even the name of the buyer being recorded. The stamps were sold in sets, but a single denomination could also be bought in quantities of $2.00 worth and upward. The records show that the first sale of the Special Printings was made February 23rd, 1875, and the last sale on July 15th, 1884. On July 16th, 1884, all remainders were destroyed.

Of the 7 cent, the records indicate as follows:—

Received in 1875,	10,000
Received in 1880,	500
Total Received,	10,500
Destroyed in 1884,	10,027
Sold,	473

Of the 473 copies of the 7 cent Special Printings sold, there is nothing to show what proportions were on hard and soft paper, but the "visible market supply" today indicates that the 1880 printing is at least five times as scarce as the hard paper printing, and Mr. Luff in his book says that "only five complete sets and a few odd copies, on porous paper, are known to exist."

The recorded sales of the other values of the 1870-79 set are evidence of the great popularity of the 7 cent vermilion among collectors and souvenir seekers. The figures are as follows:

1c		388	10c	180
2c	brown,	416	12c	282
2c	vermilion,	917	15c	169
3c		367	24c	286
5c		317	30c	179
6c		185	90c	170
7c		473		

From this it appears that with the exception of the 2 cent vermilion, the 7 cent stamp was in greater demand than any other value. Perhaps this was because it was lacking from the sets of many collectors who had been unable to secure it at their local postoffices while it was still current. This theory has substantial backing in the statements of those who were boys or young men in the 70's, and who remember having persistently tried and repeatedly failed to buy a "red seven" in the small towns where they lived. As a low value stamp it was well within their means, and they wanted it, but could not get it.

In this connection it is of interest to note that the popularity of the 7 cent stamp, while still in use, extended even to the Department issues. Of the stamps overprinted "Specimen" and sold to collectors during the period when the 1875 Special Printing was being distributed, the 7 cent War outsold the higher values of the series four to one, the 7 cent Navy also outsold the higher denominations of that set four to one, about twice as many of the 7 cent State were distributed as of the higher values of that Department, and of the Treasury Department stamps three times as many 7's were passed out as of any denomination above it in monetary value.

The 7 cent stamps of these four Departments are first cousins to the 7 cent vermilion, having been issued for use on mail to the same foreign countries, and the omission of this value from the Agriculture, Executive, Interior, Justice and Post Office sets was, of course, due to the fact that these Departments had no reason to correspond with the governments of Germany, Austria or Denmark.

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Dine—In *Stamp Collecting* for May 13th, 1922, we read that "the inaugural banquet for next year's London International Stamp Exhibition" was held on May 6th or "Penny black" day. It may be said that the corner-stone of this monumental enterprise has been laid and interest in the big international exhibition will increase as the date of the event becomes nearer, until the triumphal culmination. At this banquet, a splendid account of themselves was given by Mr. Melville, the chairman, and the speakers. Judging from the reports of philatelic banquets in the "tight little isle" the occasions are spirited affairs and a right good wit seasons the addresses. We read that Mr Melville "paid a high tribute to American philatelists, who had set a fine example to their fellow hobbyists in this country in their efforts to guarantee the success of next year's Exhibition." Yes, Americans are interested in the forthcoming exhibition and a New York dealer told us that he wished that there would be enough philatelists to go together to make a jolly cabin full.

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Dean—We take much pleasure in welcoming Mr. Charles J. Phillips, the managing director of the stamp firm of Stanley Gibbons, London, whose success may be attributed to a loyal regard for stamps as objects of collection. Mr. Phillips is a stamp student of great ability and philately is the better both in a material and in a scientific sense by reason of his affiliation with it, through all these years. On several occasions he has come to our shores but his present trip will be more embracive than the one preceding. This is well, as all collectors here would do him honor.

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Done—At the Exhibition Dinner in London that we have just been speaking of, a telegram was received from Buckingham Palace in which the chairman of the banquet was "assured of His Majesty's unabated interest in everything that concerns philately." Naturally this friendly message was greeted with great applause. We read in a contemporary, the *Australian Philatelic Record*, that on March 31st, 1922, H. R. H., the Prince of Wales, opened an exhibition at Singapore for which the current stamps of the Straits, Brunei, Borneo, Kelantan, Kedah and Trengganu have been overprinted for use at the Exhibition. We do not believe that collectors will receive this announcement with great applause. The day is coming, perhaps, when we shall say that the more we see of some of the undefiled stamps of accepted countries, the more we think of the New European issues.

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Dirt—We are of the opinion that some collectors are too severe in their analysis of the European stamps. The holier-than-thou idea of "spurning them as you would the dirt under your feet" is all right for melodramatic effect, but it does not square with fact. A reader asks if there is any real postal necessity for "one in a hundred" of the issues of the European establishment. Does our correspondent believe that the people of countries such as Russia, Germany, Austria, etc., countries that have been divided into numerous national entities have become palsied and bereft of the intelligence necessary to use the post, one of the first adjuncts of a nation, new or old. Does he know that literally millions of these new stamps have come to America on letters from the countries affected by the new deal? For instance, the mail received from Russia, Poland, etc., by some of the banks in this country having close relations in those countries yields thousands of the used stamps in a short time. Letter-carriers of large cities with routes in sections peopled by Europeans from the places under notice can tell of an endless stream of mail addressed here from the old country. It may be safely said that even the seemingly insignificant country uses postally a great many more stamps in the regular course of business than is generally believed. Great is the post and great is its royal seal, the postage stamp.

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Dire—Chicago collectors had occasion the other morning to become pop-eyed with excitement, as the cartoonist would picture it, upon encountering the following story in the Chicago *Tribune:* "Model Husband Vamped by a Bunch of Stamps. Characterizing him as 'a model husband,' wooed from his home by a collection of stamps, Mrs. Etta M. Wilson yesterday filed suit for separate maintenance in the Superior court against William Wirt Wilson, head of the Wilson Stamp Company, 8 South Dearborn street. According to the bill filed by Attorney William F. Ader, Wilson 'has become so enamored of the stamps that he remains in his office until late hours admiring them'." In view of the statement that Mr. Wilson is cited as a paragon of virtue in the bill and advertised as a model husband, it is on stamps alone that the onus rests for the asundering. To hear stamps traduced always pains us and we seek to pick flaws in the web of circumstance that seems to enmesh our cherished stamps. Desiring first-hand information, we proceeded to Mr. Wilson's office only to run into a tumultuous throng of newspaper reporters and staff photographers. "Now, Mr. Wilson, a little movie stuff while I steal on you taking orders for stamps by radio," a famous photographer of celebrities was saying. (Mr. Wilson is a pioneer radio fan and has his station in his office. A dear little cub reporter was asking Mr. Wilson if it were true that he remained late at night in his office admiring his stamps. "Yes," said Mr. Wilson, "you see, so many of the LaSalle street bankers and brokers who are investing so heavily in stamps are engaged during the day and consequently must buy at night. As stamps are becoming the supreme security in the world, there is a rush to convert all the stocks and bonds into stamps and so I must be at the service of the financiers after regular hours." As we were going to press soon, we tore ourselves away from the busy scene, a sadder but no wiser man.

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Duet—We have received word that St. Louis is kicking up her heels and prancing around. The St. Louis Branch of the American Philatelic Society has nominated an opposition ticket for the board of vice-presidents, consisting of Ralph H. Eilers, Chas. S. Smack and Louis F. Yeckel. The other nominations are the same as those of the Cincinnati ticket. We are pleased to see our old friends, Eilers, Smack and eke, Yeckel, throw their castors in the ring.

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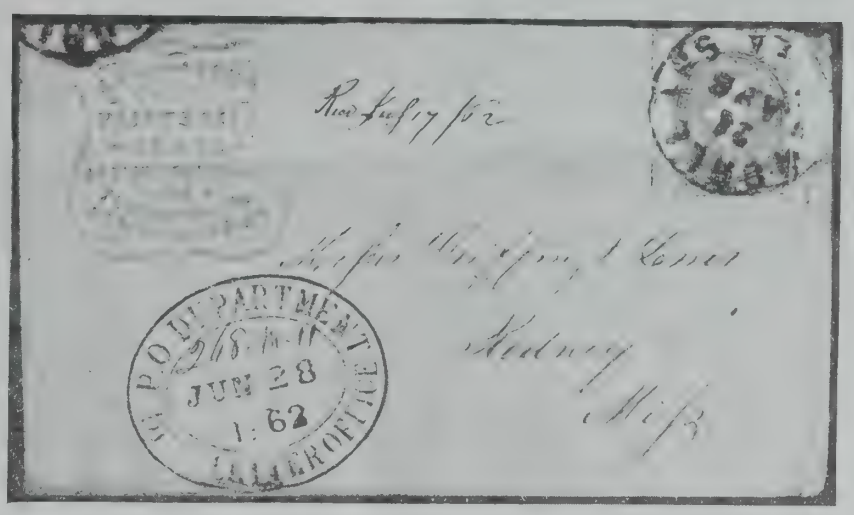

Addressed to Rodney, Miss., the cover here illustrated bears a Five Cents Green, Confederate States (Scott's No. 200), cancelled "New Orleans, La. 24 APR". Envelope is also cancelled "P. O. DEPARTMENT—DEAD LETTER OFFICE—JUN 28 1862", and manuscript notation on face reads "Recd Jul 17 '62".

I think we may describe what happened to this cover as follows:

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The Mail Boat for Rodney, carrying this letter, was apparently captured by one of Farragut's gunboats, and the mail seized and sent to Washington as Contraband. (The "DEAD LETTER OFFICE" stamp is, without question, "Washington, D. C.") From the manuscript notation "Recd Jul 17 '62", we learn that it was delivered to the addressee on that date, after Rodney had become United States property.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—*Leslie's Illustrated Weekly* contains an article by Charles Phelps Cushing entitled "Fortunes in Scraps of Paper". It is written in a very attractive manner and for some of its features it has illustrations of King George, Col. E. H. R. Green and the King of Spain.

—We are indebted to Cecil J. Dale for a cover showing a provisional New Zealand. It consists of the ½d Victory overprinted in the upper corners "2d", while across the middle of the stamp in bold block capital letters are the words TWO PENCE. Mr. Dale informs us that the Victory stamps are now out of issue.

—Maxwell Krause has an important announcement elsewhere in this issue. He has taken over the J. E. Guest British Colonial New Issue Service. The time has certainly arrived when the United States should have a new issue service that can compete with those of foreign countries and we wish our Lebanon dealer the largest measure of success possible. Mr. Krause informs us that he has received word of 2c postage rate between the United States and Cayman Islands, Spain and Argentine Republic.

—R. Edw. Sharp, Atlanta, Ga., wishes us to mention that he is delayed in giving attention to correspondence. Due to a serious illness he is resting from his labors.

—E. W. Goldthorpe, Boys' Work secretary of the Mt. Vernon, N. Y., Y. M. C. A., sends us a clipping from the local *Daily Argus* of May 18, giving an extended account of the annual exhibit and contest of the Y. M. C. A. stamp club. Charles H. Stecker, a well-known local philatelist, gave an interesting talk on the educational value of stamp collecting.

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—The special correspondent of the *London Philatelist* in reporting the Ferrari sale quotes an American dealer on the subject of prices realized at the sale: "To a collector they are worth it but to a dealer they are not unless he knows he can place them at once and not have to take them into stock." Our contemporary calls the Ferrari sale at auction a "rich man's sale."

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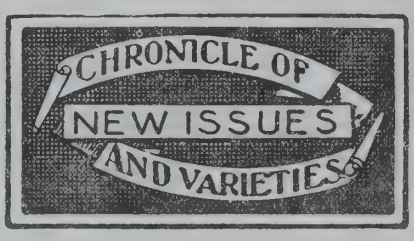

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Mr. O. T. Gylleck having noticed in our recent Chronicle information regarding the finding of the current 1c green, in pairs imperforated between, informs me of a find that he made some time ago of a variety somewhat similar. It seems that the post office clerk in his city had found a pane of one hundred of the 3c engraved, die II, imperforated horizontally. Having no knowledge of their philatelic value he began to tear them in strips along the vertical perforations and as he sold them tore them off one by one not even taking the trouble to cut them apart. By the time Mr. Gylleck arrived there were twenty only remaining, namely, a vertical block of ten and two vertical strips of five. In the case of the block, even two of these stamps were damaged by being torn apart. A great many good things are lost to philately and possibly many varieties that we never hear of pass through the hands of the post office clerk who does not appreciate that any deviation from the normal adds a value to the stamp.

Speaking of these part-perforates it may be of interest to note that a pane of the 1c imperf. horizontally was found at Columbus, a similar pane of the two cent was distributed from New York while two panes of the 2c imperforated vertically were found in Norfolk. A half of pane of the 3c, die I, imperf. horizontally was found in Denver while a part of a pane of the 3c, die II, was found in Cleveland in addition to the twenty mentioned above. It is barely possible that some of our readers may have found other varieties. If this is the case we would greatly appreciate their kindness if they will follow Mr. Gylleck's good example and advise us.

Mr. H. F. Colman spent a few days over the week end in Philadelphia and while his trip was strictly one of pleasure, he showed me two very unusual pieces well worthy of mention, namely, complete sheets of ten with margins all around of the $10 and $20 Department of State. These were in wonderful mint condition and look as if they were fresh from the post office. Blocks of the $2 are around and I know of one block of the $5 that exists but I have never heard of the $2 and $5 in sheets. The Gibson collection contained a sheet of the $10.

Mr. A. F. Gamber has sent me three new provisional 2c on 3c envelopes that have not been listed heretofore. These were in a collection that he recently purchased and were no doubt purchased at the several post offices sometime back.

1920-21, 2c on 3c Provisional Envelopes.
Los Angeles Overprint.
Die H on white, Size 9, Wmk. 19, H.B.
St. Louis (III-9) Overprint.
Die H on white, Size 8, Wmk. 20, H.B.
Seattle Overprint
Die H on white, Size 5, Wmk. 20, H.B.

In some of the Shanghai overprinted stamps that I recently purchased from the Philatelic Stamp Agency, I note that the 30c is in a slightly different shade from those which they first sent out. The stamp does not seem to have as much red and is more yellowish. Simply a shade variety of interest to the specialist and not one that is at all worthy of catalogue rank.

ABYSSINIA.—A. E. Wellington shows us a letter from a party in Jerusalem and we quote from it the following:—

"Herewith is an envelope which I recently received from Adis Abeba. You will note that it carries four stamps with original value $4 surcharged "2 guerches" each. A guerch at normal rate of exchange is worth about 2¾c U. S. The picture on the stamps herewith is that of Lij Yasu, grandson and heir of the great Emperor Menelik. During the late war he showed tendencies of turning to Islam and the leading families of Abyssinia (who are all somewhat fanatical Monophysite Christians) rose and deposed him. He is now a prisoner near Adis Abeba and his aunt, the Empress Zeioditou, rules.

AUSTRALIAN COMMONWEALTH.—In a letter dated Sydney, March 25th, Messrs. J. H. Smyth, Ltd., state that the ½d, 1½d and 4d values in new colors are not yet available.

We should like to know the actual date of issue of the 2d red, the *Australian Stamp Journal* gives it as March 6th and the *Australian Philatelist* as March 7th—in both instances in Sydney. As already mentioned in these notes, it was issued to some of the country towns on February 17th, and the *Australian Philatelist* says that the earliest copies are dated the 18th of that month, the date for Adelaide being given as February 21st, for Melbourne the 23rd, and for Hobart the 24th.

As regards the recent and impending changes in the colours of the Commonwealth adhesives, the *Australian Stamp Journal* remarks on the divergence of views with regard to the blue stamp, some 3d blues now appearing in various British Colonies, whereas in the case of the Commonwealth it is the 4d value which has been changed to that colour, no mention whatever being made of the 3d.—*Stamp Collecting.*

BARBADOS. — The Economist Stamp Co. send us a copy of the 1d Victory stamp on script watermarked paper.

BARBUDA.—A new name has been created for the collector of British Colonial stamps. The following values of Leeward Islands postage and revenue stamps have been overprinted with the word BARBUDA (an island in the Leeward group) in black on the ½d, 1d, 2d, 2½d, 3d, 6d, 2s, 3s and 5s and in red on the 1s and 4s.

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BRITISH HONDURAS.—*Stamp Coll* learns that three values due for a appearance in the "Nyasaland" type prise the 5c and $2 on white Scri paper and 25c on new green pape Mult. CA wmk.; colours as before.

CANADA.—Mr. Frank Pollard h has shown us the 2c blue postal surcharged "6 CENTS" in red ju low the bottom of the stamp. A bar obliterates the former value.

CEYLON.—The Economist Stam submit for chronicle the 30c stan script watermarked paper.

CILICIA.—Messrs. Bright & Son that they have lately seen a copy 5pia Armistice stamp with comp perforation 11½x12½.

DOMINICA.—We are informed b Crown Agents for the Colonies tha supplies of the "View" design s have been printed, 2d on white CA paper, 3d on old yellow CA 1s on old green CA paper, 2s on blue Script CA paper; also 5s I head design on old CA yellow pa *Stamp Collecting.*

ESTHONIA.—Prof. M. Loewy su the following values of the new s green, 2½m magenta and 5m red. first two values show a native wom the act of weaving while the 5m pi a blacksmith at his anvil.

Prof. Loewy also has shown cover with a copy of the 5m in a shade and perforated on the four si

FINLAND.—Mr. Dudley A. Holla forms us that the 2mks, No. 126, and black has been changed to a d light green and no more of the green shade will be issued.

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coat of arms of some kind. All
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rab Government of the Land of
phet"; on either side "Mecca the
l"; at the foot the value in words.
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y by a typographic process upon
wove paper of varying thickness,
perforated 11½. There are con-
marginal lines round the sheets:
stre, Venetian red.
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stre, indigo.
stres, mauve.
—*Philatelic Magazine.*

—Mr. Dudley A. Holland advises
has a copy of the ½a, script
ark, with error "Irao" intead of

ICA.—We learn from an author-
source that a design has been ap-
for a new 6d pictorial stamp,
in black and blue, with a vignette
harbour and town of Port Royal,
frame composed of anchors and
An order has been given for
truction of the entire printing of
ssued 6d sent out to the colony
r.—*Philatelic Magazine.*

.—The four values in the new
l type as noted in our last Chron-
e placed on sale on January 13th.
ticipated that special stamps will
d on the occasion of the forth-
marriage of the Crown Prince.—
ic Magazine.

SLAVIA.—Mr. Dudley A. Holland
ention to the No. 410 stamp which
es has two types of the figure
ne is open and the other closed.

A AND TANGANYIKA.—We are
informed that the new stamps
e Colonies are in course of prep-
and will consist of the follow-
ues:—Kenya, 1, 5, 10, 12, 15, 20,
nd 75 cents, 1, 2, 3, 5 and 10
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e cents are 100 to the shilling.
probably be several months be-
stamps are on sale, when they
ersede the current East African
.A. series.—*Whitfield King &
lletin.*

GUERA.—This tiny (or non-exis-
speck of African territory has
into the limelight again. We
scussing its supposed location
is time last year, and now we have the following:—Adhesive of Rio de Oro (definite type of 1921) overprinted Sahara Occidentale La Aguera: 1c greenish-blue, 2c green, 5c blue-green, 10c red, 15c red-brown, 20c yellow, 25c blue, 30c brown, 40c carmine, 50c violet, 1p lilac, 4p violet, 10p orange.—*Stamp Collecting.*

LEEWARD ISLANDS.—Mr. R. Roberts chronicles the following new issues of this colony: 4d on yellow, old watermark; 5d olive and lilac, script watermark; 2sh lilac and blue on blue, old watermark; 3sh green and violet, script watermark and 4sh black and vermilion, script watermark.

MALTA.—Mr. Louis Carabott advises under date of April 29th, that the General Post Office placed on sale the half-penny script watermarked surcharged "Self-Government" in panes of 60.

SWEDEN.—Prof. M. Loewy shows us a copy of the 10o green in the type of A16, perforated 10 on all sides.

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It is our desire to publish in due season a supplement to the Dictionary and it is no doubt probable that by Jan. 1, 1923, there will be sufficient new material to make such a supplement desirable. Without doubt the eyes of keen philatelists will discover many old items that should have been covered. For instance, new history has been made on the Boscawen local, and the definition given in the Dictionary may well be revised. Again, it would have been a good plan to have inserted the meaning of "A29" and similar cancellations on British stamps used abroad. A29 was used in Bath, Jamaica, and a comprehensive dictionary might well include such items.

We frankly confess that the Dictionary as it appears is only the forerunner of a great book to be published in future years. We desire the co-operation of our readers in connection with the proposed supplement, and offer three cash prizes of $15, $10 and $5 respectively for the best lists of additions turned in by Jan. 1, 1923. We require, however, that there shall be at least ten lists to award the first prize, twenty to award the second and thirty to award the third.

As you are coming in contact with philatelic terms not covered in the Dictionary note them where they belong alphabetically. This will be an indication that they should be covered in the supplement to be issued later.

We shall give ample credit for such assistance as may be rendered us in perfecting the book, in which we take a great deal of pride.

THE MANAGING EDITOR.

THE U. S. 1890 5c VARIETY.

By ROY S. BARKER.

Your item on the 1890 variety 5c, Apr. 22, did not particularly attract my attention but when I read Mr. Wendell's account of his duplicates, May 13, I got out my duplicates and was surprised to find how closely the "variety" percentage followed through, for in 91 copies, used, I found I had 11 with the coat lines extending through the white oval frame. This is 12%, bearing out Mr. Wendell's finding.

I had three distinct shades of this stamp but all of the variety were in the yellow brown, Scott's 223a and the finest example was a strip of three. Pairs of the dark brown or chocolate did not show this variety at all. I remember Apr. 22, 1915, Cabeen described Scott's Colombian Republic No. 364 (now No. 328) with four sub-varieties and while I had fewer copies to examine, yet my percentage was almost exactly the same as Cabeen's. These variety hunts are very entertaining.

EARLIEST KNOWN POSTAL SYSTEM.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., May 13.—The earliest known postal system was that of Cyrus the Elder, king of Persia, in 599 B. C., according to the post office manual prepared here for use as a textbook in the schools of the United States. The manual was compiled by Postmaster E. A. Purdy of Minneapolis and a group of specialists, in the post office, with the encouragement of Postmaster-General Will Hays and his successor, Dr. Hubert Work, in the belief that the diffusion of information about the post office would save the government millions of dollars annually. Besides explaining the functions of the post office and most efficient ways of using it, the manual outlines the history of postal service.

King Cyrus, according to the manual, maintained mounted couriers to dispatch messages from post to post. The book then relates that similar methods prevailed among the Romans during the time of Augustus, B. C. 31, and later in France under Charlemange, in 807 A. D. The first actual letter-post for commercial purposes, however, it says, appears to have originated in the towns early in the 12th century, and a century later the University of Paris established an efficient postal system. China also maintained a post system at an early date, about 1280.

Inception of the American post office came with its earliest settlement, the book narrates. It passed from the coffee house letter depository to actual carrier, when legislation was passed in Massachusetts in 1639, and Virginia in 1657. Under the later legislation, a house would be designated by colonial law as the appointed place "for all letters which are brought beyond the seas or are to be sent thither," the owner of which would receive a penny for every letter, but who must "answer all miscarriages through his own neglect." The colonial law of Virginia provided that every planter must keep a messenger to convey dispatches as they arrived, to the next plantation, "on pain for forfeiting a hogshead of tobacco for default."

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Gradually a postal service was established along the coast between the several colonies and in 1672 there was a monthly post from New York to Boston. In 1692, a private enterprise was granted to get up posts in North America to Thomas Neal and the postal affairs of the colonies were thus conducted until 1710, when the postal service of the British Empire was consolidated into one organization, with New York its chief American office.

An early act of the Continental Congress established post offices and routes from Falmouth, Me., to Savannah, Ga., the manual continues, and in 1737, Franklin was appointed postmaster at Philadelphia and the first acting postmaster-general in this country. In 1753, he was appointed deputy postmaster-general for the colonies, which office he held until 1774, when he was dismissed because of his active sympathy with the colonists in their quarrel with the mother country. For a while following, everything was in confusion, but in July, 1775, the Continental Congress appointed Franklin the first American postmaster-general, to manage the postal service throughout the colonies. Then postage stamps were unknown and postage was paid in cash.

Continuing, the textbook tells of the changes brought about when in 1834, letters were carried by steam railway. Four years later, the railroads were declared by law as post routes and in 1840, the traveling railway post office came into being. In 1847, use of stamps was authorized by the government and in 1855 the prepayment of postage made compulsory.—Clipping.

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(We think it best to publish this excerpt from a letter just at hand from Lawrence S. Holt, Jr., Burlington, N. C. Reference is made to a list accompanying the letter and this list we have sent to A. H. Pike, Buffalo, N. Y., who is engaged in consolidating a number of similar lists sent this office with one he is preparing. Very shortly our readers will profit by Mr. Pike's labors in producing an up-to-date list of these interesting impressions.—W. O. W.)

I am convinced that very few if any of us realize the possibilities of the recently inaugurated metered mail system, which six months ago was practically unknown to any one outside of the post office officials, and the manufacturers of the machine, and which is now spreading like wild fire all over the country. It has been evident for a number of years that the marvelous expansion of business requiring incredible numbers of letters, has vastly outgrown the original scope of the post office department at the time postage stamps were first used and when the mails consisted largely of personal correspondence about evenly divided with business letters, when advertising was practically unheard of and circulars, catalogues and the like were in the first stages of development.

Late years, there have been many attempts to simplify and expedite the handling of mail in large offices. We have seen the pre-cancelled stamps, the automatic stamping machine, envelope sealers and the like, but these have all been more or less makeshifts and while they have been largely used, they all have certain disadvantages which are apparent. It remains for the postage meter to revolutionize the mailing problems of big business. The device which offers to large users of postage, immunity from loss of stamps by fire, theft, carelessness, or damage, that keeps an accurate register of every stamp used or rather of every piece of mail dispatched, that insures a considerable saving of time in transit of mails owing to the fact that metered mail does not have to go through the regular channel of being handled in the central post office, and which makes it impossible for any one to send a piece of mail with this machine without being able to trace the mail back to the office from which it was sent, that requires no vault for the storage of stamps as well as other advantages, is certain to be eagerly received and the avidity with which it is now being adopted, testifies eloquently to the need which there has been for such a device.

In addition to the advantages to the user enumerated above, it is probable that the government will benefit to even a greater extent than the public. On this side of the question, it can be seen that it does away with engraving of plates, the printing, perforation, inspection, packing, gumming and transporting of stamps with all the attending risks of loss, damage, theft, etc., greatly simplifies the problems of the local post office where instead of selling stamps with likelihood of mistakes in counting, etc., the postmaster simply sets the meter and receives payment for it, as well as the saving of time and labor which would otherwise be used in sorting and canceling the mails in the local post office. When all these items are considered it will be realized that every postage meter which is installed not only benefits its user but is contributing directly to lessening the deficit of the post office department.

I feel that stamp collectors should welcome this invention as there is no possibility of it making the postage stamp obsolete on account of its being practicable only for large users of postage, such as banks, trust companies, department stores, telephone, light, water, public utilities companies, mail order houses, and very large firms which have thousands of letters to mail every day Small firms will, of course, continue to stamp their few dozen letters per day in the same old way, but as soon as its advantages become more thoroughly known, we confidently expect that any concern with a heavy outgoing mail which does not install a postage meter will be regarded as out of date. Since the users of the meters are the largest buyers of postage, one concern frequently using as much postage as an average city of 25,000 inhabitants, it is likely that the number of postage stamps printed and used by the post office department will be greatly decreased within the next few years. To what extent, will depend, of course, upon the rapidity of the adoption of these meters, the growth of population, etc., but it is very certain to cause a marked decline in the number of postage stamps issued. What effect this will have upon the revenues of the department is difficult to predict but reduced to dollars and cents, the saving will be many thousands of dollars and it may be possible to change the deficit of the post office department to a profit. If this should occur, a reduction in postage rates would be next in order and I do not think this is speaking extravagantly to make the assertion that the postage meter is the forerunner of 1c postage which has been agitated periodically.

The postage meter also gives an interest to philatelists by providing them with something else to collect besides stamps. Considerable interest has already been shown on this subject and it is likely that the collection of these permits will equal and probably surpass the collecting of pre-cancels.

I have prepared a partial list of these permit numbers with the names and addresses of those to whom issued, combining those which have come under my own observation with the list which appeared in your issue of April 29th, by Mr. Willis M. Pott. This list is divided according to the denominations, and as to the type, namely, box and oval. It appears that changes are rapidly being made from the box type to the oval type and that it is only a question of a short time when the box type will be entirely obsolete. In this list there are several which have changed from the box to oval type, namely, The Fenton Label Company, The Ronald Press Company, The New York *Times*, and the National City Company. It appears that only one permit is issued to one concern, and whatever denomination of postage is used by this concern, the permit number is the same throughout. We also have instances of one permit being used for several firms which are closely allied to ownership or management. For example, the National City Bank and the National City Company, as well as Note Holders Protective Committee. Also Conde Nast, the Publisher, uses the same permit with Vogue, The Guaranty Trust Co with the Guaranty Company, etc.

I have also prepared a list of t mit numbers in various cities a firms to which they have been Both of these lists are necessarily plete, and I do not doubt but tha of your readers are prepared to the gaps and furnish additional numbers and names as these m become more widely introduced. lieve it would increase interest branch of philately if you would from time to time additional lists mit numbers and firms.

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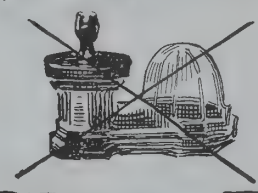

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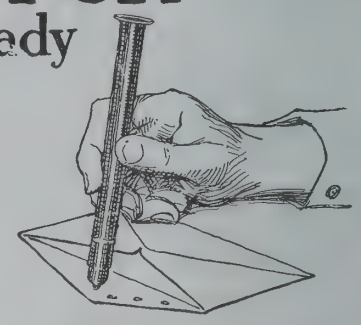

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To R. E. S.

The first time I saw Ira he was sitting on a sandy knoll, his magnificent big touring car parked beside the road. There was a look of happiness and content and peace on his face. I reined in my old cow pony, and responded to his greeting.

"Sure is the prettiest bit of desert I've seen since I came west," declared Ira, after we had told each other "what we might be called." This greeting is a relic of the old days. Then, one did not ask another's name. That might be embarrassing. The subterfuge covered a dictionary of things that were not mentioned. If a man was square and vouched for by a tried friend, what did it matter? I once knew a man who had three names, and used them promiscuously. The query from an eastern tenderfoot as to which was which, evoked the terse reply, "none." I nearly fell over backward, when the query was put, and the boys all looked to me to explain. This I did, deferentially.

All of which is several other stories, all untold. So I will return to Ira.

Ira, it seems, was from the east. He was a most likable chap, and he was full of the yearning love of the desert which must be inborn. He was not garbed for out-of-doors wholly. "Fact is," declared Ira, "I ran away. Mellie has a reception on in town, and I was supposed to be in bed with a nervous headache. I was. But I am not."

Ira wrinkled his face in a funny smile which rippled and crinkled. I took several furtive looks at him then. Here was coming sorrow masked, and great love displayed, and an unmistakable something hidden which some day I knew would be disclosed.

Then Ira climbed into his car, and disappeared in a cloud of dust. I rode on into the village where Time and Chance hold me fast.

I did not meet Ira again while I was resident of the Territory. It became a state, and I drifted into the wilds of New Mexico and into Texas. At temporary anchorage, here, in this oldest of American settlements, I made many trips into the neighboring desert places. And then, one day, I saw Ira. My flivver looked sorry as his big machine dashed by. But Ira had a fleeting glimpse, and he was back at speed-limit rate. We all but hugged each other. Ira was wintering in El Paso instead of his beloved Phoenix. He scarce could bear sight of the old places, he said. The war—the war!

Then Ira talked of the deserts and the waste places,—of men and things. Next day I was to meet him at his hotel to dine with him and Mellie.

It was a quiet little party of three in a private dining-room where we assembled. Mellie was a sad-faced, quiet, tiny woman, with all the graciousness I loved so well. She was more than friendly. After we had dined, a call came for Ira, and he excused himself, saying he'd be gone for perhaps half an hour.

Mellie told me all. She wept between her periods, now and then, and my own eyes grew misty.

"Ira has never ceased to talk of you," she began. He saw you over in Arizona, and then he lost trace of you until yesterday. The war has broken Ira. You know, our boy—"

The lad's mother choked and fought for self-control. "He went to France, and he never came back," she said slowly. "You know how we gave all for the soldiers. Finally, Ira got to the point where we could do no more. It was give—give—give—until there was no more to give.

"Our library was sadly depleted, and there seemed to be nothing left. Then I thought of a collection of stamps which Ira had when a boy, and which he had treasured with Royal, our son, both of them working on it together. Ira demurred. But I persuaded him to part with it. I felt that something was being held back, for it was not like Ira to withhold anything. And then, a week after the collection was gone, the news came.

"Ira became desperately ill. He did not ask for anything but the old stamp collection. Of this he spoke continually in his delirium. It was weeks before he became his old self, but he was broken in spirit and the soul of him seemed seared. He was as one without hope. The strange thing to me is, Ira never speaks of Roy. He never hints at the loss of the collection. I would give all we possess to recover it, but the dealer to whom I sold it merely wrote me that it had been disposed of.

"You see Ira at his best, tonight,—quite his old self. He is always that way with those he knows and loves.—the friends who were real friends before the war,—the friends who love the things he loves. But I am fearful."

Then Mellie told me the name of the dealer to whom the collection had been sent. I knew him personally. He was a queer chap,—for who of us is not? And then I resolved to trace that collection, if it were possible to do so.

I sent a night letter, asking particulars. In the morning a reply assured me that the collection was probably intact It had been sent to a certain collector in El Paso,—strange to relate,—a recluse,—a chap who bought collections "as is" and found sentiment in retaining them unchanged. Further, he had a wonderful collection which he had made. My dealer-friend said he was wiring the man and following his wire with a letter, giving names and addresses, and declaring that he would betray no confidences. The present owner of the collection would remain unknown, probably. I heard no more.

Ira and Mellie were preparing to return to the East, the harbingers of spring having disclosed the livable qualities of their summer home. The day was set. They were to leave at noon. I had breakfasted with them.

The bell-hop rapped upon the door. Then he delivered into Ira's hands a bulky package, together with a note.

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There has been a wide interest in this form of postage since permission was first granted. Already five distinct types have been used. It is a combination of stamp, postmark and cancellation and this brings it under the head of philately as well as the "asides". Its rightful classification would probably be a "postal marking" which is a term used to include postmarks and cancellations used officially on all mail matter transported by the government.

As this comes directly in line with the research committee of the International Postmark Society, the chairman has been compiling material relating to these permits for the past year. In order to verify the particulars in connection with many of the permits it was necessary to write the manufacturers, users, government and postal officials, etc. From this correspondence it was found that quite a few stamp collectors were writing users begging for these permits, as well as manufacturers and officials seeking information. This research work is commendable, but it has caused a very unfavorable impression with business men for they have not the time or inclination to go to the necessary trouble of handling this correspondence, a great deal of which is duplicated.

It was with the assurance that we would do everything we could to discourage this promiscuous search for information, and with the promise that we would act as an information bureau on this subject, that we were able to obtain the information we were searching for. Many of these business men have written us that in the future they will turn this correspondence over to us, or throw it in the waste basket unanswered. If our readers will realize the circumstances we feel sure that they will gladly co-operate for it will work to their own good. It will enable us to be kept posted and we will gladly publish the material as often as it is practical and all can have an equal advantage. It is not that we wish to control this or any other information, but it is a department that can be handled to much better advantage through one source than promiscuous reporting. We have now a check list of every city in the U. S. where first class permits have been issued. In this list there is a record of practically every meter that has been in use, besides quite a number of permits where other than meter machines have been used. It is thought advisable to publish this check list by cities under each state and under each permit that has been issued. Another list, possibly by an alphabetical arrangement of names of permit users, and also by a numerical list of meters with the names of users.

Many users have several machines all with different meter numbers, and with various denominations of postage. Meters have been transferred from one user to another and these three lists will serve as a check one with another. It is almost necessary that the names of users be published in all three lists. With quite a few this will be a temptation to write these users but in doing so it may mean the discontinuance of the chronicle of new issues in further numbers of the WEEKLY.

We also wish to mention that the Postal Rules and Regulations forbids postmasters giving out names and addresses to the public. Names of permit users are considered in this class. The Assistant Postmaster General advises us that quite a number of postmasters have reported to him of requests for this information. He advises us that this practice must be stopped and implies that he will hold us responsible for this in the future.

In order to make this service as interesting and complete as possible we must have the assistance of readers, and we urge that they report direct to us any new issues that they come across. It might be better to wait until this check list is published, which will be within the next two or three weeks. It will save possible duplication of varieties already located. Address all mail on this subject to A. H. Pike, 80 Grant St., Buffalo, N. Y.

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THE QUEEN VICTORIA CHALON HEAD.

By J. A. D. READE.

(In an article on the early stamps of Victoria and Queensland, a writer in a contemporary recently confessed that he had not succeeded in tracing the originals of those classic issues. The appended paper, the outcome of some notes read to the Canterbury Philatelic Society by Mr. J. A. D. Reade, is a delightful contribution to a fascinating subject, which, of course, includes the Perkins-Bacon stamps of Tasmania as well as those detailed in the article below.)

There can be few collectors of British Colonials who are not attracted by those early stamps bearing the portrait of Queen Victoria as it appears on the first issues of New Zealand, and which I shall call the Chalon head. Possibly, however, few have thought in how many different guises the design appears and how many different engravers and printers produced those stamps.

This head was taken from a full length portrait of the Queen painted by Alfred Edward Chalon, R.A., which was ordered by the Queen for her mother, the Duchess of Kent, as a souvenir of Her Majesty's first visit to the House of Lords. The occasion was the prorogation of Parliament on July 17th, 1837, and the Queen is portrayed in her robes of state. The first stamp to bear the Chalon head was the twelve pence of Canada. It was one of three designs printed by Messrs. Rawdon, Wright, Hatch & Edson, of New York, for the first stamps of Canada, which were issued in 1851.

It was not till 1853 that the first of these stamps printed by Messrs. Perkins, Bacon & Co., of London, appeared. This was the one penny of Nova Scotia. A small head was taken from the portrait and engraved by Mr. W. Humphreys. It showed a half bust of the Queen.

In 1855, Messrs. Rawdon, Wright, Hatch & Edson repeated their design of the 7½ pence value of Canada. In 1859, the same firm, renamed the American Bank Note Co., produced the 12½ cents Canada, and between 1860 and 1863 they printed three values bearing the Chalon head for New Brunswick, the values being 2, 5, and 10c.

A similar design was used by the British American Bank Note Co., of Montreal, for the 4½ pence of Prince Edward Island, issued in 1870, but the stamp is not as well engraved, and the Queen appears to have her head on one side. Meanwhile, Messrs. Perkins, Bacon & Co.'s engraver, Mr. W. Humphreys, had produced a more elaborate head with full shoulders showing the ermine of the robes. This was used for the stamps of New Zealand, issued in July, 1855.

In subsequent stamps the size of the head was increased, and consequently little more than the neck could be included. This design was used for the stamps of Bahamas in 1859 and 1860, Queensland in 1863, Natal in 1859, and Grenada in 1861. These were all engraved by Mr. W. Humphreys, with the exception of the Bahamas, for which the artist is said to have been Mr. Charles Henry Jeans.

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ST. KITTS TERCENTENARY, 1923.

By HARRY E. HUBER.

In connection with the Tercentenary celebrations planned for next year, in commemoration of the landing of Sir Thomas Warner and his men at Old Road Bay, in 1623, and the subsequent colonisation of St. Kitts, it is proposed to issue a special series of stamps.

The suggestion has been made that with the money obtained from the sale of these stamps, certain lands to the north of Basseterre, be purchased, and converted into a park with Botanical gardens and recreation grounds, to remain as a permanent record of the Tercentenary celebrations. *The St. Kitts-Nevis Daily Bulletin* of April 22, 1922, thinks, "The idea is a very good one, and we feel certain that this issue will be immediately taken up by the philatelic world, and a fund created in a very short while. We wish the scheme the success it deserves, and hope no time will be lost in providing the stamps."

The project is somewhat similar to that connected with the special series of stamps issued by the Dominican Republic in 1899. It will be recalled, that the bones of Christopher Columbus were supposed to have been transferred to Havana in 1795, when the French became possessors of the whole of the island of Santo Domingo. In 1877, during the progress of some repairs to the Cathedral at Santo Domingo City, a vault was opened, containing a leaden casket, inscribed on the outside with Columbus' initials, the inside of the lid bore his name, and a small silver plate found with the bones, contained his name and titles. Some twenty years later, (1898) the bones were taken from the vault under the altar, placed in an urn, and reinterred under a mausoleum of marble and bronze, erected at the end of the nave, just inside the plaza entrance of the Cathedral. It is supposed that the remains transferred to Cuba were those of Columbus' son, Diego.

It was for the purpose of defraying the expenses incident to the erection of this monument, that special stamps were prepared, and issued on February 27, 1899—the anniversary of the Dominicans' declaration of independence from Haiti, in 1844. The series comprised 8 values, from 1c to 2 pesos,—250,000 being printed of the 1c, 200,000 each of the 2c and 5c; 150,000 of the 10c and 25,000 each of the 20c, 50c, 1 peso and 2 pesos. The stamps were on sale to the exclusion of all others until November 1, 1900, when they were withdrawn.

The stamp issue of St. Kitts-Nevis have been very conservative, as for over 17 years the stamps were printed in the two designs brought into use, in May, 1903, and as for paper and color changes, these have been fewer than in many other Islands of the Carribbean. As a matter of fact, the Crown Agents' color scheme for Colonial postage stamps, evolved in 1907, was never adopted by the Presidency for stamps in the old designs, and only the ½d, 1d and 2½d were changed to single colors, to bring then into line with the Postal Union requirements. On June 15, 1920, a new series was brought into issue in double medallion type—the head of King George being in that at the left, while the right medallion bears the seals of St. Kitts, and Nevis, on alternate values.

While there can be no objection on the part of collectors or others, to an issue of commemorative stamps by St. Kitts, and it is not unusual for British Colonies to celebrate local events philatelically, still it is not often that the money so obtained is earmarked for town improvements. It is not that the finances of the Presidency will not allow of a grant for local improvements, or memorials, for of all the Presidencies forming the Leeward Islands Federation, those of St. Kitts-Nevis were in the most healthy state on 31st March, 1921, there being a surplus of £34,338—the revenue and expenses in that year being £106,750 and £91,476, respectively.

In asking permission of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, to issue such a series of stamps, it is quite probable that there will be no mention made of the use to which the funds are to be put. The Post Office revenue will benefit by the issue of such stamps, and in turn the revenue of the Presidency, which will enable the purchase of the lands out of the surplus funds.

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Though Barbados was nominally taken possession of in 1605, permanent settlement was not effected until 21 years later, and therefore, St. Kitts, which was settled in 1623, can rightly claim the distinction of being the Mother Colony of the British West Indies. Sir Thomas Warner died at St. Kitts on March 10, 1648, and his tomb may be seen in St. Thomas' churchyard, at Middle Island, the parish church of Old Roads. During the 17th and 18th centuries, the French and Spanish held possession of St. Kitts for short periods. But the island was restored to England by the Treaty of Versailles, in 1783, and ever since it has been British, although it was raided by Villeneuve, in 1805, just before the battle of Trafalgar.

St. Kitts is 45 miles to the west of Antigua, is 23 miles in length, has an area of 68 square miles, and a population of 27,004. Basseterre, its capital, is a town of 9,019 inhabitants.

Nevis, which was discovered by Columbus at the same time as St. Kitts, was named by him Neivis (also known as Mevis). from its cloud-capped peak, which to his mind, had the appearance of snow. A strait, barely 2 miles in width, separates St. Kitts from Nevis, to the southwest. The island has an area of 38 square miles, and a population of 14,430, less than 60 are white. Charlestown is the capital, with 1,050 inhabitants.

Anguilla, 60 miles to the northwest of St. Kitts, of which it is a dependency, has an area of 35 square miles, and a population of 5,098.

St. Kitts and Nevis were united by a Federal Act of the Leeward Islands Legislature in 1882, and with Anguilla, form a single Presidency of the Leeward Islands Federation, the other members being Antigua, Dominica, Montserrat and Virgin Islands. There is one Governor and Commander-in-Chief for the Colony, (Sir Eustace Fiennes, Bart.) with headquarters at St. John's, Antigua. In the larger Presidencies the government is administered by Administrators, while for Montserrat and Virgin Islands, Commissioners are appointed. The Legislative Council of St. Kitts-Nevis consists of 6 official and 6 unoffical members, besides the Governor and Administrator (Hon. H. M. Wigley, Acting Administrator, 1922). Of the unofficial members, 5 may be appointed from among the people of St. Kitts and Anguilla, but one at least must be selected from Nevis. The Council meets at Basseterre, annually, or at such time as the Governor or Administrator sees fit to appoint. In Nevis, there is a Resident Magistrate (Hon. F. H. Watkins, 1922,) formerly Commissioner of Montserrat (1900-1906,) and later of the Turks & Caicos Islands (1906-1914).

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By WILLIAM A. LORENZ.

In mounting postage stamps it is desirable to remove the old hinges and portions of envelope. If these are soaked in water and the cancellations are fugitive, (as for example on many stamps of the Colombian Republic) the cancellations will run and spoil the stamps. In order to avoid this I proceed as follows:

Wet a piece of cotton, or a copy-book cloth; lay this down upon a piece of oiled paper, such as used in copy-books; then place the stamps upon this wet cloth, with the hinge, or gum side, against the wet side of the cloth; then over this place oiled paper on the face of the postage stamps; then weight the top with books or magazines. By leaving the postage stamps under this weight for about half an hour, the stamps will readily separate from the backing. This leaves some gum on the stamps, which the average collector likes to retain. By sprinkling a little powdered talc on the gum, the gum need not be wiped off. Then the stamps should be placed between blotting paper under a weight so that they will dry flat.

By proceeding in this way, the stamps can be readily separated from their backing and the face of the stamps will not be wetted. Consequently the fugitive cancellations on the stamps will not be spoiled.

The gum may be wiped off with a wet cloth, without disturbing the face of the stamps, but be careful to keep the face dry.

Stamps with gum thereon, particularly new ones, are in many instances apt to curl badly, and will not lie flat. This curl may be taken out by drawing the metal edge of a ruler over the stamps, which will straighten out the stamps and allow them to lie flat. Draw the ruler edge gently over the "convex" side of the stamps.

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THE POSTAGE STAMPS OF BELGIUM.

By BERTRAM W. H. POOLE.

(*Continued from page 275.*)

For a few months in 1888, some of the 1 and 10 centimes stamps were issued with a coating of dextrine on the back instead of the usual gum but there were so many complaints from the public regarding the unadhesive qualities and atrocious flavor of the compound, that its use was given up and the following explanatory Special Order published:—

"August 4, 1888.

In order to effect economies, the Administration has tried the experiment of using *Dextrine* instead of Senegal Gum on the back of those postage stamps most in demand. The 1 and 10 centimes stamps issued by the Department of Stamps during the months of April, May and June last, are gummed with dextrine. Complaints having been received from the general public that this subject is not sufficiently adhesive, and moreover has an unpleasant taste, the Administration has ceased to make use of it, and has decided to call in all sheets of stamps gummed with dextrine now on hand at all post offices.

These sheets can be distinguished in the following way: The adhesive coating made from dextrine is yellower in appearance, thicker, and has a more shiny surface than that made from gum; the former also has an unpleasant taste. Further, dextrine absorbs damp to a far greater degree than does Senegal Gum; sheets of stamps coated with dextrine will be found to have stuck so tightly together that they cannot be separated without injury.

The exchange of such sheets for others coated with pure gum will be proceeded with at once, as fast as is possible from the present stock in hand at the Department of Stamps."

All the values of this series were perforated 14 by the comb-machine then in use at the Malines Printing Office. The 1 centimes in grey, 5c, 10c and 1 franc are all known entirely imperforate.

There were many printings of all denominations, the following synopsis of these and the quantities being based on statistics made by Mr. de Bont:—

	No. Stamps
1c olive green, 3 printings,	100,500,000
1c grey, many printings,	224,700,000
2c red-brown, many printings,	15,570,000
5c green, many printings,	108,480,000
10c rose on blue, 10 printings,	720,000,000
20c olive on grey, 4 printings,	2,000,000
25c blue on rose, many printings,	65,000,000
50c bistre on buff, 5 printings,	1,130,000
1fr red-brown on green, many printings,	675,000
2fr lilac on lilac, 2 printings,	354,000

Most of the values, especially those that were in large demand, like the 1c, 5c, 10c and 25c show numerous shades, the two last named also providing many varieties differing in the surface tinting of the paper.

The 1c, 2c and 5c printed from the same plates as were employed for the preceding issue provide numerous minor varieties, of which the only one which seems to have been sufficiently striking to be deemed worthy of correction, is "BELGIGUE" on the 1 centime. The others are due to slight defects in the electrotypes or to poor printing or a combination of both. Some, according to Mr. de Bont, "are due to defects in the paper, in which were hard lumps, which rapidly wore away the plates". It is hardly within the scope of an article of this general character to record all the minor varieties which have been listed from time to time, the more so as it is not possible to determine which were of a temporary or accidental character and which were more or less constant at a certain state of the plate, or plates. To the specialist, of course, they all have an interest but the general collector might well leave most of them alone until we have some adequate guide as to their exact status. The catalogues are useless in this regard for they are not in the least consistent. Gibbons lists the 5 centimes with accented second "é" and says "this stamp was printed from a new plate". If this accented letter is a characteristic feature of the stamps printed from a particular plate, the variety at once becomes an important and generally collectible one.

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1 centime grey.
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5 centimes green.
(a) Imperforate.
10 centimes rose on blue.
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20 centimes olive on grey.
25 centimes blue on rose.
50 centimes bistre on buff.
1 franc red-brown on green.
(a) Imperforate.
2 francs lilac on pale lilac.

CHAPTER XIV.

The First 35 Centimes Value.

An official decree announced that "a new 35 centimes postage stamp, color brown-red, is to be issued on July 1st, 1891". Supplies of this new value reached most of the post offices on June 20th, and, as there were no regulations to the contrary, they seem to have been placed on sale in most places on the same day. The new stamp was principally intended for use on inland registered letters—paying both the postal and registry charges—but it was also used on letter-telegrams and express letters within the confines of a single postal district. The design shows a profile portrait of the King in the centre on a ground of horizontal lines. Around this is a circular band inscribed "POSTES BELGIQUE" at the top and "BELGIE POSTERIJEN" below. The latter is the Flemish equivalent of the former and now appears on the postage stamps of Belgium for the first time as a result of continuous agitation having placed the French and Flemish languages on an official equality. In the upper left and lower right angles are circles containing the numerals "35" in white on a ground of solid color, but nothing

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—We have received Pricelist No. 22 from G. Stanley Haines of Peabody, Mass. It covers a variety of single stamps and sets and will be sent free upon request.

—A. E. Pade writes us that a new 1k Denmark stamp has just been issued, brown and blue, type of the current set and the same colors of the recently withdrawn 60 ore 1919.

—The new issue service which J. E. Guest has now conducted for several years has been taken over by Maxwell Krause of Lebanon, Pa. It is Mr. Guest's intention to give all of his time to the service of the A.P.S. of which he is Sales Manager.

—The *Inland Stamp News* has been appointed the official organ of the Stamp Trade Protective Association. The Association claims to have 160 dealers as members.

—A Tacoma subscriber sends us a wrapper upon which is in bold type "Your Subscription Has Expired". The fact is that it had not expired, as the number 1664 plainly indicates. The subscriber says he presumes this is a mistake, and it surely is. In every instance subscribers will please note that the Whole Number tells the story. In the hustle of mailing day it is possible for a thing of this kind to happen.

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MORE PHILATELIC WANDERINGS IN EAST ASIA.

By HENRY H. HART.

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When I arrived in Tientsin the Pei Ho had just frozen up, business had stopped for the winter, and many merchants had gone home to the provinces for the holidays. The city is flat and uninteresting except that it has some fine business houses, and is the centre of commerce for North China. There are fine French and English Concessions, as an ex-German and an ex-Russian Concession, an Italian and other concessions as well as a large Japanese Concession over near the old Chinese city, whose wall was destroyed after the Boxer siege.

Each of these concessions has its national post-office, though some are situated in other concessions. For instance, the Japanese Post-Office is at the corner of Victoria Square, in the English Concession. The great bulk of the business is, however, conducted by the Chinese Post-Office, whose main building is in the ex-Russian Concession. It is efficient, and most of the foreigners send their mail through it.

Visits to the various offices were made, and I found that all stamps are in stock, though already interest is beginning to lag, since the post-offices are to be closed at the beginning of next year.

I could not locate the Italian Post Office. In fact, none exists, and it is difficult to get the stamps. I found a most obliging Italian barber in my hotel, who was able to rout out some official for me and get full sets of the stamps. I asked him to send me the stamps registered with Italian stamps to Shanghai. Alas, on my arrival there I found the stamps, but the cover was franked with Chinese stamps. And, in a painfully scrawled letter in his best Tuscan, he told me that the Italian post only accepted letters for Italy, and did not serve China. This I found to be true. I have never succeeded in getting more than a few of these stamps used—nor have I ever seen them on legitimately used covers. I found plenty of commemorative stamps to be had in the Post Offices, though no dealers were to be located in Tientsin.

I went up to the wonderful city of Pekin—the "Northern Capital"—for the Christmas and New Year's holidays, and there found the best hotel in all of East Asia, equal to the better class larger American hotels. I could spend hours telling you all of the wonderful sights of Peking—its palaces and temples, its pagodas and ruins, its wall, its camels, its lamaseries, its curioshops without number, its various people, and its historic Legation Quarter. But I would weary you with the tale, especially when you can read such books as Miss Bredon's "Peking", Hovelaque's "La Chine" and the like. I spent a wonderful week there, wandering through the Chinese, Tartar, Imperial and Forbidden Purple Cities, with their art treasures and historic associations, the Winter Palace, Coal Hill, where the last of the Mings hanged himself, the residence of Yuan Shi Kai, and countless other famous spots of this city—famous since Marco Polo and Kublai Khan stirred the imagination of mediæval Europe.

Finest of all the monuments of Peking—of all China, in fact,—is the exquisite Temple of Heaven, pictured on the "Coronation" stamps of the "Boy Emperor". Many an hour did I spend in this temple, a wonderful inspiration, a dream in blue and golden-yellow, with its adjacent Altar of Heaven. It gives one knowing China's hoary history a strange thrill to stand on the central stone of its great white marble platform open to the heavens, where once the Son of Heaven, a lord himself, could stand and pray, and he only twice a year. There, surrounded by concentric circles of slabs, each an increasing multiple of nine, he was wont to offer up prayers for his people and sacrifice to the Great God of all things. No foreign eye ever beheld the ceremony, and even the Chinese had to close their houses and shops and hide as the sacred procession passed down from Chien Men to the Temple, and the rites took place earliest dawn. It was all very, very i pressive, and productive of thought. A ter this masterpiece the Temple of Ag culture, opposite, was very flat, exc that it was interesting as being the he quarters of General Chaffee's troops d ing the Boxer trouble.

Through another Italian I obtain what stamps were left at the Italian L gation, but the same tale of non-use w told me. Commemorative stamps w still on sale at the main Post Office.

But the one undesirable thing whic did take away with me back to Tient was a bad case of influenza, which k me in bed for several days, under very able ministrations of a Japan doctor, the best obtainable in Tients After I recovered, I spent more time Peking, where I obtained some ve little-known rugs—Shansi Province sa dle-blankets, not made for foreign tra and so endowed with all the rare beat of design and coloring that the orient everywhere seem to reserve for th own family possessions. I prize the most highly, as I do the Tibetan prayi wheels, and the Chinese jewel-box which I unearthed from most unlik corners of the city. After knowing Ca tonese, I found Kuan Hua, the Manda dialect, not very difficult, especially many of the trade-terms are much alik Peking is full of curio-shops, at le 1000 of them, but, as the city is a f vorite hunting-ground of the genus tou ist, I fought shy of them, and found re good things—and some exquisite bits glass and jade in little out-of-the-w places. Of course, I visited the cloison factories. The work is perhaps mo lasting than the Japanese ware, but t Chinese show nowhere near the sam fertility of imagination in design a coloring as do their island neighbors.

The rug industry was most interestin The work is done by boys from abo nine to sixteen years of age, workin in hovels so dark and damp that th cannot see without lamps, which ma the atmosphere still worse. Here th work about sixteen hours a day, wea ing out soul and body that our hom may be beautified. And for this sla labor for years they get only board—handful of rice and port—and lodging-a plank or a corner on the earthern floo Later they are paid perhaps twenty cen a day and board. When you see the stunted, large-eyed, prematurely age children, coughing and wheezing as the fingers seem to fly among the knots an warp of the design, your heart ache Instinctively comes to your mind th immortal poem of Elizabeth Barr Browning, "The Cry of the Children and you walk slowly away, saddened an depressed. And thereafter Chinese rug tell a different tale to you, a tale of su fering and want, a tale of the sacrifi of youth and of health and of life, tale of the weaving of pain and distres and heart-ache, into the warp and th woof of that Chinese rug which you feet tread so carelessly and thoughtlessly

From Peking I proceeded by train t Hankow, two nights and a day throug the central provinces of China, Chihl Honan, Hupeh, where Chinese life in a

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ariety may be seen. The worst d I ever want to cross was over the g Ho, The Yellow River, "China's w", which has brought so much a and woe, so much life and death na's millions. The bridge has far ed its usefulness, and is so shaky he train consumes thirteen minutes ering two miles of trestle. I was ful to learn that a new bridge has contracted for. I sincerely hope is in place when I next cross Cen- hina. Incidentally, I believe that he bridge pictured on the current alues of China's stamps.

Hankow is a very fine city, made up of the foreign concessions, the cities being across the river at ang and Wuchang. The usual n post offices are to be found there n Hankow I went down the Yang- River of Willows", for four days. ame "YangTse" is not known to hinese, who call it the "Cheong n" or Long River. We visited the ports which were so familiar in ums and catalogues of yore—Kiu- called by its inhabitants Chiu- g, or "Nine Rivers", Wuhu-Weedy -"ChinKiang and Nanking, which vered with snow. On the fourth e turned into the muddy Whang- d, passing Woosung, steamed h the snow and sleet to the French of Shanghai.

n't say that Shanghai is a favorite f mine, as it is neither East nor But its life is interesting and ting. But I've told of it before. won't spend any more time on it

ourse, I called on my friend, Sid- d garnered much from his stamp n and his stamp stock, both of are excellent. Except for him, I no dealers of consequence in the ough they may well be there.

Russian post office ceased func- long ago, and at the English office I found half of the values out of stock. I had a most pleasant time each visit I paid to the American Post Office, whose stamp section is presided over by my good friend Mr. Kenake. After letting me select perfect copies of the U. S. A. surcharges, and I call on you all to testify to their rarity, we would have many a pleasant conversation. Mr. Kenake was Postmaster of Honolulu at the time of the republic, and was present when the stock of remainders was destroyed by incineration. He has permitted me to tell the following story of it, which may not have appeared before.

When it was known that the stamps were to be destroyed, the head of a great stamp firm came to Honolulu in an endeavor to buy up the remainders. Every effort proved unavailing, as the officials would not sell under the face values. The gentleman became more anxious as the day of destruction drew nearer, but to no avail.

Then he was given permission to be present when the burning took place. How he groaned and wept when he saw the priceless surcharges and old issues in complete sheets consigned to the devouring flames! At last the attendant came forward with the last of them, a huge basket heaped high with packages of full sheets, all wrapped up carefully. He could stand it no longer, and in his excitement offered $100,000 for that basket full, just as it was, without examination. But his offer was sadly refused. "And", concluded Mr. Kenake, "it's lucky for him we didn't accept his offer, for that basket consisted entirely of the cheapest one cent greens."

This much for Shanghai on the Whangpu.

I sailed for Hong Kong on January 27th, arriving two days later, as the strike of seamen was approaching its crisis. The stamps were gradually appearing in the Crown script watermark, and I may record here that I was in the office when the twenty-five cent appeared, and the date was February 21, 1922.

Graca has the best stock of stamps in China, and his prices are very fair and reasonable. I saw there the SinKiang (Turkestan) surcharges of the Commemorative sets, of the 1, 3 and 6 cent values. Mr. Siddall told me that only a limited number of these were issued. The ten cent, he told me, had been entirely cornered by a speculator, and, sure enough, Graca had none, nor could I find any anywhere. I have not even one to complete my set.

My last week in Hong Kong was not pleasant. There was a general strike, no coolies, no boys in the hotel, no cooks, no elevator men, no rikishas, no trams, no "nothin'", so we white people had to do our own cooking and cleaning, and to turn to, to keep the Colony going. I spent days on end, filling milk bottles at the Dairy Farm so that the white children of the Colony might be properly fed. I left the day after the strike was declared over, and sailed for Haiphong and the South on the Messageries Maritimes boat, the "Armand Béhic."

After coasting along the southern edge of the Island of Hainan we turned north into the Gulf of Tonkin, and entered the Red River in a "crachant", as the French call the mean, heavy, penetrating drizzles of the Gulf. Haiphong is a pretty little French town, the port of Hanoi, the capital of French Indo-China, and the outlet for the trade of Yunnan Province.

At the Post Office I found the surcharged stamps still being sold, but at half of their face value. For instance, the stamps used for foreign postage is the 50 centimes, surcharged "20 cents". This is sold for ten cents. I obtained a sheet of the 14 cents on 35 cents, containing all the errors of the closed "4". If any readers are interested, I shall be glad to state the position of the errors in the sheet. I was informed that all the stocks are to be used up before the appearance of the new stamps, and that the government is going to issue separate stamps for each province of the colony, which is under one administration, and uses the same currency. So now prepare your pages and your pocketbooks for stamps of Annam, Tonkin, Laos, Cambodge and Cochin China!

After two days in Haiphong we left cool weather behind us, and began wearing white clothes and solar topis—and wishing that we could dress like the natives—in much less.

Forty-eight hours brought us to Saigon, my old home, where everything is, as usual, hotter than anywhere on the Coast. There I bought a sheet of the ten-centers with all the closed "4"s, but others had been before me with the errors on the postage due stamps, and no more were to be had. Here all the information about five new sets was confirmed, though no one knew when the stamps were to make their appearance.

After a short stay at Saigon I returned to Singapore for the sixth time. It was the same beautiful fascinating Singapore of my former visits, and is one of those cities which one can love more with each visit. Nothing was new except some values in Script watermark, and a new 12 cent value in blue. The Straits Settlements now has three stamps in the same shade of blue, the 8 cents, 10 cents and 12 cents.

As business called me to Bangkok for the second time, I decided to go by train, having already made the tedious boat trip through the Gulf of Siam. The trip, though warm, is a delightful one, taking two nights and three days, passing from one end of Malaya to the other, until the very top of the Peninsula is reached, and the mainland of Siam is attained. After Singapore Johore is traversed, then the F. M. S. We arrived at its capital, Kuala Lumpur at 7.30, and, as we had a half-hour in which to change trains, I jumped into a rikisha and "pergi" ed to the Post Office. There I found but one new stamp, the five cent purple on yellow, and some crown-script watermarks.

After leaving K. L., as it is always called in the Federated Malay States, we traveled through Selangor and Perak, and in the morning came into Province Wellesley, another of the Straits Settlements. There, at a tiny village with the resounding name of Bukit Mertajam, we were dumped out at five in the morning to wait for the Siamese train, which arrived four hours and a half later. My breakfast that morning consisted of bananas and coconut milk, obtained from the nearest garden.

After leaving Bukit Mertajam, we passed through the State of Kedah, and I was able to buy a few stamps at the station of Alor Star, its capital. Next came Perlis, the border state of Malaya. It uses the stamps of Kedah, its southern neighbor.

Early in the afternoon we arrived at Padang Besar (Big Meadows), the frontier town, and there we had to produce our passports and submit to a very perfunctory customs' examination. At one end of the station building one can buy Kedah stamps (low values) and at the other Siamese stamps. Thenceforth all signs were in Siamese and English, instead of in English, Chinese, Malay, Malyallam and Hindustani, as on the Malayan side.

Another day and we began to pass wats and phras (Bonzes) in their yellow robes, and the country folk no longer wore the sarongs of the Malay, but the artistic, bloomer-like panung of the Siamese. We passed Rajburi and Petchaburi, and realised that we were al-

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EDITORIAL.

Hit—The Chicago Philatelic Society has decided to hold an exhibition that is based on so sound an idea, that we shall speak of the society's enterprise in the hope that other stamp organizations may emulate its example. The plan is to hold a Chicago Night when the meeting will be devoted to the display of all the different locals and private proprietaries issued by Chicago companies as well as Chicago postmarks and cancellations from the beginning down to 1900. Historical information in connection with the stamps and their issuing companies will be sought, so that it may be presented compactly as an accompaniment to the stamps and old postal markings. Chicago is rich in philatelic tradition and had one of the last of the local companies, Allen's City Despatch, which was suppressed about 1885. Mr. N. A. MacRae, Chicago, was an eye witness to the death struggles of this post and his description of its end is interesting. Underlying the philatelic argument for an occason of this kind is the appeal that it must have for many non-philatelists who make much of local history; and as a rule, the exhibition may be presented to the papers of the city in a way to make them recognize that it is worth attention.

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Hah—In "The Diamond as Big as the Ritz", *Smart Set* for June, F. Scott Fitzgerald, who in his "Beautiful and Damned", as we showed recently, proved conclusively that he had lived in the stamp world, in his younger days at least, makes Percy, whose father owns the mountain-diamond, say: "I love jewels," agreed Percy enthusiastically. "Of course, I wouldn't want anyone at school to know about it but I've got quite a collection myself. I used to collect them instead of postage stamps." Percy's attention should be called to the descriptions of "brilliant" and "gem", etc., that bestrew the pages of many an auction catalogue. As it is, some of the collectors who do not go in for jewelry, point, *a la* the Roman matron, to their stamps as their jewels.

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How—In the Chicago *Post,* there is a colyumist who graduated with highest honors from B.L.T.'s most advanced class. "Riq" is at once as playful as a porpoise and as sapient as a serpent, yet with all his angles, erudite or frolicsome, something is missing. Here he blows! "Ralph King of the Waukegan *Sun,* we read in the Bloomington *Pantagraph* because the King of the Sun is one of the Post Nobility, 'who has been seriously ill, will recuperate by going fishing, farming and stamp collecting.' One would like to hear more details of the last-mentioned invigorating sport." We know Ralph King of Waukegan, a newspaper man, who is one of the most devoted of collectors, and what is more natural than that he should include stamp collecting in the trinity of restful occupations. If stamps are friends when we are well they become closer than a brother when we are under the weather. While we do not think that "Riq." is one of those chaps who, after we had used a thousand words in explaining why and how stamps are collected, would smilingly ask: "What good are they after you get them? we haven't the ambition to go into detail. Let Mr. King amuse himself during his recuperation period by putting "Riq." next.

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Hen—Is there a hen on anywhere? Mr. W. F. Cannon, Davenport, Iowa, writes: "Can you tell me what company will insure my stamp stock against fire or theft? I did have my stock insured but about five months later the agent made me redeem the policy because the company refused to insure things of 'questionable value'. I should appreciate this information very much." We suppose that we know what the insurance companies mean when they refer to stamps as having no established value, to put it mildly, but we do not understand why there is such diverging views on stamps as insurable property by the companies. Periodically, we return to this question of fire insurance for stamps and after a few letters from readers who say that their stamps are satisfactorily insured, the question is dropped, only to bob up again as in this instance. It may be that the question is one that cannot stay settled but anyhow, we are sending in a call for information about this insurance business from our readers who are always on their toes waiting for the gong.

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Hap—While we should not exactly call Mr. Wimbush a philosopher of parts in Aldous Huxley's "Chrome Yellow" the happiest of men, yet the threnodies that he trills are not too minor. Hark'ee: "I could never take much interest in a collection of postage stamps. Primitive or 17th century books, yes. They are my line. But stamps, no. I don't know anything about them; they're not in my line. They don't interest me; they give me no emotion." Fair enough for the ruminative Wimbush who is willing enough to let us go our own way, even though it is not his own. However, he agitates us when he says: "For all I know, you may suddenly jump up and try to murder me in a moment's time." Mr. W.'s plaint is: "The trouble with the people and events of the present is that you never know anything about them." Try the old issues.

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Hop—We lift the following ennobling segment from life from the Chicago *Tribune* as we have decided to play our literary string to the end this week: "As examples of greatest Thrift, you can pin the golden fleas on the Chinaman. They apply a transparent varnish to postage stamps which effectually prevents cancellation. Removing a supposedly canceled stamp from a letter and soaking it in water makes it as good as new. I spent several years in the orient and had a 'boy' (all male servants there are 'boys', even though gray and bald) who was an adept in the gentle art of rejuvenating postage stamps." The paragraph is signed, "Milwaukee Jack." Now, Mil. Jack may be a big card in the 500 but a secret service man said years and years ago in a deep, throaty voice that the Italians were the world's greatest artists in stamp varnishing. Still, our idea of nothing to fight about is who are the most skilful in this way.

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Hew—We have just received a very interesting letter from Professor E. G. Young, of Shanghai, which we shall be pleased to share with readers next week. We find the postscript: "Mr. Siddall is in the General Hospital here in a very serious condition, much to the regret of all the collecting fraternity in town. He occupies a big place in our esteem." We hope that Mr. Siddall will survive his illness as he deserves well of philatelists. He is a most ardent collector and he has done much to help collectors the world over. He is always ready to lend a helping hand and he has contributed many a news item to our paper from his post in Shanghai. Often a prophet is without honor at home, but in Mr. Siddall's case, the rule does not hold. We suppose that Mr. Siddall's paper will be discontinued while he is unable to give attention, but we hope soon again to see a copy of it.

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The usual "Hints to Collectors" start with the purchase of an outfit, and after a brief explanation of how to mount stamps (with diagrams) proceed to deal with the various kinds of stamps, their details, and the long names with which they have been labelled and sub-labelled. All this is very necessary—in books—but seems out of place in a stamp journal. One must know the A B C of the hobby, but one does not expect to find a lesson on the A B C on the front page of one's daily paper, or even in the children's supplement.

This brings me to the subject of this article, that the foundation of successful collecting, whether the object aimed at is pleasure or profit, is KNOWLEDGE. Too many collectors start off with the idea that a hobby does not involve any work—that enjoyment will come without any effort. They accept the fact that *obvious* differences between stamps—differences that do not need any looking for—entitle them to a place in the album and they are prepared to mount such stamps more or less neatly in the album (stigmatising the task meanwhile as a "beastly sweat"), but beyond that they do not go. They measure their success by counting the number of stamps in their collection, for which purpose tram tickets or matchbox lids would serve equally well, and fail to realize that a couple of thousand stamps will provide interest and amusement for years, even if their number is never to be increased.

This is not true collecting and those who take up the hobby on such lines usually abandon it after a few years, entirely failing to grasp the possibilities it holds out to them. The pity of it is that the gap between unintelligent and enlightened collecting is so small that it takes but a little help from others to bridge it and make a real collector out of the label-counter; but this help is not always forthcoming and the beginner drops out with no regrets for the pleasures which have been within his grasp, but which he has never heard of.

The secret lies in keenness and *the determination to learn something* about one's stamps. They may be studied from the point of view of their designs and inscriptions and these will be found intensely interesting, or attention may be concentrated on their manufacture, in which case one must learn about printing methods, perforations, colours, watermarks, and the like. In each case books are necessary.

An elementary book on How to Collect must be thoroughly mastered, or worthless stamps will be included, or good stamps will be damaged in handling. A good catalogue should be used and, while the simplified lists are helpful, a detailed catalogue, such as Gibbons', contains such a mass of interesting information that if only one can be afforded the collector should plump for the biggest he can get.

A good stamp journal is helpful because it supplements the catalogue, and its articles elaborate the information given there. And remember that most Editors are ready to help you with knotty problems if you drop them a line and enclose a stamped addressed envelope. The Editor of the *M.C.* certainly is.

There are plenty of interesting books on what may be called the bypaths of the hobby—the meaning of the designs and inscriptions, the historic associations of certain stamps, and many other matters of which the label-counter has no idea. After he has studied his catalogue there will be few stamps which will not provide the collector with something interesting to say about them.

If the study of stamp detail is taken up, the catalogue may be supplemented, not only by the journal chosen, but by handbooks dealing with the stamps of various countries or issues in fuller detail. One may know something about everything or everything about something and, from the financial point of view, perhaps the latter is most profitable to the collector. If he thoroughly studies the stamps of one country he will end by knowing more than the catalogues can tell him, for he will find things for himself and, knowing more than the catalogue, will know more than most of his fellow-collectors and some dealers, so that bargains will come his way in plenty.

Whatever kind of knowledge the collector wishes to gain, there is only one way to acquire it. He must read everything about stamps that he can lay hands on. It may be too deep for him to understand fully, but he will always learn something. He did not learn to read by sticking to works of the "black cat sat on a mat" variety. He read whatever he could get, even though he did not understand all the hard words, and the same course must be taken with philatelic literature. (Incidentally I may say that these philatelic "handbooks", which appear such weighty works, are really intensely interesting to the general reader and should be read whenever obtainable.)

The golden rule for the would-be successful collector is to regard every stamp in his album as an interrogation mark, not as an extra, meaningless label, one among thousands, nor as a piece of paper valued at so many pence. Let him work through his album, saying, "What does that design stand for?" "What does that inscription mean?" "Who printed these stamps and by what method?" "Why was this overprint or surcharge applied?", and any other question which each may suggest. The answer is to be found, somewhere, in most cases, and in getting the required information the collector will be building up the knowledge which cannot fail to lead to success, whether pleasure or profit is his aim.—*Stanley Gibbons Monthly Circular.*

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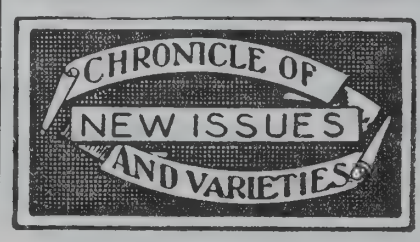

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UNITED STATES.—Most of the copies of the 3c, issue of 1867, with grill covering the entire back, that have been seen heretofore on covers have been used from small towns. The Scott Stamp & Coin Co. have just shown me three covers with this stamp, from a small correspondence that they recently located, postmarked "Phila,Pa" with month and day date within a small circle. These were used in September, October and December, 1867. I have never seen this stamp with a Philadelphia cancellation heretofore nor have I seen the variety from New York.

The same firm also call my attention to the fact that the well known Franklin carrier has been located with a strong horizontal crack in the plate. The copy in question has a red carrier cancellation.

We desire to thank the Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Mr. L. B. Hill for an additional list of plate numbers. This brings our records up to May 18, 1922.

Plate No.	Denom.	Class	Series	Subj.
13683-13687	2c	Ord.	1911	400
13687	3c	Offset	"	400
13688-13691	2c	Ord.	"	400
13692-13695	2c	Ord. Cvd.	"	170
13696-13697	2c	Ord. Cvd.	"	400
13698-13717	2c	Ord.	"	400
13718-13721	2c	Ord. Cvd.	"	170
13722-13723	2c	Ord. Cvd.	"	400
13724-13739	2c	Ord.	"	400
13740-13743	2c	Ord. Cvd.	"	170
13744-13745	1c	Ord. Cvd.	"	400
13746-13749	2c	Ord.	"	400
13750-13753	7c	Ord.	1914	400
13754-13757	9c	Ord.	"	400
13758-13761	2c	Ord.	1911	400
13762-13763	1c	Ord.	"	400
13764-13767	2c	Ord. Cvd.	"	170
13768-13775	2c	Ord.	"	400
13776-13779	2c	Ord. Cvd.	"	170
13780-13783	2c	Ord.	"	400
13784-13785	1c	Ord. Cvd.	"	400
13786-13789	2c	Ord. Cvd.	"	170
13790-13791	1c	Ord. Cvd.	"	400
13792-13795	2c	Ord.	"	400
13796-13799	10c	Ord.	1914	400
13800-13815	2c	Ord. Cvd.	1911	170
13816-13819	10c	Spec. Del.	1902	200
13820-13821	1c	Ord. Cvd.	1911	170
13822-13825	5c	Ord.	1908	400
13826-13829	1c	Ord. Cvd.	1911	170
13830-13831	2c	Ord. Cvd.	"	170
13832-13833	2c	Ord. Cvd.	"	150
13834-13835	2c	Ord. Cvd.	"	400
13836-13839	2c	Ord.	"	400
13840-13843	2c	Ord. Cvd.	"	170
13844-13847	2c	Post. Due.	1894	400

On reading the above list carefully the first thing that strikes one's attention is the single plate of the 3c of the offset or surface type. Why this single plate is coming along at this time, unless for experimental purposes, I cannot say. I am making further inquiry and will advise our readers at a future date. It will also be noticed that several pairs of the 2c rotary plates of four hundred subjects are on the list and this certainly should mean that we will see the 2c rotary, perforated 10, in sheet form before long. We have the first set of 2c postage due plates that we have had for sometime as well as sets of the 7c and 9c denominations which are not made often.

Mr. H. Clay Reed recently obtained an assortment of used provisional envelopes and in going over the lot informs me that he found quite a few varieties that have not been chronicled heretofore.

1920-1921, 2c on 3c Provisional Envelopes.

Jacksonville Overprint.
Die A on amber, Size 13, Wmk. 20, L. B.
Little Rock Overprint.
Die A on white, Size 9, Wmk. 20, H. B.
Second New York Overprint.
Die H on white, Size 9, Wmk. 20, H. B.
Pittsburgh Overprint.
Die H on white, Size 5, Wmk. 19, H. B.
Omaha Overprint.
Die A on white, Size 5, Wmk. 20, H. B.
Die A on amber, Size 5, Wmk. 20, L. B.
Die A on buff, Size 5, Wmk. 19, L. B.
Die E on blue, Size 5, Wmk. 19, L. B.
St. Louis (IV-7) Overprint.
Die E on buff, Size 5, Wmk. 19, L. B.
Salt Lake City Overprint.
Die H on white, Size 9, Wmk. 20, H. B.

It is odd that a new revenue stamp should be issued without coming promptly to our attention, but such is the case. The Scott Co. have shown me a new Class A Playing Card stamp, rouletted, about the size of the former variety. I imagine the last large variety was too cumbersome for small packages and that the manufacturers kicked. The new variety is in blue, on paper watermarked double line U S I R, has "Class A" in large letters in the center, with "Playing Cards" in a semi-circle directly above. Horizontally across the top of the stamp we find "U. S. I. R." The value is not expressed but under today's tax law it is an 8c variety.

An advance sheet of the new Gibbons catalogue, dealing with the 1851-1857 issues has been distributed, and judging from this, the book will answer the demand of the specialist. For sometime advanced collectors have desired the Scott Company to take the lead in furnishing such information, and it is to be regretted that they have allowed an English firm to do it. The page gives all the data regarding the many varieties of these issues and in compiling this Mr. Phillips has no doubt covered all of the leading articles on the subject published on this side of the water. Not only the type varieties, but paper varieties, shifts, double transfers, recuts, etc., are covered and most of them are priced. The Scott people will also have some information of great importance to announce very shortly, and while I am not at liberty at this time to give the details, I can say we will not have to look to the English catalogue for any great length of time as the authority on United States issues. The finest collections of our stamps are in this country, the best posted students of our issues are on this side of the water and there is certainly no reason that our publications should not be about the last word on the subject.

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BORNEO—Mr. R. A. Griffin advise he has received a copy of Straits, N script watermark overprinted "M Borneo Exhibition" in three lines.

EGYPT—The Economist Stamp Co mit for chronicle a 15m stamp o color, the likeness of an idol in th tre. In the lower left and upper le the figures of value and in the othe ners native characters. The "Egypt Postage" are at the left "Fifteen Milliemes" at the right.

FINLAND—The Economist Stamp advise us of the appearance of a 60 lilac in the type of 1917-18 issue.

GREAT BRITAIN—Mr. James Howe sends us a cover mailed from don with no stamps thereon but simp postmark in circular shape with words, "Bungay 42 PAID 2 My 21 PM." We presume that this is th called "Metered" mail.

HEJAZ.—From a friend in the East Arthur E. Wellington has rec specimens of the current stamps King Hoosain courteously permitt be sent him uncancelled. The write firms that the stamps came from itself, the holy city of the Mohamme to which not more than two or Europeans have ever penetrated and only under the protections of a ca disguise and a profession of the of Islam.

HUNGARY—The Economist Stamp advise of the following new issues o country: 4kr red, Harvester type 25kr orange, and 40kr grey-green o Parliament design.

LATVIA—The Economist Stamp submit to us for chronicle two trian shape stamps for airplane mail use. are 10r green, and 20r blue and are o same type. At the top is "Latvija" directly below at the point are the fig of value. Above is "Rublu." In the c is a picture of an airplane in action.

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TAY—The Economist Stamp Co. appearance of a 50c, in red and 1p in blue and brown. The re oblong in shape and in the w the same view as the stamps 1920. At the top are the "Cor- guay 1921" with "U. P. U." be- t the bottom in each corner are es of value with the monetary veen. The two values have also printed with a large "C" in the red.

CIA—Mr. J. A. Galbraith sends brown and the 2d grey on script ked paper. The former value type of A11 while the latter is

AIN'T IT JUST SO?

he above heading is a regular fea- e Los Angeles "Times", and the rose poem is selected from a re- er. The author is a brother of hrelfall, who is an old-time phila- subscriber to the WEEKLY.—W.

Dink Beeson says that neral that ever led a l invasion into an en- try knows that if he to keep his line of ations open to his home- , he's a goner, Hannibal and Cromwell knew it and knew it, especially ne time he made his Moscow and lost and s we go marching down ore or less enemy's f every man's life, he man that keeps as is youth with him on as possible is the aigner, but if he liked nd gave that up on his rtunity, or fishing that up, or movies or ovels or collecting amps, and decides that mounts to anything, why, t and the sooner he is for his wooden overcoat it will be for his d those he ind.

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BELGIUM.

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to state whether centimes or francs! As regards the rest of the design we cannot do better than quote the flippant description given in the *Philatelic Record* for July, 1891:—"The two remaining angles are filled up with a marine-store assemblage of miscellaneous articles, amongst which we can discern a cog-wheel, the fluke of an anchor, and something that resembles a dice-box amidst a bed of roses."

The head was the same as that engraved on the portrait stamps of the last series, being the work of M. Mouchon. In fact, it was taken from one of the Mouchon dies; but the frame around it was designed by Mr. H. Hendrickx, and this part of the die was engraved by Mr. A. Doms. These gentlemen labeled their handiwork as shown by the letters "HH" and "AD" in microscopic capitals, at the left and right respectively, of the foot of the design. In addition to the "control" marks found in the beard of the stamps of the last issue Mr. de Bont has discovered that the cryptic message "14727" has been introduced on the King's cheek in this design!

This stamp was printed from a plate of 300 subjects in the same manner as its predecessors and on similar unwatermarked white paper and it is chiefly remarkable as being the type which served for all the values of 10 centimes and over in the following issue with Sunday label.

The perforation was the work of the 14 comb-machine.

Mr. de Bont says there were three distinct printings of these stamps giving a total of 1,180,000 copies and that the only varieties are those "in which there are defective impressions showing in the words "BELGIQUE" and "POSTERIJEN". On the other hand Mr. Bouvez says there were only two printings giving a total of 2,400,000 stamps. The same writer mentions the minor varieties more fully and infers they were constant throughout about half of the second printing, viz.:—

"The first supply did not present anything peculiar, but on many stamps of the first sheets of the second supply defects or irregularities were noticed in the impression, the result either of an incomplete reproduction of the engraving, or of the used condition of the galvanoplate of the first supply, which had to be again resorted to, and which had to undergo repair. About 1,600 sheets were printed by means of the old plate, and these were supplied to a certain number of post offices on the 1st of November, 1892. The principal errors on these sheets are always reproduced in the same order but with certain variations. We have deemed it of interest to indicate the places which these errors occupy on each sheet, and to explain the nature of each one in numerical order:—

1.—Nos. 5, 25, 91, 114 and 297, we find BELGIOUF instead of BELGIQUE.

2.—Nos. 9, 59, 139, 228 and 264, the head of T in POSTES is cut at the right.

3.—Nos. 38, 83 and 164, the white circle surrounding the medallion is stained near the bottom, between the letter E of BELGIE and the letter P of POSTERIJEN.

4.—Nos. 53, 219 and 283, we find BELGIGUE instead of BELGIQUE.

5.—Nos. 68 and 173, we find BELGIoue instead of BELGIQUE.

6.—Nos. 147, 194 and 242, the star above the border surrounding the medallion is defective.

7.—Nos. 19, 122 and 272, we find POSTEPIJEN instead of POSTERIJEN.

The plate having been inspected and repaired after the supply of the 1600 sheets above mentioned, sheets which were subsequently printed showed only one error, on the stamp corresponding to No. 122. This error is the same as 7 above."

While the above is written as though the facts were indubitably proved, we have, unfortunately, been unable to obtain any corroboration from the findings of other students. As so many other statements by the same writer have not been substantiated by the investigations of other authors we give the above with a good deal of reserve. It is curious, however, to say the least of it, that if these minor varieties appeared with such constancy throughout the first sheets printed of the second supply that there should be no trace of them in the last printed sheets of the first supply. Only one plate was used and we have pointed out similar varieties in other issues which were caused by defective electrotypes, poor printing and a combination of both, but we have yet to learn that any of those plates were ever repaired, with the exception of the BELGIGUE variety on the 1c.

The stamp varies but slightly in shade and it had but a short life, for in 1893, the Sunday label series appeared. A Special Order published on February 26th, 1898, gave instructions that no further supplies of this value without the Sunday label were to be given out.

Reference list:

1891. Head engraved by E. Mouchon. Frame designed by H. Hendrickx and engraved by A. Doms. No wmk. Perf. 14.

35 centimes red-brown.

(To be continued.)

BENADIR.

Italian protectorate on coast of Somaliland, N. E. Africa. Extends from Cape Guardafui to the Juba River. Area, 139,430 sq. m.; pop., 650,000. Chief settlement, Mogadiscio. Under a Royal Charter of May 25th, 1898, the administration and development of this territory was entrusted to "La Societa Anonima Commerciale Italiana del Benadir" of Milan, which undertook, *inter alia* "to carry out the postal service in accordance with the conditions laid down by the Postal Union." Post offices were opened at Brava, Giumbo, Mecca and Mogadiscio on Nov. 1st, 1903, when stamps showing the heads of an elephant and a lion respectively were brought into use. These stamps were designed by M. Mellicowitz, engraved by M. Alberto Repattati, and surface-printed on Crown watermarked paper at the Office for Stamped Papers, Turin. There were seven denominations, from 1 besa to 10 annas. In consequence of abuses by the chartered company, the Italian Government intervened, and on March 15th, 1905, assumed control of the territory which was officially designated "Somalia Italiana Meridionale" (Italian Southern Somaliland). Italian currency was introduced, in consequence of which value surcharges were apposed on the Benadir stamps, locally (in January) and at Turin (in May, 1906). Further surcharging took place at intervals between 1907 and 1916. The loss of a consignment of regular postage stamps through the sinking of the *S. S. Giava* by enemy action in the Mediterranean, necessitated the local surcharges made at Mogadiscio in July, 1916. Local currency was reinstated in 1921, when the stamps of 1907-16 were resurcharged in *besas* and *annas* pending the new and definitive series inscribed "Somali Italiana Meridionale."—*Stamp Collectors Monthly Journal.*

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MORE PHILATELIC WANDERINGS IN EAST ASIA.

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most at our destination. I really was sorry, for we had delightful traveling companions—the ex-Minister to England and Germany of Siam, and his wife, the ex-Secretary of the Treasury, a brother of the King, etc., and the educated Siamese are the most delightful people in all Eastern Asia.

At last, at dark, Mother Menam, beloved river of the Siamese, appeared with its gleaming lights, and we rolled slowly into Bangkok Noi, on the western bank of the Menam Chao Phya. Some of my good Siamese friends were awaiting me, and we quickly embarked in a quaint Siamese sampan and crossed the river to the city itself and motored to the delightful new Royal Hotel.

I love Siam more every time I visit it, and consider it the quaintest and least-known city south of Kyoto, with charming people and a most fascinating city life, to say nothing of its temples, parks and palaces. Being a member of the Siam Society, I was able to see much that was otherwise impossible, and to have the joy of seeing some wonderful collections of things Siamese.

I spent one of the most memorable days of my life in Ayuthiá, the ancient capital, some hours north of Krung Tep (Bangkok) also on the Menam. After arriving at the station, one must row up the river some distance, then turn into a klong (canal) crowded with floating houses and boats, to reach what was once the pride and glory of Siam. After a passable tiffin in an unspeakable Chinese inn—Chinese cooking is excellent if one does not watch the process—we wandered through a jungle track to the great, extensive ruins of the city, which extend for miles. Then one comes in sight of prachedis and wats and towers, fallen into ruins and speaking of the glorious days that are no more. For the Burman crept down upon the city a hundred and seventy-five years ago, and now

"They say the Lion and the Lizard keep
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and the grandeur of Ayuthia is no more. One walks for hundreds of yards on grass-grown tiles, on the central court and throne-room of the ancient kings of the Thais, and stumbles over heads of the Lord Buddh or armless trunks, and carved lotus capitals and pillars. The ruins are the most fascinating, in that they have never been adequately described or surveyed. You may imagine what a wonderfully virgin field they are, and how little visited, when I tell you that I burrowed here and there in the shapeless piles of brick and unearthed an exquisite green bronze head of Buddha, almost life size, in tiara and head-dress, and a fine small bronze bust, besides a beautiful but headless seated figure, as well as perfect hands, feet, etc. How I revelled in it all! Then I visited the great Buddha, image of the gentle Siddhartha, seated majestically in a roofless and ruined temple, open to the sky. Seated beneath the brassy skies and Southern Cross of old Siam, he looks serenely and calmly upon the ruins of today, as he placidly and pityingly looked down upon the sons of man who placed him there, these many centuries ago, ere Constantine Faulkon came to stir the ambitions of the king, or the Peguans and the men of Ava plotted the destruction of Ayuthia.

There in the hot sun he sits, and around him spreads the adomination of desolation. A generation has grown up down the river that knows not Ayuthia and its glories, and slowly, but surely, the jungle is again claiming its own, and the compassionate Sakyamuni has none but the crows of the air and the jackals of the field to do him homage. . . . So let us leave sad, beautiful, mysterious Ayuthia and its story.

The exportation of images of Buddha is forbidden since some impious actions of certain Germans several years ago. To buy them is next to impossible. Besides those I dug up in Ayuthia, and several others received as gifts, I obtained a real beauty. I was dining with the Belgian Minister and several members of the French Legation when someone who shall be nameless, offered to get me one, after hearing the tale of my difficulties. And sure enough, that very evening appeared a magnificent standing, preaching Buddha, about three feet high, in gilded bronze, at least four hundred years old. The price? Ah, well, it would not do to make you envious. But it had to be smuggled out in plebian gunny-sacks, and a tale had to be told by one Siamese official to another near the border. But this is a tale which must not be told. Sufficient to say that the image of the sage of the Sakyas reposes peacefully in Singapura, City of the Lions, awaiting my return from Java, once converted to His gentle teachings, but now following the Prophet of the Desert, and making pilgrimages to Mecca.

But I forget that mayhap you would like to hear of Siamese things philatelic.

I discovered one dealer, from whom I bought good things at prices which would make the catalogue turn green with envy, a six-pound catalogue stamp at Ticals 9.00=One pound and the like. So I filled up many gaps and would have filled up more had the God of Money been more gracious to me.

Then I hied me to the General Post Office, where I have a good friend in high station, very near the stamp desk. So I obtained the current set, through 50 satangs. The old 2 and 3 satangs are still being used throughout the Kingdom, though the new ones are obtainable from the wholesale desk. However, the London Print of the baht values was not to be had anywhere, except the 10 baht. The Main Post Office, No. 1, had a very large number of sheets of the older print, but only the 10 baht of the new one.

Of the "Scout Stamps", large numbers of the last issue are on hand, but none of the others. Of the Chulalongkorn stamps, a small number of the 6 satangs and 28 satangs of the last set are on hand, but of the king on horseback, I bought the last nine in the office of the 3 tical value, and the last single 2 tical value. None others are to be had at all.

In Siam, as elsewhere in this part of the world, a knowledge of the native tongue, no matter how limited, is necessary to bargaining. For instance, my stamp dealer knew no English, Chinese or Malay, so it was Siamese or nothing. The numerals are like Chinese, for instance, 1, 2, etc., are Nüng, song, sam, si, ha, hok, chet pet, gow, sip, sip nüng, sip song, etc. But it has many tones, like Cantonese. For example, the following four words, all pronounced differently, make a perfect sentence in Thai—"Khai,

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khai khai, khai", i.e., "Who sells hen's eggs?" But a few days enables one to get around sufficiently, and this was not my first visit to Siam, either.

My time in the Thai capital was all too short, so, after ransacking thoroughly all the second-hand shops and pawnshops—and their number is legion,—for Lao sines, Siamese niello work and Chengmai silk scarves of soft tones and fine work, I traveled back, this time with a Judge of the Supreme Court as my traveling companion. I visited Penang, but saw nothing there of philatelic interest.

And now to the Malaya-Borneo Exhibition which opened the day after my return from Siam.

On March 31st the Prince of Wales came to Singapore, and opened the Exhibition in person. Singapore was full of royalties and rajahs and Highnesses. Sir Charles Viner Brooke, third Rajah of Sarawak, had a table next to me at the hotel, and most kindly gave me an autographed copy of Baring-Gould's "History of Sarawak under Its Two White Rajahs." He is a fine-looking man, but appears quite a bit older than his portrait on the current issue of stamps. The Sultan of Johore was everywhere in evidence, a tall, heavy, finely-built man, always dressed in an officer's khaki uniform and topi. Then there was the Sultan of Kedah who sat immediately behind me at "Carmen" at the Opera House that night, in gorgeous cloth-of-gold sarong, with a headcloth curiously peaked cloth), surrounded by an entourage only less resplendently saronged and bajued than himself. Between us, I'm sure that they didn't enjoy "Carmen" overmuch. Then, at the races, in the royal enclosure, with the Prince of Wales only ten feet away, the Sultan of Perak, in light green silk baju and gold sarong, received from His Royal Highness a cup for his winning horse. And that night, in a dim corner of the ballroom, where the Prince of Wales was the guest of honor, I espied a dark little Malay in a costly sarong, with a headcloth curiously peaked like a jockey's cap, but very long, and turned up at the edges, all of gold. His Highness, the Sultan of Perlis. The other sultans had met the Prince in Kuala Lumpur, and rumour had it that His Highness of Trengganu didn't approve of the place assigned him in the ceremonies, so was "sick" and sent a tungku, or minister, to represent him. It gave me a queer feeling to see in the flesh all these celebrities of the stamp album.

But to the Exhibition stamps—quite an exhibition, by the way. The first day the stamps were first put on sale at a tiny office in the grounds. I bought a half-sheet of some values, and some sets, which were prepared to sell at one dollar, all put up in labelled envelopes. These sets were up to 45 cents, though others were for sale. Those overprinted "MALAY-BORNEO EXHIBITION" were the 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 45 cents, $1, 2, 5. The explanation given me at the Post Office was that they wanted the set to sell for exactly $9.00, and therefore only those values were surcharged. I can't say that the reason appealed to me.

The following day the post-offices were besieged with people who wanted the stamps. I managed to get some sheets and panes—my share. I have found the following errors, which make it appear as though the stamps were overprinted in panes of 60 at a time. Every alternate stamp of the sixth and twelfth vertical rows on the sheet, commencing with the second, has a small second "A" in MALAYA. Many stamps on each sheet exist without a stop after EXHIBITION. I have my stamps in Singapore, so cannot indicate which stamps have this except that I know that the fourth stamp in the bottom row of each pane has no stop. I have obtained these errors in all values. I am told that a variety exists without hyphen between MALAYA and BORNEO, but this variety I have not seen.

On Saturday, at noon, appeared a few sets of Borneo, surcharged in black on some value, in red on others, as above, with the addition of "1922". I obtained four sets, at $2.00, including two copies of a couple of the values, to make up the amount. I have seen no sheets, panes, or blocks of the above, so I cannot say whether or not there are any errors. The other surcharges I have not seen as yet, as I left on Sunday, the second, for Java. I was informed, however, that a corrected setting of the Straits Settlements stamps, as described above, was being made, with all the varieties removed.

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CANCELLATIONS.

By FORREST SHREVE.

It has been argued frequently that geographical interest is the fundamental thing which underlies the desire to collect stamps. There is a great deal to be said in support of this statement, if anyone really cares to study the grand constellation of motives that attract young and old to the enjoyment of The Supreme Hobby. It has been less frequently commented on that the collecting of precancelled stamps, postmarks and cancellations is also largely based on the geographical appeal. Precancels are nothing more than stamps that have been legibly obliterated in a special manner with the name of the using office, and the gathering of precancels is therefore simply a part of the larger field of cancellations. Not only has the precancel field grown tremendously in favor in this country and Canada, but the entire study of cancellations is now being given far greater attention than it received ten years ago.

In the early days of stamps it was a common custom to supply each post-office with a "killer" bearing a number surrounded by some simple device. Each post-office was assigned a number, and the official lists of the offices to which these numbers refer provide us with a key by which we can discover at what office any stamp with numbered cancellation was used. Sometimes a dated or undated town-name postmark was used in addition to the killer, but in such cases the postmark was usually placed at some distance from the stamp, so as to be perfectly legible. In England the collecting of numerical cancellations on British stamps has long been popular, and the Victorian issues with cancellations showing their use at foreign offices have always commanded interest. The early issues of France, Netherlands, Denmark, and other European countries bore smaller numbers than the British stamps, surrounded by circles or dots, and each of these countries has a few devotees who are still hunting for ten or a dozen elusive numbers. The collector of cancellations on early United States stamps has a much more complicated series of numbers, letters and symbols with which to deal, giving greater elasticity to their collection and arrangement.

In these days of specialization a collector is very apt to become interested in the cancellations of his favorite countries. In the United States the machine cancellation has taken all the lure out of collecting obliterations on current issues, and has thrown the interest to pre-cancels and postmarks. In many foreign countries, however, the machine cancellation is little used and the postmark is placed directly on the stamp. These countries offer interesting fields for collecting a series of one or more stamps used at each of the offices. Many practical considerations have to be taken into account before starting to collect the cancellations of a given country. Some countries have such a large number of offices that much patience and many years would be required to begin to make a showing in them. This is true, even of countries with a relatively small population, such as Chile, Victoria and New Zealand. Other countries use such inferior cancelling ink or such badly-worn hand-stamps, that the great majority of their postmarks are not legible. Still other countries have a very small list of offices, and give fine promise of the early completion of a set of town-name cancellations, but experience and prolonged hunting, followed by a consulation of the atlas, will discover that some of these offices are very small and send out only a handful of letters per week. Between these extremes lie a number of countries, particularly among the smaller British Colonies, in which there are enough offices to furnish a good field, and where enough mail is handled to make it possible to secure a good showing. Among the larger fields are Jamaica, Newfoundland and Ceylon, while smaller fields are offered by Trinidad, Fiji, Gold Coast, Mauritius, Bermuda and many others. Most of these dominions and colonies used numerical cancellations on their early issues, which can be collected along with the more readily obtained town-name cancellations.

Jamaica may be taken as an example of the colonies in which it is possible to make a good showing of regular issues with the two series of cancellations. Prior to 1874, there were 58 post-offices at small out-lay, and to supplement it in Jamaica. Kingston, the capital, was designated by the cancellation "A 01" in an oval of horizontal bars with short bars at each side. The other offices, in alphabetical order, used the designations from A 27 to A 83. From 1874, to about 1885, 25 more offices were established, using "killers" with either one letter and two figures, or else three figures. The majority of the numerical cancellations were used at the largest towns in the island but 16 of them used at small offices have been discontinued in later years, so that town-name cancellations do not exist for some of them and are very rare for others.

The search for stamps with legible names is a very diverting game for the simon-pure collector. There are now slightly more than 200 post-offices in Jamaica. There are half a dozen varieties of Jamaican stamps that can be bought for 15c to 40c per 100. The 30 largest towns will be found in the first two or three hundred stamps examined, and then the real fun will begin. History, geography and natural history will vie with each other in giving interest to the search. Where else in the world can one find such quaint names as Four Paths, Half Way Tree, Above Rocks, Harry Watch, and Giddy Hall?

The Spanish occupation of the island, which ceased over 250 years ago, is perpetuated in such names as Rio Bueno, Savanna-la-Mar, Oracabessa, and Ocho Rios. The Englishman who goes out to the colonies never fails to take with him the familiar names of his native land, which is "home" to him the rest of his life. In Jamaica we have Old England, Little London, Windsor Castle, Bath, Shooters Hill, and a score of other transplanted names. Alligator Pond, Bamboo, Anchovy, Manchioneal, and Pear Tree Grove are all distinctive of tropical land, the last referring to the avocado or alligator pear, and not to the own fruit of that name. Many other names of offices require interpretation, for Ffyfe's Pen and May Pen are not the homes of penitentiaries, but are names for near-by "pens" or stock farms. Salt Gut is a narrow estuary with occasional water, the word "gut" being used in a sense which is common on the southern Atlantic seaboard. Mavis Bank is named for a Scotch bird which no inhabitant of that mountain village has ever seen. To anyone who has visited this charming tropical island, the names of its many ports and bays, and such names as Cascade, Lluidas Vale, Swift River and Blue Mountain Valley will recall pictures of unforgettable beauty.

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The city of Lockport has a new title to fame. It has had wide and favorable mention for nearly a century for its unique and interesting canal locks; it has had occasion for boasting over the famous men and women who were once counted among its residents, among them Potter Palmer, who sought a wider field for merchandising in Chicago; Belva Lockwood, a feminine candidate for the presidency, and Washington Hunt, once governor of New York.

New and desirable publicity now comes to Lockport by way of Paris. It is only a tiny scrap of paper that did the business, but by virture of its rarity it brought an almost unbelievable sum—75,000 francs. The highly-prized article sold was the only known copy of the Lockport postmaster's provisional stamp, issued in 1846, one of a number of similar stamps making up a part of the collection of Baron Ferrari, an Austrian nobleman, who died in 1917, after 53 year of stamp collecting. His splendid collection, one of the finest in the world, was seized by the French government, which will appropriate the proceeds of a dispersal at auction.

This is a great year in Lockport postoffice history, for, aside from the sale of this valuable stamp there is further reason for celebrating. It is just a century since the Lockport postoffice was established with George H. Broughton as first postmaster. In 1822 Western New York was largely forest, but Lockport was dreaming of prosperous days to come with the opening of the Erie canal. On the site of the future city half a dozen families were living in unfinished log houses, but other homes were building and village lots were being sold as fast as the land was cleared. The hamlet already had its tavern where the canal contractors boarded and soon stores were opened and the first newspaper established—the Lockport *Observatory*.

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A little study of early postal conditions will show how it was that the Lockport postmaster decided to issue his own stamps.

Not only were postal facilities limited in 1825, but the conduct of correspondence was expensive. The rates were those established under the act of April 9, 1916. It cost six cents to send a single-sheet letter from Lockport to Buffalo and 25 cents to New York. The schedule was: 30 miles or under six cents; 30 miles to 80 miles ten cents; 80 to 150 miles 12½ cents; 150 to 400 miles, 18½ cents; more than 400 miles 25 cents. In one respect the government was liberal; postage did not need to be paid in advance. In fact, so many letters went collect that the system became a nuisance. A great number of useless and unwanted letters were mailed and the government revenues ran behind.

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A few thrifty postmasters determined to change things. It cost money to wear a silk hat and carry a cane to support the dignity of governmental office, and the government seemed to be shirking its responsibilities as a provider. So the postmasters of a few towns and cities had stamps printed and paid for them out of their own pockets. These stamps were good only at postoffices where issued. Among the postmasters who adopted the new plan were those of New York, Baltimore, Alexandria, Va., Boscawen, N. H., Millbury, Mass., New Haven, Conn., Brattleboro, Vt., Saint Louis, Mo., and Lockport, N. Y. The stamps were not things of beauty, but as a rule of quite crude design. Because of their rarity, however, all have risen greatly in value. Each stamp has a story in this respect. The Boscawen stamp, worth only a nickel when issued in 1846, sold at the Ferrari auction in Paris for the equivalent of $12,500. The residents of the little town of Boscawen have hardly recovered from the shock, and some of them may be still hunting from cellar to attic to find more of these amazingly valuable specimens of philately.

The Lockport stamp is listed in the catalogue of the Scott Stamp Company, which includes all stamps ever issued, as No. 13, and as "black and red, buff." As shown by the illustration, the design is simple and the printing without any effort at ornamentation. The stamp does not compare in attractiveness with those issued by some of the other postmasters, particularly with that of the New York office. Yet its value is vastly beyond the New York stamp, which is comparatively common, as early stamps go.

Stamp Value Increased.

The Lockport postmaster who issued the stamp was Colonel H. W. Scovell, who became a resident of the town in 1831, was appointed postmaster in 1835, and reappointed in 1840. He served until 1849, his long term covering several changes in the presidency and the administration of the postoffice department. How many stamps he issued is conjectural. Some other postmasters got out as many as 500, but, so far as known, only one of the Lockport stamps is now in existence. It is barely possible that others may be discovered. No doubt some of these stamps were on letters received in Buffalo and remained long hidden away in trunks and boxes in household attics. The specimen sold in Paris is said to have changed hands a few years ago for $100.

Colonel Scovell's remuneration as Lockport postmaster for the year ending in 1847, as shown by official statistics, was $1,246.43, a fair-sized income for the day and for a town of not more than 9,000 population, but certainly small in comparison with the price a stamp collector was willing to pay for a faded piece of paper stamped "Lockport, N. Y. Paid 5." Moreover, the 75,000 francs does not represent the entire cost. The French government imposes a 17½ per cent. tax upon the purchaser. The price realized in American money, therefore, was $7,500 plus 17½ per cent., making it $8,812. That amount would have paid the postmaster's salary for seven years. It is also a little more than three times the net proceeds of the Lockport postoffice for the year ending in 1847. The prices paid at Paris have been the highest on record and certainly indicate that stamp collecting is in high favor with men of money.

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CHAPTER XV.

The Sunday Label Stamps.

During the year 1892, there were rumours that the Minister of Railways, Posts and Telegraph, desirous of lightening the labors of postal employes on Sundays, conceived that this could be effected by the issue of stamps expressing on their face the sender's desire that the letters should not be delivered on the Sabbath. He ordered the director of the stamp factory at Malines to prepare specimens of the current 10c and 25c stamps with a removable tablet at the foot. These essays consisted of the 10c

and 25c stamps of the 1884-7 series with a label at foot intimating, in both French and Flemish, that the letter franked by them was not to be delivered on a Sunday. Apparently some of the essays were distributed and most of the contemporary philatelic papers chronicled them with hoots of derision. The comments below, from the *Philatelic Record* and *Monthly Journal* respectively, are typical of the general opinions so frankly expressed:—

Philatelic Record.—"The project does not find much favor, and will probably be abandoned, for it bears absurdity on the face of it. Why not close the post-office in Brussels on a Sunday, and limit the delivery in other places to one a day, as is done in England, or give them the benefit of local option? Why are newspapers and foreign letters to be delivered and not inland and town letters. If the Belgians do nothing worse on a Sunday than read and write a few letters, they are very good people and most exemplary Sabbatarians."

Monthly Journal.—"A better plan would be, if this foolishness is to be continued, to issue the Sabbatarian coupons in separate sheets, free of charge, to those who wish for them; it would probably be more economical, and if they were made on thin paper. and a little more square in shape, they would make very neat gummed hinges! This would ensure a good circulation of them among philatelists. Minister Vandenpeereboom owes us something, for it is stated that he boasts that every new stamp produces a profit to the post-office of 50,000 francs. We are evidently looked upon as public benefactors, and there is no great difference between a philatelist and a philanthropist after all!"

But notwithstanding the general opinion that the idea was too farcical to be taken seriously the Belgian administration proceeded with the scheme and the following Royal decree authorised the new stamps:

"At the Request of Our Minister of Railways, Posts and Telegraphs:—

We have decreed and do decree:

1.—New types of postage stamps will be created to take the place of those authorized by previous decrees.

2.—The stamps of 10 centimes and over will bear Our Portrait. Those of a less value than 10 centimes will show Our Arms.

3.—The inscriptions on the new postage stamps will be in French and also in Flemish.

4.—The new postage stamps will be sold at their full values.

5.—The stamps of the designs now current will continue to be valid until supplies are exhausted.

May 14th, 1893.

(Signed) LEOPOLD."

This Royal announceemnt was followed by a Ministerial decree on the next day stating the colors and values of the stamps in the new series, etc.:—

"IT IS DECREED:

Art. 1.—The postage stamps of the new issue will have attached to them a label inscribed NE PAS LIVRER LE DIMANCHE—NIET BESTELLEN OP ZONDAG.

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Correspondence bearing this label will not be delivered on Sundays or holidays.

Art. 2.—The values and colors of the new postage stamps will be as follows:—

10 centimes, red.
20 centimes, reseda.
25 centimes, blue.
35 centimes, brown.
50 centimes bistre.
1 franc, carmine on light green.
2 francs, lilac on rose.
1 centime, grey.
2 centimes, orange.
5 centimes, green.

Art. 3.—The issue of the new stamps will commence with the 10 centimes value which will be put on sale on June 1 next.

Brussels, May 15, 1893.

(Signed) J. VANDENPEEREBOOM."

A further decree, dated July 7th, 1893, announced that the other values of the series would be issued on the following dates: the 2, 20 and 25 centimes on August 1st, the 1 and 5 centimes on September 1st, the 50 centimes and 1 franc on October 1st, and the 35 centimes and 2 francs on November 1st.

On October 24th, 1893, the color of the 2 centimes was changed from yellow to red-brown by official decree and in March, 1897, another decree announced that "the 50 centimes stamp now printed in bistre will in future be printed in grey".

One design served for all the denominations from 10 centimes to 2 francs inclusive, this being adapted from the 35c stamp of the last issue. Evidently the original 35c die was used, the value discs being removed, and then the secondary dies were inscribed with the desired denomination.

For the stamps of 1, 2 and 5 centimes a new design was drawn by H. Hendrickx and the die engraved by A. Doms, as shown by the initials "HH" and "AD", which appear in microscopic letters at the bottom of the design. The Royal Arms are displayed on a mantle on a ground of fine vertical lines with "BELGIQUE" at left and "BELGIE" at right, while at the top is "POSTES" and below is "POSTERIJEN". In the upper angles are ornamental wings while the value is shown on small squares in each of the lower corners.

The Dominical label is the same on all the values of the series and consists of an oblong inscribed in two lines "NE PAS LIVRER LE DIMANCHE—NIET BESTELLEN OP ZONDAG" with narrow ornamental border below and a wider one above. The label is separated from the design proper by a white space about the width of a hair. The ornamentation at top was supposed to receive the line of perforation so that the label could be easily removed if desired. The upper line of inscription is in French and the lower one in Flemish and both mean literally "not to be delivered on Sunday".

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issues and we believe all the plates contained 300 subjects, as before, but arranged in six panes of fifty stamps each with margins between the panes. The label, of course, added considerably to the surface area of each individual stamp so that the plates were a good deal larger than any previously manufactured in Belgium.

(To be continued.)

PHILATELIC INDIGNATION.

By STANLEY PHILLIPS.

We think the attention of collectors should be drawn to the attempt to exploit them which is being made by the Governments of the Straits Settlements, and other dependencies, by means of what we regard as a totally unnecessary overprint.

During March we received circulars from the Crown Agents for the Colonies which stated that the Straits Government proposed to overprint certain stamps "MALAYA BORNEO EXHIBITION" for sale during the exhibition, which would be open from 31st March—8th April, and requested us to notify our requirements and to give the issue publicity in our columns. As we did not reply to this letter we were pressed for our requirements by 'phone and stated that they were nil. Following this, similar letters notified that North Borneo, Brunei and Trengganu were about to overprint *their* stamps in the same way.

The eagerness displayed in ascertaining the trade demand for these stamps and in attempting to secure publicity for them leaves no doubt in our mind that these issues were planned *with the sole idea of extracting money from the pockets of stamp collectors.* If they had been in use for some months before the exhibition opened, they might be claimed to be an advertisement, though a special postmark would have served the purpose just as well, but, issued at the time of the exhibition their advertising value is practically nil, and there certainly seems no reason why a colonial exhibition should be "commemorated."

It is time that the authorities throughout the Empire realized that stamp collectors *refuse to be fleeced by the issue of these unnecessary varieties.* We trust that the trade as a whole have refused to indent for such rubbish, so that the purveyors may realize that the game is not worth the candle. In any case collectors must realize that only by boycotting effectively such issues as these can they avoid having their albums and catalogues swollen with stamps which have not the faintest philatelic or historic interest. Perhaps the Philatelic Congress may think the matter deserving of serious action which would have the support of all who have the best interests of our hobby at heart.

We are glad to note that the leading dealers and the philatelic journals are setting their faces firmly against these stamps. We hereby give notice that *we shall not catalogue or deal in them,* and our friends, Messrs. Whitfield King and Co., have made a similar announcement.
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HINGES AGAIN.

By L. H. BRIGHAM.

Being a firm believer in the defence of a principle as long as it has a leg to stand upon, the following is offered in rebuttal to the article by Frank L. Applegate which seems to point out that the matter of hinging is of minor, rather than of major importance and that the writer's method of "mounting 'em", is soon to be placed in the discard, for, says Mr. Applegate in part, "I observe that many, if not indeed a majority of careful collectors, use other methods, etc."

(1) If, as Mr. Applegate claims, the matter of hinging has already been much over-emphasized (which minimizes its importance in comparison with other details relative to the care of our stamps) why so prompt to, "take the stump", in reference to this very subject?

Difference of opinion is a highly desirable trait and much good has resulted in the philatelic world from it, but it certainly seems that inconsistency exists, in giving voice to one's variance when the speaker first claims that the ubject has already been over-emphasized.

(2) Although my worthy opponent claims to be "qualified to observe that a majority of careful collectors, etc.," use a so-called "better method", he has overlooked the very important fact that one of the most reliable guides to "how best to do a thing," is to observe how the majority of the high class dealers hinge their good stamps—unusually valuable pieces and rarities generally aren't and should never be hinged at all—which are submitted to discriminating collectors and to the condition crank.

(3) A little ingenuity and discrimination in the selection of one's philatelic accessories, with but few exceptions eliminates the necessity "of almost always having to remove the stamp entirely free of the page to make a satisfactory study of the watermark or to apply the perforation gauge," as Mr. Applegate claims.

A two-inch square of black japanned tin, slipped beneath a hinged stamp, which has been turned back on its hinge, will show up the average watermark in all its detail to great advantage.

The exceptions are: unusually soft, thick paper varieties; mint copies coated with non-white gums and some colored papers in extremely deep shades.

The use of a transparent celluloid perforation gauge also permits easy and accurate measuring of a hinged stamp, without necessitating its removal from the album page for this purpose.

(4) Mr. Applegate claims that a collector seldom has any further use for a hinge, other than to have it firmly hold a stamp in place, once the stamp has been properly classified and mounted. In other words, he maintains that a collector seldom, if ever, wants or has occasion to reverse a stamp on its hinge, even though it were mounted so as to permit doing this.

In reference to the above statement, it is only using a fairly logical argument when we say that no one carries fire insurance because they *expect* they're going to suffer loss by fire, but they do carry it because such a thing *could* and *might* happen and because they want to be protected in case it does.

It is just the same with the hinging of our stamps. *We don't hinge a stamp a certain way with the express idea of intending to examine it at any definite time or perhaps ever, for that matter; but merely as a safeguard and as a ready means for so doing in case we do care to* at some later date.

It is an exceptional collector, who, when viewing another's collection, does not here and there see a stamp which prompts him to wish to examine it for watermarking, gum or paper; therefore, although *you* may never want to examine any of your stamps after they are once mounted, perhaps some of your friends will. It is a poor collector who can't find errors in mounting in another's collection and it is likewise a mighty good collector who can correctly classify and mount up ten to twenty thousand stamps without misplacing one here and there for his keen-eyed philatelic friends to discover for him.

(5) Our opponent next takes up the matter of damage resulting to stamps which are hinged flush with the perforated edges, and calls attention to perforations which have adhered too closely to the hinge, becoming torn off and otherwise damaged.

It is not necessary to moisten the entire surface of that part of the hinge which faces onto the stamp. *Let the moistening end slightly below the perforations and they cannot then, even lightly, adhere to the hinge.* A little practice soon makes one adept in this respect and it then takes no longer to affix a hinge in this manner than in any other.

We thoroughly agree with Mr. Applegate in his statement, "that the center of a stamp is far better able to stand the strain of removal than the perforated edges," and it *is* the center or near center of the stamp that receives the strain in employing the method of hinging which the writer advocates.

We must all admit that a high percentage of the ordinary wear and tear on stamps, results from removals and handling of any variety. *Why, then, plan to hinge our stamps so that it will be necessary to remove them for the purpose of examination and jeopardize their condition even minutely, when it is so simple a matter to arrange to have them easily turn over on their faces with a light lift of the stamp tongs?*

(6) We next come to the matter of appearance or "sightliness" as our friend expresses it.

Mr. Applegate claims that a page of stamps which allows the hinges to project above the stamps or to show bet the perforations, are far less attra and neat in appearance than a page v hides all evidence of the hinges.

If the projection of the hinges a the stamps is not uniform in height is unquestionably so, but we can natu assume that the collector who take pride at all in the appearance o stamps will see to it that this cond does not exist.

If uniform in height, projecting h or those showing between perfora (but little of the hinge is seen in case) add rather than detract fron appearance of a page in the opinio many. At worst it cannot be j claimed that their appearance in any lends an air of untidiness to a page more than we would attempt to ad the idea that hinges detract from appearance of a door simply because happen to be of a type which s They are, in each instance, a nece which has been arranged and mad attractive as possible in keeping wit service which each class performs respective sphere.

(7) Stamps which have the *full* (not length) of the hinge adheri both stamps and page, *even th hinged free of the perforations,* wil "flap around," as Mr. Applegate presses it, even under unusually s handling.

The "flapping around" of h stamps is caused by the hinge h been moistened only on one side or the center to one side which lea certain amount of freedom and between the hinged stamp and the p if it is this half of the hinge whi at fault—or between the stamp an hinge if it is the upper half of hinge which has not been mois across its entire width.

The size of a hinge should also form to the size of the stamp mounted.

No satisfactory stability could r through attempting to use na slender, tea table legs to support a dining table.

Neither will a hinge suitable fo on a No. 57 Great Britain or a No Victoria serve its purpose if affixe such stamps as Bavaria No. 86 or Ve zuela No. 204, which are stamps n ten times the size of the first mentioned.

It is the neglect to use a large en sized hinge on a great many of stamps which is to blame for "rolling around" and getting out of original perfect alignment, rather the method by which they are mo having anything to do with it. A experimenting in this respect will both of these contentions correct.

(8) In conclusion, the best proc how really an important matter hi is and whether or not it has, *or ever be,* "over-emphasized," is shown b great amount of importance and s which the average careful collector upon this operation and by the eve creasing demand for nothing but best grade of peelable hinges by e serious collector (the matter of the ference in cost being a secondary sideration) the care taken in the m facture of these hinges and the re of some collectors to do business a dealer who sends out selections are not properly hinged with the kind of hinges, regardless of how his selections of stamps may be.

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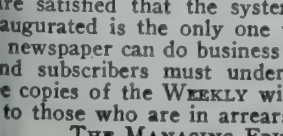

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By LOWELL J. RAGATZ.

Friend Dealer had called me up shortly after my arrival home from a day's work on seventeenth century manuscripts at the library. "Come around to the office after dinner tonight", he had said, "I've got some junk I want to go over and I know that you always like to browse around". Seven-thirty, therefore, found me opening the door between Doctor Payne, the dentist's, and the Zum Zum Hop and Malt Extract Company's offices.

Junk it was. What had been four gunny sacks full of continentals lay in a heap upon the floor. Piles of half-filled penny approvals taken from a crate covered the counter. Friend Dealer was about to begin the emptying of a carelessly crammed trunk labelled "Packet Goods".

"Just got the stuff in", he said. "Remember the old Humbolt Company we used to buy our packets and sets from when we began collecting back in 1906? Well, here's what's left of it. Just out of curiosity I wrote to the old address some weeks ago inquiring if the company was still doing business. A bit later came a reply from one of Humbolt's daughters telling me that her father had been dead for ten years. She said that she well remembered how he used to have them all help him evenings, sorting stamps and making up packets. There were still several bags and a crate and a trunkful of things in the attic, but they probably weren't worth much as the man who had bought her father's stock-books hadn't bothered to take these thrown-ins along. If I was interested, perhaps twenty-five dollars would be a fair price. So, on a chance, I sent my check, and here's what I got."

From the top of the trunk came an armful of circulars. "Reliance Packets", in all their range from 50 to 4,000 variety ones is what they offered. How well I remembered having pored over one of these self-same circulars long years before, wondering how it would feel to be able to sit down and casually order the "Jumbo" 4,000 all different packet, while my spending money could let me hope but for the 500 one at most!

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Filling the bottom half of the trunk was packet stock. There were sheets of Spanish colonials in both king and baby heads, Cuban and Japanese revenues, the Army Franks in three colours (to locate which I had vainly thumbed my first catalogue over from cover to cover!), Seebecks complete, Heligoland reprints, Guatemala parrots, San Marino 903's, Peru llamas, Nyassa giraffes, Mexican numerals, Prussian officials, Switzerland seated Helvetia remainders, Portuguese colonials 2½ reis, Carlos heads, Rapid Telegraph labels, 1c French colonies peace and progress type, divers Columbian issues, Chinese Treaty Ports, and low value Paraguays; there, too, were envelopes of Canadian maps and maple leaves, Brazilian lady heads, Belgian Leopold issues, Austrian Francis Josef numerals, 1892 Argentinas, Serbian 1901 and the like—perhaps 1,500 kinds all told, the typical "basic stamps" of packets of a decade or so ago. The continentals, of course, had been "fillers".

For some two hours we looked over the contents of that trunk, meeting again many of the friends of our early collecting days. Then, too, there were many which we had not had. What we would not have given then to have had some of these in our little albums—and now we called them "junk". At last the bottom was reached, and we arose from between the piles of things which had been formed about us.

"Well," said Friend Dealer in his practical way, "there's twenty-five dollars' worth, sure enough. Nothing much, but then, the continentals run way better than those of today and they'll tickle the pound folks who growl over what's imported these days, and as for this packet stuff—why, I've got it! I'll can the revenues and the like, and the rest of it's going into Reliance Packets and the kids will get things like we used to in the good old days. You don't find stamps like *these* in the packets of 1921; now they're on sheets, and a good lot of them are in stock-books. They're junk, sure, but try to pick up nice lots of them and see how you come out. That's the way it always is; today's packet goods are tomorrow's counter stuff. Say, but won't the kids be tickled over Reliance Packets, and won't they make a raid on them? They're sure filled up on Neurope, cheap though they be, and it will be a genuine treat for them to get some real things for a change. What say?"

I thought so too. And so must the "kids", for Reliance Packets have been slipping over the counter and through the mails at a rate which would make even the champion vendor of snake oil at a county fair gasp for breath. After all, aren't you and I, too, always looking for "some real things for a change"?

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EDITORIAL.

Open—The case Klemann versus Grinnell, set for trial May 31, 1922, in the superior court at Los Angeles, California, was opened on that day when testimony from each of the litigants was taken. It is needless to say that this suit is the one instituted by John A. Klemann of New York against George H. Grinnell of Los Angeles for the recovery of $65,000 paid to Mr. Grinnell for a "find" of Hawaiian missionaries that later were alleged to have been pronounced forgeries by competent judges. The courtroom was thronged on the first day of the trial, we are told, and the evidence was most interesting. Mr. Klemann's contention is that if the Hawaiian stamps are genuine they are worth more than $200,000, but Mr. Grinnell contends that the lot was bought by Mr. Klemann without recourse! Bill Bloss is covering the trial for our readers and we suppose that it will not be long before some decision is made judicially in this case, which has phases so puzzling as to confuse even those who have had many a year of experience in a philatelic way.

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Oil—In this column there have appeared recently several references to candidates for office in the coming election of the American Philatelic Society and if it were not said actually that Mr. W. C. Michaels was the sole candidate for president, the inference was that he was unopposed. From Mr. J. E. Scott, treasurer of the American Philatelic Society, we have received a correction to the effect that Mr. C. F. Heyerman of Detroit, heads the following ticket: President, C. F. Heyerman; Vice-Presidents, J. A. Harris, W. W. MacLaren and Otto F. Moses; Secretary, Dr. H. A. Davis; Treasurer, Howard H. Elliott; International Secretary, Eugene Klein; Directors at Large, H. B. Phillips and Dr. J. Brace Chittenden. We knew that Mr. Heyerman was the first nominee for the presidency but we were given to understand that a change had come about that affected his candidacy. It is only fair that we re-instate Mr. Heyerman as a candidate for the presidency, so far as readers who remember our preceding comments are concerned. We like to see competition for the offices in our big national organization; and the WEEKLY has no preferences politically itself as a usual thing.

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Out—In the *Literary Digest* for May 27, 1922, Mr. Kenneth L. Roberts' book is mentioned favorably and some of the high lights in "Why Europe Leaves Home" are reflected. Counterfeit American ten-dollar consular fee stamps are so numerous on passports in some of the European countries that the consuls there must be counterfeit detectors in reality. It was not until the fore part of 1921 that frauds were suspected, but since that time, large numbers of the forged consular fee stamps have been detected.

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Odd—An old-stager writes to say that he was much interested in the reference recently to the pronunciation of philately and its derivatives and he proffers an account of a resolution that was passed by the St. Louis Philatelic Society over thirty-five years ago. It seems that the National Philatelical Society of New York City preened itself upon the "al" appendage, much to the irritation of the other societies that were just "philatelic" and the St. Louis society condemned by resolution the use of "philatelical". The resolutions are too long for insertion here but we must make room for the sentence: "And that copies of these resolutions be forwarded to the press and all compilers and editors of etymological works on the English language." This was a rather large contract but it must have been carried out to some degree. Several months before this resolution was presented, "the word, philatelic, was chosen in preference to philatelical, by the convention of the American Philatelic Association, held in New York City, Sept. 15, 1886." This was bearding the National Philatelical Society in its den.

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One—From all points of the compass come clippings of Arthur Brisbane's recent comment on stamp collecting. Among the host of Mr. Brisbane's readers in the newspapers receiving his service are many thousands of philatelists and they are at one in saying that Homer has nodded. Here is an instance where the all-seeing eye is the victim of an illusion and Mr. Brisbane's findings are much beside the point. He says that philatelists with the best of intentions are going to try to spread the gospel of stamp collecting among high school children. He says that this is wrong as stamp collecting "calls for money and is largely a matter of money." Mr. Brisbane says fairly that it is not well to interest them "prematurely" in the mere chase of the dollar with the idea of spending the money "for a purpose not actually useful, merely to gratify a fad." Mr. Brisbane concludes his homily with a cock-sure remark that an hour spent in a museum of natural history will do more to educate the budding mind than five years devoted to stamp collecting. We think that stamps leave Mr. Brisbane cold and that he has no interest in them. He has had little or no experience philatelically, we surmise, and evidently, he has not inquired into collecting conditions of today. The old argument that it was advisable to collect stamps because they taught a formidable list of subjects is no longer emphasized as these advantages accrue only incidentally, let us say. The comparison of an hour in a museum and five years of collecting is so extreme that it is not to be taken seriously. All persons will not like stamps and some will even have an antipathy to them and the unsympathetic mind dismisses them without hearing their claims for recognition. As for the money necessity, the collector now, of all times, is in a position to gather together a considerable number of stamps at little cost. The increase in stamp issues has made available a many common stamps that have value but represent a small amoun handling them. A collection of thousand stamps is easily obtained the outlay for a lot of the kind is s indeed. Stamp collecting is on a s too well established to be called a and Mr. Brisbane's curt dismissal as such weakens his argument whic philatelic ears certainly does not true.

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The most expensive stamps can be readily ruined by a lack of care in handling and mounting them, and a small, inexpensive collection looks like a million dollars if time and thought has been spent in its formation.

In purchasing materials and accessories, such as albums, hinges, envelopes, tweezers, etc., always buy the best you can afford, regarding each expenditure as an investment for the protection and the welfare of your stamps, and certainly the result will justify the means.

The less you handle stamps with your hands, the better condition they will be in. A pair of tweezers, made especially for the purpose, is a necessity in handling good stamps, particularly mint specimens. Little smudges of dirt, a tiny finger print, accidental tears in the perforations, all help to reduce the appearance and value of a stamp and consequently detract from the collection. Therefore, always pick them up and examine them with tweezers, and with a little practice it will be found that every operation necessary in handling a stamp can be done with the tongs, thus saving it from any possible injury.

Clean hands are absolutely essential in working with a collection. There is nothing which detracts from the looks of an album so much as smears and smudges on the pages. Even if you do use tweezers you should always wash your hands thoroughly to prevent any soiling of stamps or album.

Never under any circumstance use a bad hinge in your collection. By that I mean a hinge that does not peel, and it is these that should never be allowed in a good collector's equipment. Buy the best hinge on the market, then test it to see if it is quite peelable, or can be removed with ease from either stamp or album without any chance of tearing the paper. This will save torn stamps, torn albums, etc., and in the end will save the collection and repay the investment.

Even if you observe all the foregoing directions you can easily ruin everything by the way you mount your stamps. The hinge should be folded down from the end about a quarter of an inch, the shiny or gum side out. In affixing it to the stamp always let the folded end extend above the stamp, so that in examining the back of the specimen, or reading anything written in the space beneath, it can easily be bent back without getting creased, the folded edge of the sticker acting as the hinge.

The above method has only been derived by much experiment and several years of trial. I used to stick my hinges in the middle of the back of the stamp, then I tried placing the folded part flush with the top, and finally discovered the way I have just described, which has proven itself best.

Of course, you realize that to achieve an artistic and fine looking collection, the stamps must be arranged according to some definite system, which should be clearly followed out by the owner.

In conclusion I would like to say that a well mounted, neatly laid out collection is a thing of beauty, and something any collector can be proud of no matter how little he paid for the stamps themselves. The neatness and care spent on it will never be regretted, and if this is made a habit, the result will be far greater than you could imagine, and the value, financial and otherwise, will be materially enhanced.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited, as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

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—O. S. Cole informs us that Hong Kong now has on sale in the new script watermark the 1, 2, 4, 8, 10, 25 and 30c values.

—Arthur Barger sends us a story from the *Blue Book Magazine* by Charles Phelps Cushing entitled "A Bit of Old Paper". It is highly flavored from the philatelic standpoint and we do not remember having mentioned it in the WEEKLY before.

—We have received from Eugene Klein a publication *Air Mail*. It is dated April, though no mention is made as to whether the publication will appear monthly or quarterly. The price of the initial number is 10c and all our subscribers interested in airmail stamps are urged to send that amount for a specimen copy of No. 1. It consists of sixteen pages.

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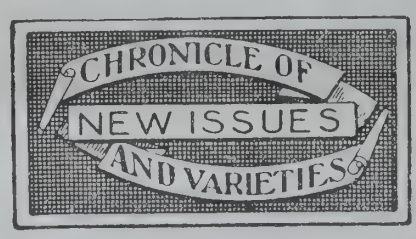

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—The catalogue is out for the next session of the Ferrari sale which will be held in Paris during the middle of June. There is little of interest to the collector of general United States issues other than some mint singles of the 1847 issue as well as some fine 1851. The latter include two beautiful 5c, judging from the illustrations. There are some nice carriers and locals. The main value in United States items are to be found in a further wonderful lot of the Confederate provisional issues many of which are on the entire cover. I will not attempt to describe them in detail at this time as I will review the sale after a priced catalogue is available.

I have recently seen what was supposed to be a cover with the 90c, issue of 1869. Someone with what appeared to be a very fine looking copy of this stamp, a tear in the southeast corner not being noticeable except on close inspection, thought that they could probably cover up the defect and at the same time add to its value by placing it on the cover. The cover in question was a small cover with the imprint across the top in old English letters of the "Consulate General Norddeutschen Bundes" addressed to Cannes, France. In addition there was a red New York Paid cancellation dated "Mar 18" as well as several French postmarks bearing date of 1869. The stamp was cancelled in black and the work was by no means clever for in carrying the cancellation to the cover the forger used a bluish black ink entirely different. In addition he overlooked the fact that on March 18, 1869, the 90c had not as yet been issued.

In my Chronicle of last week I listed among the plate numbers a lone plate of the 3c surface print No. 13688. In speaking of this plate Mr. A. E. Owens writes, "You may recall that there was some talk a few months back of increasing the 1 oz. rate to 3c in order to receive more revenue and the Bureau in order to meet the possibility of this change started to get ready with the 3c plates. Only one plate was made, however, and they advised me that it was never used."

I have just located a new variety of the 2c on 3c provisional envelope not seen heretofore. New varieties are coming in slowly here of late and I imagine by the time we are through only a few more will be added to the list as today known.

1920-21, 2c on 3c Provisional Envelope.
San Antonio Overprint.
Die A on white, Size 5, Wmk. 19, H. B.

The new Gibbons' catalogue listing United States issues has just reached this country and the publishers are certainly to be congratulated on the forward step that they have taken. As they tell us in the preface "For the past few years we have been hoping to receive a lead from the American catalogue, but the same old list appears year by year with none of the interesting modern details worked out." It is to be regretted that this is the case but it is well that this additional information is available under one cover, even if we must turn to a foreign catalogue for it.

The publishers invite suggestions as well as criticisms and remembering that it is easy to find fault with the other man's work I am sure that Mr. Phillips will understand that the remarks are made in a friendly spirit and as constructive criticism.

In the early issues we find listed and priced for the first time, most of the minor varieties such as shifts, recuts, stitch watermarks and the like. These are rightly listed in small type as secondary to the main varieties and it is to be regretted that they do not list shades in the same way. As usual they price all of the Postmaster Provisionals and the low prices brought by the Saint Louis bears in the Ferrari sale are reflected in the lowering of the prices on several varieties of this issue. The catalogue, however, does not reflect the increased price on the Boscawen and Lockport. In the 1847 issue we find the shades listed by years in accordance with Dr. Chase's list. We might mention here that all of the information relating to our older issues has evidently been gleaned from articles from the pens of students on this side of the water as we have looked in vain for a single piece of information relating to our issues that is new. In the 1851 series all of the types of the 1c are listed and our attention is called to the two types of the 3c. We find the several types of the 10c which are just as important as the types of the 1c and should have been listed by Scott long ago. They list as type I the variety with full shells at the bottom, which are only found in the bottom row of the sheet. Type II is the normal variety with two sub-varieties, line complete at top and line broken. Personally I think these should both be listed as main varieties the same as in the case of the 1c. The third type is the recut type and there is a sub-type for each of the four recut varieties.

In the 1857 issue they class these recuts as additional varieties of type II. Why this inconsistency I cannot say for they are all from the same plate and if the variety is worthy of a type designation in the imperforate issue, it certainly is worthy of the same consideration when perforated. The 3c is listed in three types. We are glad to find that they mention that the 24c red lilac as well as the 24c, 30c and 90c imperforate were not regularly issued but are sorry they make no mention of the 30c black which has just as good a standing.

We take exception to their re[mark] that the 1867 1c grilled all over i[s] gus. The worst that can be said i[s] it is an essay and some in this co[un] will contest even this assertion. [We] are especially to be commended fo[r] 1869 note where they state that [the] 'no grill' varieties should only b[e] cepted with full gum." They te[ll] that the re-issues from 1869 on [were] available for postage. True, bu[t] 1861 re-issues were also available.

The early issues have all taken [a] stantial advances and more or les[s] flect the upward tendency althou[gh] can be seen that in many cases they [do] ply reflect Scott's quotations.

They list all of the re-issues as su[b] rieties in small lettering following [the] stamp itself. This does not seem t[o] as desirable as listing them togeth[er] does Scott. From 1890 on the [cata]logue is of little value to the speci[al]ist for it is nothing more than a list o[f] main varieties. Students of our [early] issues are few and far between a[nd] is possible that having no authori[ty] article to refer to they have simply [left] them alone. It is certainly to b[e] gretted that they did not take the tr[ouble] to even list some of the well know[n] rieties. For instance they omit th[e] Omaha part-perforated as well a[s] part-perforated 2c St. Louis. The [same] remarks apply to similar varieti[es] the later issues. In listing coil st[amps] they have included all of the sid[e] varieties but have omitted all o[f] endwise stamps as well as all of the [issues] of the 1902-'03 design. They te[ll] these are "for use in Government [offices]. We do not know what this mean[s] less they refer to them being [used] coils. They have followed Scot[t] omitting the price of the current 4[c] 5c rotary coil giving the impressio[n] it is rare when, as a matter of fa[ct] is current. They price the 1901 i[ssue] at Scott's prices and put the 5c [unused] imperforated in at £120. If you [have] any on your side of the water at [that] price I would like to buy a few.

They list the 1c rotary perfo[rated] 10x11 as a minor variety whereas [it] a very distinct issue. They omit [the] rotary 1c perforated 10 as well a[s] 1c and 2c perforated 11. In the su[r]prints they list the types of the 3[c] ignore the types of the 2c which [are] just as important. They also list t[he] surface print, type I (Scott's type [I] as imperforated whereas this varie[ty] not known to exist. Later on [in] Phillips, you list the 10c Special [De]livery, green, as on toned paper. P[lease] omit this the next time for it is n[ot] We find a very large list of de[part]ment shades for the first time and [many] of them are priced quite high. A[ll] the "specimen" varieties of the de[part]ments are priced separately for [the] first time which is a good thing. A[lso] in all the publication is to be str[ongly] recommended and a copy should [be] the hands of students of the issu[es] the United States.

We wish to thank Messrs. C. J. [Phillips] and Charles A. Nast for notes o[f in]terest.

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TRALIA.—Mr. R. Roberts in- us of the appearance of a 4d George stamp in pale blue shade. are in sheets of 120 with thick al line around the sheets and two roken lines between the two panes.

TRIA.—The Economist Stamp Co. to us the following values in the ype stamp: ½kr bistre, 15kr blue 20kr blue, 25kr dark red, 30kr 5kr orange and 75kr ultramarine.

IUM.—Mr. R. Roberts and the nist Stamp Co. send us copies of v stamp just issued in a new de- The color is a soft brown and is lue with a "oc" additional added wounded soldiers. In the upper ner is a profile view of King Al- d on the right side is a wounded kneeling. At the top is "Bel- and in the lower left the figures C." in the opposite corner. Be- are the words "Pour les invalides r de invalieden". Just above the is "Belgie". The stamp bears the of the American Bank Note Co. enry Hooreman informs us that re 7 million of them and can be letters until Jan. 15, 1923.

AN ISLANDS.—Mr. J. A. Galbraith own us the following values in 21 issue on script watermarked ¼d bistre brown, ½d green, 1d grey, 2½d bright blue, 4d red low, 6d lilac red, 2sh violet on d 3sh dull violet.

CAO.—The Economist Stamp Co. of the following new issues: 5c nd 10c violet in the type of A12, red; 20c blue and 35c grey and type A13.

IG.—The Economist Stamp Co. that the 4m blue of the 1921 issue n overprinted "8" in the centre of np in red. Three horizontal lines te the former figures of value. ame correspondent also submit a mp for air mail use. The stamp lg and is 10m in value. It is of ne design as 5m stamp of 1921 ost stamp.

E.—We are informed by P. J. that the 25dr blue, type 1911, peared lithographed. The 10dr ted shortly.

ND.—The Economist Stamp Co. he 40a stamp of the 1907-08 is- charged "20 aur" in two lines in

FREE STATE.—As mentioned by cial Correspondent in his "Irish published elsewhere in this issue, lve competitive designs for the e postage stamps of South Ire-

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land have now been selected and the stamps are expected to be ready for sale in about two months' time.—*Stamp Collecting.*

IRAQ.—Mr. C. Woods, of Portsmouth, writes that he has in his possession a copy of the 2 rupees "On State Service" without cross-bar to the "A" in "IRAQ"; it appears like an inverted "V" and is on unwatermarked paper.—*Stamp Collecting.*

ITALIAN COLONIES.—*Il Corriere Filatelico* reports that the enormous quantity of eight million stamps of the general issue for Italy (value or values not stated) have been erroneously overprinted "SOMALIA". They are not required there and, to obviate waste, are to be *additionally* overprinted for Eritrea.—*Stamp Collecting.*

MEXICO.—The Economist Stamp Co. submit for chronicle the 4c of the 1916-17 issue surcharged "Oficial" from top to bottom on the right side of the stamp in blue.

NEW ZEALAND.—Mr. R. Roberts reports the 8d King George type stamp in brown color. It is perforated 14x13½ and printed in sheets of 120.

NORTH WEST PACIFIC ISLANDS.—Mr. R. Roberts advises of the 4d violet stamp of Australia overprinted "N.W. Pacific Islands." in three lines in black The stamps are in sheets of 30 subjects of the fifth setting all of the same type watermark as before.

RUSSIA.—Mr. Hyman Guth submits for chronicle a copy of the new 7500r stamp in imperforate condition printed in blue on buff paper. The stamp is oblong in shape and has the figures of value in the lower corners with the Russian letters for currency between.

SURINAM.—The Economist Stamp Co. have sent us the following new colors in the stamps of this colony: 5c green, 10c violet, both in the type of A14; 12½c red, 20c blue and 32½c violet with the figure of value in orange in type A15. Also a new value in the postage due stamps: 12½c violet.

URUGUAY.—The *Philatelic Magazine* reports two new air-post stamps, viz.:—*Overprinted "CORREO AEREO" and aeroplane in red:* 5 centesimos grey and 25 centesimos dark brown.—*Stamp Collecting.*

STAMPS OF THE NEW RUSSIA.

By DOUGLAS B. ARMSTRONG.

In practice the "boom" of free postage, as adopted by the Soviet Government early in 1919, proved to be a not unmixed blessing. It applied, of course, only to unregistered inland correspondence up to 15 grammes weight, with the inevitable result that the postal employees paid scant regard to the letters and a considerable proportion failed to reach their destination at all. Only by registering a letter was it possible to ensure its transmission, and for this purpose high value stamps were required in consequence of enormous increases in the rate of postage, brought about by the rapidly dwindling value of the rouble. The charges for registered correspondence had to be raised every few months. In August, 1920, the combined fee for postage and registration was 10 roubles. Such foreign letters as were accepted by the Russian Post Office were subject to equally high charges.

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Under those conditions postage stamps of a lower denomination than the 1 rouble were no longer required. Early in 1921, therefore, a decree was enacted authorising the raising of the face values of all Russian postage stamps then current by 100 per cent. The interpolation of this regulation appears to have been left entirely to the discretion of individual postal officials, some of whom deemed it expedient to add the Russian characters "Pyb", signifying "roubles", by means of handstamps, whilst others merely sold their stamps at the higher rate without any outward and visible indication of their transformation.

These value overprints exist in great variety in view of the fact that each post office had its own type of handstamp. For the most part the surcharge took the form of the abbreviation "Pyb" only, but in certain instances figures of value were added, notably at Kosmodamjansk (Tartar Republic) and Rogetschow (Homel). In the Government of Tuba a black cross was impressed over the Russian Eagle.

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60f, No. 97 ..... .20
60f, No. 98 ..... .03
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5k, No. 101 ..... .25
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*10f, No. 104 .... .04
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75f, No. 120 ..... *.03
80f, No. 121 ..... *.03
1k, No. 122 ..... *.03
2k, No. 123 ..... .03
*2k, No. 123 ..... .05
3k No. 124 ..... .03
*3k, No. 124 ..... .06
*5k, No. 125 ..... .10
*10k, No. 126 .... .20
*15f, No. 128 .... .03
*40f, No. 131 .... .02
*50f, No. 132 .... .03

1919 Republic.

*2f-40f, Nos. 153 to 162, each.... .01
*10f-50f, Nos. 171 to 176, each.... .01
*2f-15f, Nos. 178 to 184, each.... .01
*20f-95f, Nos. 185 to 190, each.... .02
1k, No. 191 ..... *.03
*1.20k, No. 192 .03
1.40k, No. 193... *.03
2k, No. 194 ..... *.05
3k, No. 195 ..... *.05
5k, No. 196 ..... *.08
10k, No. 197 .... *.15

1919 Magyar Tanacs.

*2f-45f, Nos. 203 to 213, each.... .01
*50f-1.40k, Nos. 214-218, each .02
*2k, No. 219 .... .03
*3k, No. 220 .... .04
*5k, No. 221 .... .06
*10k, No. 222 ... .10

1919 Szegedin.

*2f, No. 225 ..... .15
*3f, No. 226 ..... .06
*25f, No. 231 .... .10
*1k, No. 235 ..... .30
*45f on 3f, No.240 .06
*20f, No. 243 .... .25
*40f, No. 256 .... .15
*50f, No. 257 .... .10
*20f on 2f, No.259 .05
*10f+2f, No. 554 .05
*(2f), No. 711 .... .05

1920

20f-1k, Nos. 331 to 334, each.... *.02

1913 Charity.

1f-12f, Nos. 451 to 457, each.... *.02
16f, No. 458 ..... *.03
20f, No. 459 ..... *.03
25f, No. 460 ..... *.03
30f, No. 461 ..... *.05
35f, No. 462 ..... *.05
50f, No. 463 ..... *.05

HUNGARY—Continued

60f, No. 464 ..... *.09
1k, No. 465 ..... *.10
*2k, No. 466 .... .20
*5k, No. 467 .... .35

1914-18 Charity.

1f-5f, Nos. 468 to 471, each.... *.01
*6f-16f, Nos. 472 to 475, each.... .02
*20f, No. 476 .... .03
*25f, No. 477 .... .03
*30f, No. 478 .... .03
*35f, No. 479 .... .03
*50f, No. 480 .... .04
*60f, No. 481 .... .04
*1k, No. 482 ..... .50
*2k, No. 483 ..... .40
*5k, No. 484 ..... .40
*1f-6f, Nos. 485 to 489, each.... .01
*10f, No. 490 .... .02
*12f, No. 491 .... .02
*16f, No. 492 .... .04
*20f, No. 493 .... .02
*25f, No. 494 .... .02
*30f, No. 495 .... .02
*35f, No. 496 .... .03
*50f, No. 497 .... .03
*60f, No. 498 .... .04
*1k, No. 499 ..... .05
*2k, No. 500 ..... .15
*5k, No. 501 ..... .40
*10f+2f, No. 503 .02
*15f+2f, No. 504 .02
*40f+2f, No. 505 .03
10f+1k, No. 506 .04
15f+1k, No. 507 .04
*10f+2f, No. 551 .02
*15f+2f, No. 552 .02
*40f+2f, No. 553 .03

1920 Aerial Post.

*3k on 10k (653) .03
*8k on 10k (654) .08
*12k on 10k (655) .10

1915-20 Postage Due.

*20f on 100f (777) .05
*6f-20f, Nos.781 to 786, each.... .02
2f-50f, Nos. 802 to 812, each.... *.01

1919 French Occ.

*2f, No. 901 ..... .20
*3f, No. 902 ..... .13
*6f, No. 904 ..... .30
*15f, No. 906 .... .30
*75f, No. 911 .... .25
*80f, No. 912 .... .30
*20f, No. 922 .... .10
*2f, No. 925 ..... .20
*4f, No. 926 ..... .20
*5f, No. 927 ..... .08
*25f, No. 931 .... .20
*40f, No. 932 .... .30
*1k, No. 935 .... .40
*2f, No. 961 ..... .10
*(2f), No. 965.... .18

1919 Serbian Occ.

*50f, No. 1502.... .04
*70f, No. 1505.... .08
*2f, No. 1508 .... .04
*3f, No. 1509 .... .04
*5f, No. 1512 .... .03
*15f, No. 1515.... .05
*75f, No. 1521.... .10
*80f, No. 1522.... .13
*1k, No. 1523.... .13
*2k, No. 1524.... .20
*3k, No. 1525.... .25
*45f on 2f (1528) .05
*45f on 5f (1529) .03
*45f on 15f (1530) .05
*10f, No. 1531.... .03
*20f, No. 1532.... .04
*25f, No. 1534.... .13
*25f, No. 1535.... .60
*20f on 2f (1581) .50
*50f on 5f (1582) .35
*200f/75f (1584) .20
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*20f on 2f (1586) .08
*50f on 5f (1588) .05
*100f/25f (1589) .06
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1910

*3fr, No. 52 ..... 1.00
*5fr, No. 53 ..... 1.25
*10fr, No. 54 .... 2.25

JUGO-SLAVIA.

1918-19

*3h on 2h, No. 21 .03
*5h on 6h, No. 22 .03
*3h, No. 25 ..... .04
*5h, No. 26 ..... .02
*10h/6h, No. 27 .02
*25h, No. 29 .... .02
*45h/80h, No. 32 .03
*50h/72h, No. 34 .05
*60h, No. 35 .... .05
*80h, No. 36 .... .08
*90h, No. 37 .... .08
2k, No. 38 ..... *.15
*3k, No. 39 ..... .25

Special Delivery.

*2h, No. 101 .... .40
*5h, No. 102 .... .15

Charity.

*10h, No. 121 .... .25
*15h, No. 122 .... .30
*20h+10h,No.124 .13

1918 Croatia.

*50f, No. 217 .... .03
*75f, No. 218 .... .05
*80f, No. 219 .... .06
*1k, No. 220 .... .06
*2k, No. 221 .... .10
*10k, No. 224 .... 1.50

1919-20

*2f-25f, Nos. 233 to 238, each.... .01
*45f, No. 239 .... .02
*1k, No. 240 ..... .04
3k, No. 241 ..... *.08
5k. No. 242 ..... *.10

3f-25f, Nos. 401 to 407, each.... *.01
50f, No. 411 ..... *.02
1k, No. 413 ..... *.03
2k, No. 414 ..... *.05
*5k, No. 415 .... .10
60f, No. 427a .... *.03

MONTENEGRO.

1874-93

*2n, No. 1 ..... .10
*3n, No. 2 ..... .03
*7n, No. 4 ..... .03
*10n, No. 5 ..... .03
*15n, No. 6 ..... .03
*25n, No. 7 ..... .03

1894

1n, No. 18 ..... *.02
20n, No. 20 ..... *.02
30n, No. 21 ..... *.02
50n, No. 22 ..... *.03
1fl, No. 23 ..... *.06
2fl, No. 24 ..... *.10

1896

*1n-5n, Nos. 25 to 28, each .... .03
*10n, No. 29 .... .04
*15n-50n, Nos.30 to 34, each .... .05
*1fl, No. 35 ..... .07
*2fl, No. 36 ..... .10

1898

2n, No. 37 ..... *.02
3n, No. 38 ..... *.02
5n, No. 39 ..... *.03
7n, No. 40 ..... .03
10n, No. 41 ..... *.02
15n, No. 42 ..... .03
25n, No. 43 ..... .03

1907

1pa-25pa, Nos. 62 to 68, each .... *.01
35pa, No. 69 ..... *.03
50pa, No. 70 ..... *.03
1kr, No. 71 ..... *.03
2kr, No. 72 ..... *.05
5kr, No. 73 ..... *.05

1910

1pa-25pa, Nos. 74 to 80, each .... *.02
35pa, No. 81 ..... *.03
50pa, No. 82 ..... .03
*50pa, No. 82 .... .05
1per, No. 83 ..... .03
*1per, No. 83 .... .06
2per, No. 84 ..... .04
*2per, No. 84 .... .08
5per, No. 85 ..... .05
*5per, No. 85 .... .10

1894 Postage Due.

2n, No. 77 ..... *.03
3n to 50n, Nos. 178-183, ea. .... *.01

1902 Postage Due.

*5h, No. 184 ..... .03
*10h, No. 185 .... .05
*25h, No. 186 .... .05
*50h, No. 187 .... .05
*1k, No. 188 ..... .08

1907 Postage Due.

5pa to 50pa, Nos. 194-197, each *.02

Receipt.

*10n, No. 251 .... .02
25pa, No. 254 .... *.02
25pa, No. 255 .... .20

Occupation.

*10h, No. 301 .... .40
*15h, No. 302 .... .40

URUGUAY.

1877-99

5c, No. 40 ..... .07
*1c, No. 46 ..... .15
*2c, No. 47 ..... .20
1c on 10c, No. 53 *.06
5c, No. 56 ..... .25
1c, No. 58 ..... .04
2c, No. 59 ..... .12
5c, No. 61 ..... .03
1c, No. 67 ..... .03
2c, No. 67a ..... .07
5c, No. 84 ..... .06
7c, No. 105 ..... .75
1c, No. 116 ..... .04
5c, No. 117 ..... .06
2c, No. 120 ..... .04
*½c on 1c, No. 135 .03
*½c on 1c, No. 136 .04
*½c on 2c, No. 137 .10
5m, No. 140 ..... *.03
5m, No. 142 ..... *.02

1900-15

10c, No. 153 ...
2c, No. 154 ....
*7c, No. 155 ...
10c, No. 164 ...
20c, No. 165 ...
25c, No. 166 ...
7c, No. 172 ...
50c, No. 173 ...
8c on 10c, No. 1
*2c, No. 182 ...
*5c, No. 183 ...
5c on 50c, No. 1
8c, No. 191 ....
23c, No. 193 ...
50c, No. 194 ...
1p, No. 195 ....

1902 Postage D

1c, No. 281 ....
2c, No. 282 ....
4c, No. 283 ....

VENEZUELA.

1882-99

*5c-50c, Nos. 54 to 57, each .... .02
*5c-3b, Nos. 59 to 67, each .... .02
*25c on 10c,No.83 .40
*1b on 25c, No. 84 .60
1b, No. 93 ..... .15
25c, No. 118 .... .03
*5c-1b, Nos. 119 to 123, each.... .02
50c, No. 127 ..... .05
1b, No. 128 ..... .12

1900-10

*5c-3b, Nos. 136 to 141, each.... .02
*10b, No. 142.... .03
*20b, No. 143 .... .05
*1b, No. 162 ..... .15
*5c, No. 167 ..... .75
*10c, No. 168 .... 1.50
*25c, No. 169 .... 1.25
*50c, No. 170 .... 1.00
*100c, No. 171 .. 1.25
5c, No. 173 ..... 1.00
*25c, No. 175.... 1.00
*1b, No. 208 ..... .06
5c, No. 209 ..... .15
10c, No. 210 ..... .15
25c, No. 211 ..... .15
50c, No. 212 ..... .15
1b, No. 213 ..... .15
*15c, No. 233 .... .02
*1b, No. 236 ..... .04

1900-15

*10c, No. 238 ...
*25c, No. 239 ...
*50c, No. 240 ...
*1b, No. 241 ...
*3b, No. 242 ...
*10b, No. 243 ...
*20b, No. 244 ...
*5c, No. 245 ...
*10c, No. 246 ...
*25c, No. 247 ...
*25c, No. 249 ...

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5c, No. 300 ....
10c, No. 301 ...
25c, No. 302 ...
50c, No. 303 ...
*1b, No. 304 ...
*25c on 1b,No.3
5c on 50c,No.30
*5c, No. 313 ...
*10c, No. 314 ...
*25c, No. 315 ...
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1b, No. 317 ...
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SOVIET STAMPS.

Meanwhile, the resumption of international relations by the Soviet Government in the summer of 1921, caused an urgent demand for postage stamps in denominations which corresponded to the postal rates actually in force. Accordingly a set of designs representative of Industry in its various phases were prepared by native artists and reproduced in the form of adhesive postage stamps in the Soviet Press at Moscow. With the exception of the 40 roubles value, which was recess-printed on watermarked paper, these stamps appear to have been lithographed, and were issued imperforate.

Incorporated in the designs are, in addition to the Russian word "POCHTA" (Post) and value in roubles, the Russian letters R.S.F.S.R. denoting "Russian Socialist Federal Soviet Republic." The first five values made their debut in August, 1921, viz., 1, 2, 5, 20, and 40 roubles. No sooner had they been issued, however, than a further increase in postal charges raised the tariff for ordinary letters to 250 roubles, and the fee to 2,000 roubles. In consequence, no further printings of these values were made, but early in October they were superseded by stamps of the face values, 200, 250, and 1,000 roubles in the same types, followed in November by others of 200, 300, and 500 roubles.

SUMMARY.

1921. *August-November. Emblematic designs. Lithographed at Moscow (except 40 Roubles which is line-engraved). Imperf.*
1 Rouble, orange.
2 Roubles, brown (Agricultural implements).
5 Roubles, blue (Rake & hoe).
20 Roubles, blue (Hammer & Sickle).
40 Roubles, Slate (Labour overthrowing Capital).
100 Roubles, orange (Agricultural implements).
200 Roubles, brown (Scythe).
250 Roubles, purple (Art & Science).
300 Roubles, green (Sheaves of corn).
500 Roubles, blue (Hammer and Anvil).
1,000 Roubles, rose (Rake & hoe).

COMMEMORATIVE SERIES, 1921.

On the occasion of the fourth anniversary of the establishment of the Soviet regime, in November, 1921, three stamps of special design were issued, presenting within an oval frame the significant initials of the Soviet Republic, illuminated by a single star and bearing the dates "1917-1921."

SUMMARY.

1921. *November. Commemorative of Fourth Anniversary of Soviets. Dated 1917-1921. Lithographed. Imperf.*
100 Roubles, orange.
250 Roubles, violet.
1,000 Roubles, carmine.

FAMINE RELIEF STAMPS.

The Moscow journal *Prawda* for September 30th, 1921, contained an announcement by the Commission of Posts and Telegraphs inviting the submission by artists of designs appropriate to a series of charity postage stamps to be issued on behalf of the victim of the disastrous famine in the Volga provinces. A first prize of 200,000 roubles was offered for each accepted design, the competition closing on November 1st.

Famine Relief stamps in two poorly executed designs duly materialised in January, 1922, but owing to their inconvenient size and mediocre appearance were not brought into general use as was originally intended. The one design, lithographed, depicts a crowd of refugees from the famine area assembled on the bank of a river, whilst the other represents a Red Cross worker succoring a famine victim. The former type is lithographed and the latter recess-printed; each case the face value is 2,250 ro but the stamp of the first type is in three different colours.

In addition to these stamps of s design the two stamps in the Swor Chain type of 1918, have been formed into relief stamps by mea an overprint in three lines of R characters, consisting of the i "R.S.F.S.R.", a Russian inscription ing "For the Starving", and an enh value. The overprint was appli blue, black, and red upon the 70 k and in black, red, and orange upo 35 kop.

SUMMARY.

1922. *January. Charity postage s in aid of Famine Relief Fund.*
(a) Pictorial types. Imperforat
2250 Roubles, carmine.
2250 Roubles, brown.
2250 Roubles, green.
2250 Roubles, blue.
(b) Russian overprint on stamps of
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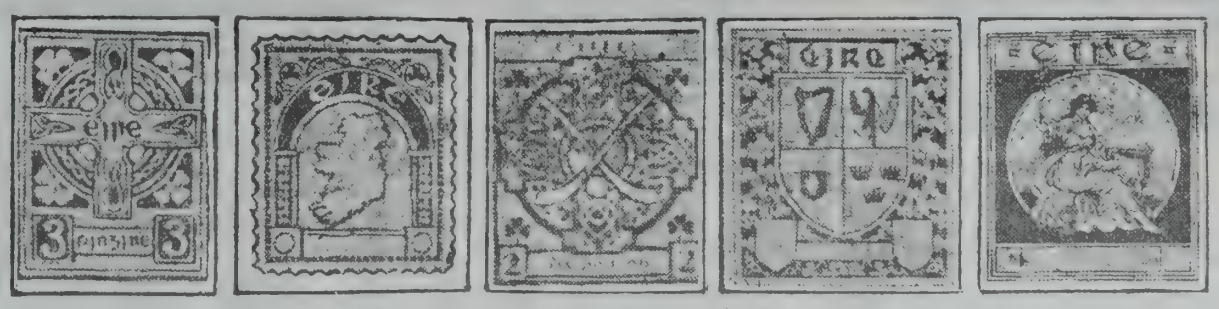

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By A. KOECHLIN.

The Munich exhibition set as well as the Austria Charity set have made their appearence. The first one contains 6 values, all of the same design. The Arms of Munich (the müncher Kindl) in the center. The values are 1¼ lilac red, 2Mk violet, 3Mk red, 4Mk ultramarine (All four on white paper) 10Mk sepia on brownish and 20Mk dark carmine on rose.

The Austrian set fortunately is a perfect return to the old school. It contains seven little masterpieces of engraving and likeness of the Austrian composers of music, Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven, Schubert, Bruckner, Joh. Strauss and Wolf.

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The Newspaper stamps of the 1922 Austrian set had hardly made their appearance when they were declared out of use. Since March the 1st, they cannot be gotten any more at the post office window; dealers ask now 5 times the face value. I am not sure at all whether we shall not witness a resurrection of these stamps in the next set Austria will donate us. There is certainly no good reason for dropping forever a source of income that has worked so well for years.

STAMP FANS TO CONVERT CHILDREN.

A movement to make stamp fans of the school children of this city will be started immediately, John L. Stroub, President of the New York Philatelic Society, told seventy-five delegates at the annual convention of the United Stamp Societies in the home of the New York Society, No. 20 East 125th Street.

President Stroub urged further that the delegates create new interest among the school children in their home cities. He believes if this is done stamp collecting will become a popular pastime and tend to interest the children in a hobby that is "educational, historical, and of geographical importance, besides an investment."

"The objects of our society shall be to further the interests of stamp collecting and study of postage and revenue stamps among all school children in New York City", President Stroub said. "We will afford school children an opportunity to exchange, buy or sell stamps, and to encourage fraternal feeling among their members. Already we have organized a junior society, and shall have a special students' night on Saturdays."

Newly elected officers of the United Stamp societies are R. N. Osbourne, Brooklyn, President; E. L. Clark, Lynn, Mass., Secretary; L. G. Bixby, Boston, Treasurer, and M. D. Olmstead, Concord, N. H., Sales Manager.

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INAUGURAL BANQUET.

(The following story of the inaugural banquet for the London International Stamp Exhibition is taken from the "Philatelic Magazine". We have received from Fred J. Melville, chairman and toastmaster of the evening, the menu card of this most successful event. A representation of the penny black is shown upon the cover, while the list of invited guests and philatelists indicates a notable occasion.—W. O. W.)

London philatelists and a number of their country cousins experienced a field day on Saturday, May 6th, an auspicious date which also marked the 82nd anniversary of the birth of the postage stamp. The complete success that attended both the Jubilee Stamp Auction in the afternoon and the Inaugural Exhibition Banquet in the evening, provided a happy augury for the great event of 1923.

The Jubilee Stamp Sale.

Before the advertised time of the sale the Renaissance Room at the Café Monico was thronged with eager buyers, so that there was soon not a seat to be had. Philatelic history repeated itself on this occasion, for in the words used by the late E. L. Pemberton to describe the first London stamp sale, held fifty years ago, the Jubilee Auction "was attended by all the leading London amateurs and many country ones." Bidding was brisk from the start, and a number of the more desirable lots fetched really "fancy prices". The *piéce de resistance* of the sale was, of course, the magnificent pair of the New York Postmaster's stamp upon original cover, donated to the Exhibition Fund by the late Major E. B. Evans shortly before his death. This was Lot 197, and it provoked a spirited duel between some well-known British philatelists and an American "unknown", who became the runner-up. It was finally knocked down to Mr. Frank Godden for the very handsome sum of £225. The next lot, a mint block of the 3 cents "Première Gravure", realised £24. The 2d Irish Provisional Government with inverted overprint, mint, sold for £8 10/-. A pair of ½d Jamaica War stamps with inverted overprint realised £6, and good prices were paid for a number of other War stamp errors and varieties, including Bahamas 1d War Tax, double overprint, one inverted (£6 15/-). The total amount added to the Exhibition Funds as a result of the Jubilee Stamp Auction was just on £745.

Exhibition Inaugural Banquet.

Upwards of 200 philatelists and guests sat down to the Inaugural Banquet for the London International Stamp Exhibition of 1923, which took place on the evening of the same day, in the International Hall of the Café Monico.

After the usual loyal toasts, the President (Mr. Fred J. Melville) referred to the auspicious occasion and to the magic influence of the Penny Black, whose birthday it was. Every man, he said, ought to have a hobby, and we philatelists believed that our own was not the least attractive of those available to the ordinary mortal. He regretted that the Postmaster-General was unable to be present, as he should have liked to have told him how little philatelists in general approved of his scheme for printing advertisements on the backs of stamps. They did most fully appreciate, however, the return of the 1½d stamp, and hoped that this partial concession might mean that before long the 1d postage stamp would be completely resurrected.

Sir Wm. Berry, replying on behalf of the visitors, said that he too deplored the absence of the P. M. G., for whom he was unwillingly deputizing, as he wished to tell him that he considered the Kellaway 2d stamp to be a delusion and a snare. Personally, he believed that Mr. Kellaway had been afraid to face the ordeal. Stamp collecting, he thought, was in for a good time. Every stamp collector ought to support Mr. Lloyd George because the creation of new boundaries by the Genoa Conference must inevitably lead to the issue of new stamps. Stamp collecting was a useful and instructive hobby and might also be made to prove a source of revenue.

Proposing the toast of the Junior Philatelic Society and success to the Exhibition, Sir Anthony Hope Hawkins said that the postage stamp embodied romance, art and even money, but of the latter the true philatelist scorned to take advantage. Youth was the essence of Philately and the founding of the J.P.S. a stroke of genius. Philately, he had discovered, meant "exemption from tax," but the Postmaster-General had entirely reversed this ancient meaning, and he called upon him to restore it without delay. Philatelists became historians and artists despite themselves, since the postage stamp was a recorder of human activities. He wished every success to the forthcoming Exhibition which would be a power for good in bringing together the representatives of many nations by virtue of a common interest.

Mrs. H. P. Terry (Hon. Secretary), in the course of a brief reply, declared that the Society was "Junior" in name only, and that they had members as old as 74. Most of the leading experts were members and retained their interest in the work of the Society.

The health of the President was proposed by Mr. Percy Ashley, C.B., who pictured the J.P.S. as a league of perpetual youth that had contributed to the rejuvenation of the world. As regards the position of Philately, he held with Prof. Coué that every day and in every way it grew better and better.

During the evening a telegram was received from H.M. the King expressing His Majesty's great pleasure at the receipt of the loyal greetings of the assembly and assuring them of his unabated interest in all matters relating to philately.

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By O. F. Sutphin.

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(We have known Geo. W. Sulman for many years, but not until recently were we aware of the fact that he has travelled much and added largely to his philatelic possessions through personal contact with the sources of supply. He resides at Chatham, Ont., and the local paper recently gave him an interesting write-up, from which we extract a portion for the edification of our readers. His wide acquaintance with dealers and collectors will make this story all the more appreciated.—W. O. W.)

Mr. Sulman enjoys the distinction of being one of the few men in Canada, or probably in any other country, who has taken a foreign trip covering 80,000 miles. For a year and a half he was away from his native city, and during that time he and Mrs. Sulman visited 47 different countries, establishing a record for a trip around the world, which has very seldom if at any time been equalled by any other globe trotter. He has during his life time visited every country on the face of the globe, with the exception of Norway and Sweden, and even he himself is unable to say how he happened to overlook these two countries. During his last trip, from which he has only recently returned, and which was the longest he has ever taken, it is interesting to note that he added no less than 15,000 different varieties of stamps, which, by the way, are among the most valuable he now possesses, so that while his trips were taken chiefly for health, and through a life-longing to extend his knowledge of places and people, he has through his hobby been able to make it profitable in a monetary way as well.

Mr. Sulman's favorite stamp countries are Canada and Newfoundland, and he has in his possession all of the stamps issued in these countries since 1870, in unused blocks, usually four of a kind. If the favorite national indoor game was played with stamps, Mr. Sulman would still find his stamp collection a real winner.

At Honduras in Central America a very amusing incident occurred. Mr. Sulman interviewed the postal authorities with a request for stamps, but was informed that the postal officials didn't sell stamps. He was referred to the dealer who had that particular concession from the government, the object evidently being to make the government offices go around as far as possible. He finally landed in a little ill-kept store which was the most unlikely place to look for stamps, and the proprietor learning of his mission produced a number of discarded tomato cans in which he kept the prize possessions. The cans were put in front of the distinguished Chathamite and he was told to "go ahead and help himself." Mr. Sulman has a keen appetite for tomatoes, but he states that he never in his life before had such

a delectable feast served from a tomato can. When he got through with those cans, the dealer might just as well have filled them up again with tomatoes, for there were no stamps left worth saving.

At Mozambique, Africa, however, things were not so easy. It was shortly after the war when Mr. and Mrs. Sulman were on their last trip. Mr. Sulman, as usual, presented himself at the

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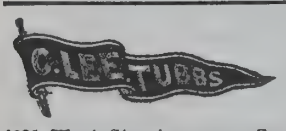

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In Colombia, South America, at every post office he found a different issue, and while he bought religiously at each of the stamp selling stations, he unfortunately was not able to visit every state.

In Samoa, Mr. Sulman was particularly anxious to secure a special issue of stamps of that country, but when he presented himself to the postmaster, he was told that the issue had been sold out. Evidently the postal authorities were "wise" to the operations of stamp collectors and, themselves, knew the value of this particular issue in a foreign country. Mr. Sulman, however, always has been a man of great resource and knew that when all other arguments failed, very often the smiles of a pretty girl would attain the object desired. He went back to the ship and selecting the best looking girl on board suggested that she should try to do what he had failed to do, namely, to induce the postmaster to part with samples of the rare stamp issue. The smiles won, and the young lady brought the stamps back to the delighted Mr. Sulman, who gallantly adds that his Samoan stamps have therefore a peculiar and intrinsic value all their own.

In Tonga Island he didn't experience the same difficulty. There the natives usually have the stamps all done up in packages ready for sale to the collectors. Some of these stamps are particularly beautiful, and the reason why the dealers have them always on hand in convenient shape for purchase is that the tourists' boats stop for such a short time on the island.

At Teneriffe, on the Canary Islands, he visited a post office, and found that the particular sheet which was being offered by the postmaster contained stamps which were badly centered and unsuitable for a choice collection. He tried to induce the official to give him some stamps from another sheet, but the latter stubbornly refused. Mr. Sulman was forced to stand outside the post office and wait until a sufficient number of people had entered to buy stamps, so that the badly-centered sheet was sold out and the unobliging postmaster was compelled to start selling from a new sheet.

Mr. Sulman was lucky enough to be in Siam when the King of that country was issuing a special issue of stamps to the Boy Scouts. The boys were selling the stamps, upon which they received a commission for their various troops. These stamps were all surcharged with a tiger head. Mr. Sulman seized the opportunity to procure several sets of these stamps, which now comprise a part of the nineteen volumes which go to make up his collection. There is no doubt that in future years these stamps will be worth a great deal of money as the issue was not a large one.

He was also on Samos Island at the time when the celebration was held to mark the Greek occupation, the country having been taken from the Turks after the war. A special set of stamps was issued for that occasion, and they were all initialled by the postmaster, and Mr. Sulman had the privilege of seeing his own stamps personally initialled.

It is a strange thing, Mr. Sulman states, than in many countries it is impossible to secure at the post offices all of the sets of stamps issued by that country. For instance, in Costa Rica he asked for the highest value of stamps, but was told that it was not in stock. Moreover the postmaster with whom he was conversing had not seen the particular stamp which was asked for. Mr. Sulman met the President of the country and asked if he could secure one of the desired stamps, and the President also was forced to confess that he had never seen one either. Mr. Sulman finally got one of these stamps from a dealer in New York, after his return home.

A very amusing experience befell Mr. Sulman in Jaipur, India. He went to a native post office and asked for stamps, and was told that he would have to secure them from the "stamp dealer." The latter gentleman, he found to be a native, squatted down by the roadside on a bench with a very strong, padlocked box by his side. The purchase was made. The native ceremoniously unlocked the mysterious box and produced the stamps. He, however, was unable to make change and Mr. Sulman offered to take the change in stamps. The box was unlocked once more, and more stamps produced. The deal concluded, the native once more closed the box, adjusted the heavy padlock and sat waiting for more customers. "I don't know why he was so careful to keep the box securely locked," said Mr. Sulman, speaking of the incident, "because at the time there wasn't a soul in sight except myself." One of Mr. Sulman's friends volunteers the probable solution that probably the native had heard that Mr. Sulman was at one time a successful politician.

In Indo-China Mr. Sulman found the postmaster particularly obliging. He immediately went to his safe, picked out all the stamps he had and told him to take what he liked. Evidently he didn't place very much value upon them, being probably unacquainted with the gentle art of stamp collectors.

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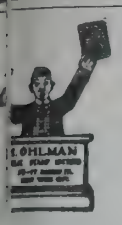

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BRITISH HONDURAS, PLATE 3, 1921-22.

By HARRY E. HUBER.

A special Bulletin issued by the Crown Agents in November, 1920, notified that: "Early this year it was found that the dandy roll used to manufacture the all-over watermarked papers used for issues of Colonial Postage and Revenue stamps since the year 1903, was completely worn out. It was decided to manufacture a new dandy roll, bearing an Imperial Crown and the letters C A (Crown Agents) shown in script capitals. This has now been done, and the old roll has been destroyed. Supplies of white and blue papers have already been made from the new roll, and as the existing stocks of green, yellow and red papers are used up, the new paper will be brought into general use."

The first stamps to be printed on white paper with the script watermark were the 1d and 2½d of Bermuda's first Legislative Tercentenary series, issued at Hamilton on Nov. 11, 1920; the new blue paper was first used for the 2s of Barbados' small Arms type series, issued at Bridgetown, on Nov. 14, 1921.

The script lettering of the watermark is similar to that introduced in 1912 for the Georgian stamps of Great Britain, while the Victorian Tudor Crown has given way to the Edwardian Imperial Crown.

No plate 2 printings of stamps for British Honduras appeared on this new paper, and in their Bulletin of March 31st, 1921, the Crown Agents advised that "Postage & Revenue" keyplate, 1912 design, No. 2, having been condemned and destroyed, it is replaced by a new 120 set plate numbered 3."

1c and $5 stamps printed from plate 3 were dispatched from London in August, 1921, the former being on paper with the script watermark, while the latter was on red paper, with the old watermark. This red paper, originally made for 1d stamps, was assigned in the Crown Agents' color scheme of 1907, to stamps of £1 or near equivalent. The demand is naturally very small, and unless transferred to a value used more extensively, the stock in hand at present will last for many years.

The 1c stamp was issued on Nov. 26, 1921, but the plate 3 printing of the $5 was withheld until Feb. 10, 1922, pending exhaustion of plate 1 printing of this value. The 120-stamp sheets of both values were cut into panes of 60 before being sent out.

Plate 3 differs from plates 1 and 2 in that the plate number appears only twice on the sheets of 120 stamps, i. e., under the 2nd and 5th stamps of the lower row, on the left and right panes, respectively. On the earlier plates, the number appeared four times, twice in the upper and twice in the lower margins.

1921-22. King George V, multiple Crown CA (script for 1c, upright for $5), comb perf. 14, plate 3.

1c green, Nov. 26, 1921.
$5 violet and black on red, C., Feb. 10, 1922.

STAMP COLLECTING IN PEKING.

By G. W. TWOMEY.

The oldest capital in the world offers many interesting experiences to the collector of porcelains, bronzes, old paintings and other things, but it is reserved for the stamp collector to have the time of his life. There are many Chinese stamp dealers. These men have no idea of the value of the stamps they offer for sale and the result is that they demand ridiculous prices for the commonest varieties of current issues. There are no good old issues to be found. German Colonies, German Offices in China and Russian offices in China are not to be found. The earlier issues of China are almost as rare. Faked surcharges are the specialty of the Chinese. The various surcharged issues of China are counterfeited in a very crude manner. A great favorite with these gentry is the Foochow provisional, Scott's No. 88.

The Chinese aerial mail are just as bad. Everyone admits that there was a first trip of the air mail service, but no one believes that it carried any letters. It is known that a number of officials were carried on this trip, and, to one given to speculation, the question occurs, where did they carry the mail? Used sets of this first trip air mail, faked, of course, with the first trip cancellation, are sold to the unwary in Peking at thirty dollars a set. In spite of all this, Peking has some advantages, for in few if any cities is it possible to purchase eleven sets of stamps in current issue. (The Chinese postal department furnishes six sets.) The current issue, the junk and reaper set, the set issued in commemoration of the republic and the postage due. All of these can be bought surcharged for use in Eastern Turkestan.

In the Legation post offices, French offices in China, Japanese offices in China, Italian offices in Peking and Tientsin, India C. E. F., can all be purchased The India C. E. F. are used by the Indian troops who are detailed as guards at the British legation. Some varieties of the King Edward C. E. F. issue are still on sale.

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THE POSTAGE STAMPS OF BELGIUM.

By BERTRAM W. H. POOLE.

(*Continued from page 312*)

The perforation has a gauge of 14, as before, but it is obvious the same comb-machine could not have been used on account of the extra line of perforation required for each stamp between the design proper and the Sunday label. But the machine used was evidently one of the comb variety and the sheets would be perforated from one or other of the sides and not from the top or bottom. The extra lines of perforation made the sheets very difficult to handle without tearing.

The paper was similar to that previously employed, wove and unwatermarked, but for some printings a poor quality seems to have been used. Mr. de Bont says, "During 1904-5 all values excepting the 2 francs, were printed on a very thin transparent paper, very lightly striped vertically. This printing is quite distinct from all others, and may easily be recognised if the stamps are held up to the light; the impression does not show through on the back, and the paper appears as though it had been impregnated with tiny dots of oil."

A printing of the 2 centimes in yellow was also made on the paper intended for the Parcel Post Stamps. This paper was watermarked with the Royal Arms on a large scale covering a number of stamps. A certain portion of the stamps on the sheet, therefore, showed part of this watermark and these varieties are easily recognised. Regarding this variety, Mr. de Bont writes:—

"A variety of this stamp is known on the watermarked paper used for the Railway stamps. It is difficult to explain how this could have occurred, as in Belgium the Administration of Railways is quite distinct from the Administration of Posts and Telegraphs, and each has its stamps made in its own separate printing works. Further, the paper used for the Railways stamps is not supplied by the mill supplying the paper for the postage stamps. It is only since 1907 that similar paper has been used by both administrations. It is manufactured by the Godin de Huy Mill, and is supplied through Messrs. De Ruyssche, of Brussels."

Curiously enough Gibbons' makes no mention of this variety though it is well-known and obviously more important and collectible than many of the trivial broken letter varieties accorded catalogue rank.

With the exception of the 1 and 2 franc denominations a large number of printings were made of all the stamps of this series. It is obvious that a great many plates must have been used for some of the values but there appears to be no published evidence with regard to these.

No less than twenty-eight separate printings were made of the 1 centime, according to Mr. de Bont, giving the enormous total of 1,134,000,000 stamps. Every year one or more printings took place and sometimes the demand for this value was so great that for weeks at a time the printing office was engaged in the task of printing this value entirely.

Of the 2 centimes in yellow, both Mr. de Bont and Mr. Bouvez agree there was but one printing, but while the former says this consisted of 4,580,000 stamps, the latter insists the number was 9,000,000. There were many printings of this value when its color was changed to red-brown, the total quantity produced being 42,500,000 stamps. According to Mr. de Bont, the numbers printed of the other denominations were as follows:—

	No. Stamps.
5 centimes, 15 printings,	118,000,000
10 centimes, many printings,	567,000,000
20 centimes, 5 printings,	12,600,000
25 centimes, 12 printings,	36,000,000
35 centimes, 8 printings,	6,920,000
50 centimes (bistre), 2 printings,	747,000
50 centimes (grey), 8 printings,	1,305,000
1 franc, 2 printings,	224,000
2 francs, 2 printings,	168,000

Shades are to be found in connection with all these stamps and especially in those values that were printed in big quantities but they are not so well marked as one would expect from the number of different printings extending over a period of many years.

As usual there are many minor varieties due to broken letters or defective printing, and one supply of the 1 centime printed in 1905, containing some sheets that were so poorly printed that the inscriptions were almost illegible. The most interesting of these varieties occurs in the 25 centimes. The second stamp in the second row of the first plate has the "5" in the upper left-hand corner incomplete, the small ball at the end of the curve being omitted.

The use of the Sunday label did not at first lighten the Sabbath day duties of the postal officials to any great extent for, from careful statistics made at the time, it was found that only about 10% of the stamps used, still had the label attached. But the administration persisted in its use and it was not the Hun hordes overran the country during the Great War and a new issue was produced in London that the Label was finally eliminated.

Even the postal employees, for whose benefit the label was supposedly issued, took scant notice of it at first and there were many complaints that letters were delivered on the Sabbath in spite of the fact that they were franked with the Sunday label stamps. Complaints became so numerous that Mr. Vanpeereboom finally had to address a circular to postmasters as follows:—

"Despatches bearing the domiciliary stamp, with the legend attached thereto, have been delivered on the Sunday contrary to the regulations of the order of 17th May last.

These irregularities must cease completely, and the immediate chiefs must take care that this is done. Negligence on this point will be severely repressed.

On the present occasion it seems useful to remark that the use of the domiciliary stamp is not indispensable to prevent a despatch being delivered on a Sunday. The sender may indicate his wish in this respect by a written or printed notice on the address, and this wish must be respected in whatsoever mode it is manifested.

The only exception is for express despatches. These are delivered as soon as they arrive, on Sundays as well as other days, whatever stamps may be applied on the address. The mode of sending chosen must be deemed exclusive of any intention to delay the delivery of the despatches."

Early in 1894 the post-office department felt some way must be devised for lessening the labor of cancelling the stamps on printed matter, this class of mail on some days almost swamping the larger offices. It was, therefore, decided to try the system of pre-cancelling the stamps and this was found so successful that the privilege of selling stamps uncancelled before sale was extended to several of the larger offices and the following decree was published:—

"Art. 1.—There shall be placed on sale in certain post-offices postage stamps of 1 and 2 centimes cancelled in advance for use on newspapers and printed matter.

Art. 2.—These stamps are not to be sold in quantities of less than 1000.

Art. 3.—They are obliterated by a rolling stamp bearing the name of the office and the indication of the year in which they are obliterated. Until further orders they are valid for that year and the first month of the succeeding one.

Art. 4.—Articles prepaid by stamps cancelled in advance must be delivered at the window of the receiving office in quantities of not less than 1000. These stamps are not valid when affixed to articles placed in letter boxes.

(Signed) J. VANDENPEEREBOOM.
BRUSSELS, June 21st, 1894."

The system was found to save much time and labor that it was gradually extended and after a time the precancelling was done by the printing machine instead of roller hand-stamps.

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THE TECHNIQUE OF PERFORATIONS.

By Geo. E. Danielson.

I wonder how most of you collectors about it when you want to find out ther a stamp is perforated 10, 11 or Do you glance at a stamp and imiately decide that it is perforated 10, do you look all over the house for auge and then when you do find it, riously compare each stamp with the ted diagram? One collector told me he did not collect perforations be- se they gave him a headache. That ns to be the point with many col- ors. They take their detecting too ously.

In the first place, what are perfora- s, and what is a perforation gauge? forations may be of many kinds, but are interested in those of the later es of U. S. Perforations in our , then, are a series of holes punched veen stamps to facilitate their separation. A perforation gauge is a gauge for use in measuring the holes on any one or more sides of a stamp. It has been universally adopted that the number of holes in 20 millimeters shall be a stamp's perforation.

(The metric system is used in stamp articles because it has been universally adopted. Roughly speaking, 20 millimeters equals ¾ of an inch.)

Therefore, if 20 millimeters there are 12 holes, a stamp is perforated 12, if there are 11 holes it is perforated 11, and so on.

Here is one thing that you should familiarize yourself with as it has an important bearing on what will follow. The perforation holes in our later U. S. stamps are all the same size. We get the different perforation by spacing the holes, not by making them larger. If the holes are spaced closely, the stamps naturally all tear apart more easily than if they were spaced farther apart.

The important thing I am trying to bring out in this article is that it is foolish for a precancel collector to use a gauge if he can get along without it. He must necessarily examine many stamps, and it is necessary that he be able to classify them quickly. Lack of ability to detect perforations may mean the loss of scarce varieties for your collection.

To begin with, if you want to break away from the gauge, look at the back of the stamps, as the design has tendency to confuse the eye. Remember that the holes are all the same size. Look at the "teeth" made in tearing the stamps apart. On the perforation 12 the teeth are almost pointed and on some stamps are actually sharp. The perforation 11 are little more blunt, while the perforation 10 appear still more blunt, and the space between the holes is about the same as the holes themselves.

Look over your stamps carefully and decide which of the three perforations apply. Then compare with the gauge and see if you are right. Like anything else requiring special skill, it will be some time before you will always be sure of the perforations, but once you have the ability you have something worth while.

While on the subject of gauges, I might mention that it is easier to find the perforations if you match the "teeth" of the stamps with the top of the balls than trying to fit the perforations between. If you have a gauge with lines, it is best to match the teeth with the lines. A gauge printed on colored card has been found best.

Other helps in detecting perforations are issues in which there is only one perforation. A study of Scott's catalogue will give you these in detail. For instance, the 1898 and 1902 issues come perforated 12 only. In the 1908 issues the 1c, 2c, 8c, 10c, 13c, 15c, 50c and $1.00 come perforated 12 only. The 3c, 4c, 5c, 6c of this issue are used, in later issues perforation 10 and 11. The surface prints and 13c are perforated 11 only. The 11c is perforated only 10 and 11. All the aeroplane, Victory and Pilgrims are perforated 11 only.—*Precancel Gazette.*

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Came—T'other day, Mr. F. H. Lord of San Jose, California, casually dropped in, and as it had been some little time since we had seen Mr. Lord, (twenty-five years ago, if the truth is to be told) we perked up a bit. We are pleased that he has been true to us for so many years and that he has saved the story of his wonderful accumulation of five cent 1847's for us. It was Mr. Lord who so successfully started out in 1905 to obtain as many of the five cent brown Franklins as he could and who later, removing to California, continued his impressment of the stamp. Mr. Lord had a great experience in combing the markets for what practically is Number One in U. S. stamps; and a long story could be made of his pains and pleasures. It was in 1905 that Mr. F. H. Lord, then residing in Minneapolis, was puzzled by the scarcity of the stamp, price considered, to which as an admirer of Benjamin Franklin, our first postmaster-general, Mr. Lord was strongly drawn. Mr. Lord was in the employ of a railroad and in his travels through stamp towns he was impressed by the small number of five cent forty-seven in stock. He became curious about the conditions surrounding these stamps, and from analyses that he made, he concluded that five thousand copies taken out of the available supply of the stamps would leave comparatively few copies in sight. Mr. Lord consulted with Mr. H. G. Smith, who then was treasurer of the American Philatelic Society, and Mr. Smith agreed with Mr. Lord that the five cent was under-rated. The two men then decided to buy up all the stamps possible and Mr. Lord began his campaign for gathering the stamps. The stamp catalogued seventy-five cents at the time, and the first thing that Mr. Lord did was to send in a trade column ad to the WEEKLY offering to buy good copies at fifty or sixty cents each. The chase was on and we shall tell of some of the high-lights in the next number.

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Card—"I send my card in the shape of the following clipping from a paper of 1869, which, in the light of the Ferrari sale causes me to indulge in a few thinking moments," writes an old-timer who sends in the squib: "The collection of Mr. Stewart, the sugar merchant, for instance, is variously estimated by the postage stamp *dilettanti* from $500 to $2,000, and it is probable that the first figure is the more correct."

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Care—We have spoken several times about the desirability of maintaining a "bureau" even though it be no more than a committee of three members of the American Philatelic Society, for the purpose of refuting unjustifiable allusions to philately in the press of the day. A centralized seat of authority could pass on clippings that might be sent in to it and it certainly could give instant attention to ignorant or calumnious comment in print. If the protection of philately in this way was the chief office of the bureau, unfair criticism would be met with refutation couched in terms that would invite rather than repel. As it is, "slanders" may remain unanswered, one collector leaving it to another to attend to a correction. In our opinion, the American Philatelic Society, at its coming convention, should establish a department of publication whose duty it would be to meet misrepresentations with truth.

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Clip—They cannot come too fast to please us. Here is another piece of fiction with a philatelic plot, "A Bit of Old Paper," by Charles Phelps Cushing, that appeared in the *Blue Book Magazine* for July. If one regard the story merely as a finished product, it is readable indeed, but if the writer is one really conversant with philately, we are neatly fooled. It would seem to us that the writer saw a good plot in philately and recruited himself with just enough knowledge of stamp collecting to give his conclusions an air of verisimilitude. However, as one author of a stamp story told us when he was taxed with having an academic rather than practical knowledge of stamps, he could not be at all technical when it came to writing for the public who knew nothing at all of philately.

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Cuts—A reader has sent us a sharp letter because we had a few words in defense of the Neurope issues in recent numbers. What stirs his ire to the extent of four pages is not evident as he says that he does not complain about the prices asked for them as they are low enough generally taken. If these stamps get on his nerves to the extent we fear they do, why does he not drop them from the roll.

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Case—Here is an instance of philatelic depravity that we wish that we could draw the mantle of charity over, but there are some deeds so dark that for the benefit of the whole organization of philately should be exposed. We are calling up the society of prevention of cruelty to philatelic wives to report this case: "I have a grievance. My husband, who is a reader of your paper, has a collection of stamps with which he toys for hours at a time. I have considered this a harmless occupation and was glad that he had something sufficiently interesting to keep him home nights. So far so good. The first of this week I had a birthday, and knowing—as only a wife can know—how dense he is at times, I started a month ago to drop hints about how much I needed a pair of gray silk hose to match my new dress. This morning I came down expectantly and found a package at my place at the breakfast table; it felt too heavy and bulky for hosiery but I cherished the hope that it might prove to be a snappy piece of fiction. I opened it—my hopes crumbled as the Walls of Jericho; it was a copy of your Philatelic Dictionary!"

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Call—About a dozen readers, we are pleased to say, showed their interest in Arthur Brisbane's editorial on stamps by sending it in to us with comments more or less caustic. Mr. A. H. Pike and others suggest that we send an answer to Mr. Brisbane's unappreciative dismissal of philately. This is all right and as it should be; and we have sent in a good many rebuttals to arguments against the claims of collecting that have been made in public prints. In the main the results of our defense have been of some benefit, but we suspect that the greatest weight is given to communications that come from persons who have no professional axe to grind in championing a cause. The "other side" clearly conceived and calmly presented by a person who in no way may be said to receive material support from his pursuit makes a deeper impression than our own words, which may be said to be open to the impeachment of self-interest. However, we do know that the editorial in question will call forth a chorus of "nays."

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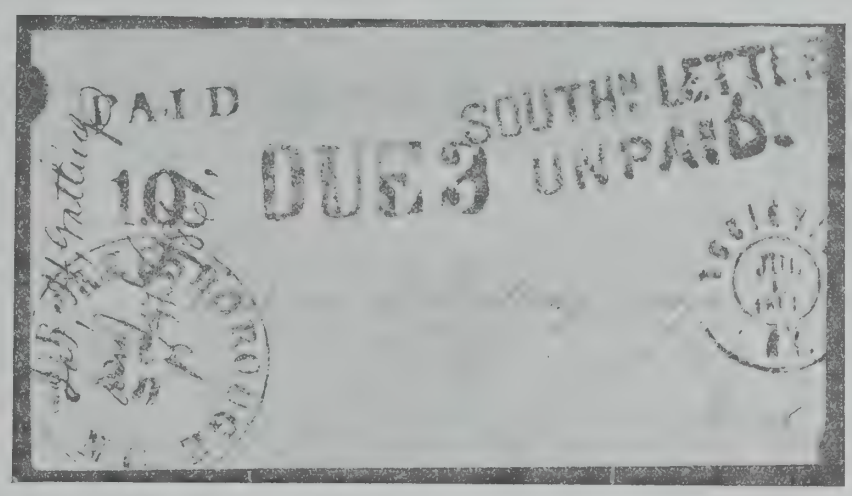

"SOUTHn LETTER—UNPAID"

The small-sized United States Nesbitt envelope illustrated here, shows the postmark . "Murfreesborough, N.C." and "PAID 10" (Both in *black*, postmark is dated "JUN 28") also shows postmark "Louisville, Ky. JUL 6 1861" (*in blue*) and is handstamped "SOUTHn LETTER UNPAID" and "DUE 3" (Both in *blue*). Manuscript notation at left end of envelope reads: "Jos. H. Gatling ans. July 15th 1861."

This letter was sent "Through the Lines" in direct disobedience to Postmaster Blair's Order that "All Postal Communication with the States in Rebellion Shall Cease, After May the Thirty-first."

Letter also should have been held for insufficient postage, as the "Murfreesborough—Paid 10" Confederate Provisional carried it *only to the lines* and the U. S. Envelope Stamp had been cancelled with a penmark.

The Louisville Office, however, stamped it "SOUTHn LETTER UNPAID" and "DUE 3" and allowed it to be carried to its destination.

Why did they do this? may be answered by noting to whom it is addressed.

Letter is addressed to Richard Jordan Gatling, the inventor of the Gatling Revolving Battery Gun. Mr. Gatling was born and lived in Murfreesborough until 1849, when he moved to Indianapolis. He conceived the idea for the gun in 1861; first guns were made in Indianapolis in 1862, and General Butler used twelve of them *against the Confederate forces*, on the James River, in 1863. This letter may have contained information valuable to Gatling and as he was known to be a distinctly Northern sympathizer, he was permitted to receive it.

The "SOUTHn LETTER UNPAID" handstamp is a new one to me, I would like to hear from anyone who has a duplicate of this.

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One of the most favored "indoor sports" of a generation ago and one which still has many followers, was stamp collecting. There were few youngsters who did not have a collection and few who did not strive to best his playmates in excellence and diversity of possession. To have a valuable and large book of stamps of various nationalities was a mark of great distinction. Nor was the craze confined to youngsters. Many men and women of mature years spent much time and money perfecting their collections and many have had carefully tended groups worth thousands of dollars.

The universality of the fad passed for a time, but now it gives signs of renewed activity. A movement has been started by the New York Philatelic Society to interest school children in the science—for it is a science when given its full import—because of its "educational, historical and geographical importance." and its investment possibilities. To aid the movement the society will establish an exchange where stamps can be traded, bought and sold.

The plan is commendable. It will give the present generation a fascinating hobby and will turn the minds of the young from other things which have far less value and will afford that broader knowledge of foreign countries which is sadly lacking. The old lands with which we were familiar in our boyhood through their postage stamps will again be more than names; they will be concrete places with a definite location; facts about them will be known and the general education of youth advanced. Stamp collecting puts geography and history on an interesting plane that is not afforded in books. —Syracuse *Post-Standard*.

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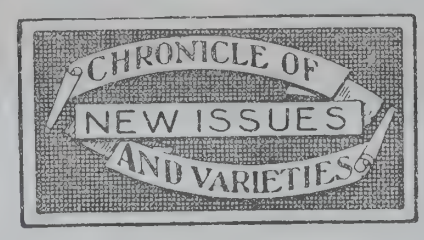

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Mr. B. K. Miller calls my attention to the fact that he has recently received a sheet of seventy (7x10) of the 1c rotary, perforated 11x10 from the coil waste. I find upon investigation that the post offices were having considerable trouble with the former sheets of 170 stamps made from this waste and that as a result the Bureau is now cutting these sheets of 170 stamps into sheets of 100 and sheets of 70 and distributing them accordingly. The individual stamp of course does not differ in the slightest and as the stamps are torn apart by means of the perforations they cannot be told even in the sheets. It is of interest, however, to follow the workings of the "stamp factory."

In further reference to the odd plate of the 3c offset type bearing number 13688, which has been mentioned in the last two Chronicles, I am officially informed that this plate was started on April 4, 1921, and cancelled on August 5, 1921. It was an experimental plate and never went to press.

The Scott Stamp and Coin Company send for inspection a block of the 2c postage due, perforated 11, unwatermarked in a somewhat different shade, which they classify as "claret". I have not as yet seen the other denominations in this color.

A correspondent recently inquired as to the number of proofs in the well-known set on card board and while I was able to inform him that there were 211 in the set I could not tell him how this number was made up. Reference to my library, which is rather extensive as far as U. S. matters go, failed to produce the desired information. The Scott people tell me that this is made up of 80 postage, 92 departments, 2 carriers, 3 special delivery, 27 newspapers and 7 dues, and the information will no doubt be of general interest.

The next issue of Scott's *Monthly* will make an announcement that will be of great interest to all collectors of United States stamps. They contemplate issuing a special catalogue devoted entirely to our emissions and they will not only list all known varieties, both major and minor, but will at the same time give information relative to blocks, cancellations and the like. Such a publication will fill a long felt want and will enable the collector who has not the time to follow the market to know what odd varieties are actually worth.

Mr. J. V. Nielsen sends for an inspection a block of the Confederate 1863, 10c blue, mint, wherein one vertical row is much below the other rows of the sheet. I have seen quite a few panes of 100 of this variety, but have never noticed this peculiarity before.

COSTA RICA.—Mr. Eugene Klein submits to us for chronicle the 5c purple commemorative of the "Centenario de La Independence de Centro America" surcharged "Correos 1922" in two lines in black.

CZECHO-SLOVAKIA.—Mr. Ferdinand F. E. Kopecky informs us that the new postmark mentioned a few weeks ago "Piste v Adresach Vzdy Ulici a Cislo Domi" is equivalent to the American one which reads "Address your mail to street and number." Literally it reads "Write in your addresses the street and number of the house."

JAMAICA.—Mr. J. A. Galbraith has shown us the 1½d, "Contingent Embarking" and the 2½d "Return of Contingent 1919" printed on the script watermarked paper.

LEEWARD ISLANDS.—Mr. J. A. Galbraith reports the following values on script watermarked paper: 2d, 4d, 5d, 2sh, 3sh, 4sh.

LATVIA.—Mr. Paul Kalnozol, of Riga, writes:—

"A change will come into force on June 1st in the foreign postage rates: foreign letter rate will be reduced from 15r to 10r (registered from 30r to 20r) and post cards from 9r to 6r (registered from 24r to 16r)."—*Stamp Collecting.*

NORTH BORNEO.—Mr. Fred A. Jekel submits to us a cover franked with the 2c green and 12c blue surcharged "Malay-Borneo Exhibition 1922" in red and in three lines. Mr. Jekel takes exception to some of the notes regarding this issue of surcharges and calls attention to their use for postage purposes and advises that he thinks the wrong position is taken regarding this issue by some of the new issue dealers.

SWEDEN.—Mr. E. C. Tomlin shows us a novelty:—Posthorn Type (S. G. 22), 70 öre brown.—*Stamp Collecting.*

RUSSIA *(Bolshevik Govt.)*.—Our Riga correspondent, Mr. Paul Kalnozol, writes:—

"To begin with May 1st there exist new postage rates in Soviet Russia: post cards, 120,000r instead of 18,000r; letters, 200,000r instead of 30,000r; registered letters, 400,000r instead of 40,000r.

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"In the near future a new issue of stamps is to be expected in South Russia, for Aerial and Famine Relief Fund use also."—*Stamp Collecting.*

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THE MOUNTING PROBLEM.
By A. H. ROBINSON.

I have read with a great deal of i est the recently published articles H. Brigham and a reply by Fra Applegate, regarding the proper m ing or hinging of stamps and fully with Mr. Applegate, as his method most satisfactory. I have tried bo much prefer the hinge "bent well the top of the stamp."

On the other hand, should one to lift the stamp well up from the have a simple method by which it done, without damage to either sta page. It's just this, take a hinge down such a part of it as one may to the bent down portion attach a hinge, this gives one a double hing mucilage on either side; at one e "stickey" is up, the other end it's It's so simple, now all one has to d bend the hinge to suit their par fancy, as this final bending deter the height the stamp can be lifted the page. So it's entirely up to own idea and fancy and in one's to fully regulate the height the can be lifted from the page.

It's perfectly true that once o found and properly classified the va one seldom has occasion to ex stamps further. I have tried many of keeping a record of the variet my collection and find that by Scott's catalogue numbers, the best with a minimum of work can be But one is confronted with thee changing of the catalogue numbers of us like to throw bouquets, an like to throw brick bats. I feel th Scott Company should have the pra all collectors, as it is mostly a lab love with them, getting out the catal but there is one fault, that is of cha the catalogue number of any stam can see no reason for it, can't see h it can possibly aid them and I fin great drawback, and one that I c explain. Believe that the publ should be made aware of this, and they have some reason for conti feel that they will fall in line and future when a stamp has been as a number, let it carry that n throughout the ages to come.

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

Edward W. Heusinger, San , Texas, was a recent caller at EKLY office at Chicago, and al- the editor had not seen him since was no trick for him to call Mr. er by name at first glance. Mr. er has done more for philately is than any other collector, per- id he leaves no effort untried to the influence of philately in his Mr. Heusinger's objective point shington, D. C.

about two weeks ending June hmond, Va., has been using a cancellation with "Near East Re- othing Bundle Day—June 14" in ies.

S. Billings calls our attention to le in Ford's Dearborn Indepen- Financing a Nation with Postage " It occupies an entire page and Illustrated.

Buchanan favors us with the A Bit of Old Paper" as printed July *Blue Book Magazine,* and by Charles Phelps Cushing. This attracting wide philatelic atten-

colors of the new Canadian are as follows:—1c straw col- green, 5c red and 10c blue. A in the color of the 4c stamp is- sible and the postal authorities it may be red.

are informed by E. L. Clark 1923 convention of the United Societies will be held at Lynn, pon invitation of the Lynn Phi- ociety. Mr. Clark recently at- he New York convention.

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POSTAGE STAMPS OF KEDAH.

By R. F. Healy.

There is nothing to chronicle in the postal story of Kedah during the first seven years of its existence as a stamp-issuing State. The year 1919, however, was full of surprises, including two provisionals, the supply of Straits Settlements stamps to remedy a temporary shortage, changes of colour, and the addition of new values. There appears to be a good deal of uncertainty as to the precise details relating to these provisionals, and the official source of information has not done very much to clear up the matter.

The Provisional Issue.

Early in 1919, owing to a shortage of the 50 cents and $1 values, a quantity of the $2 and $3 denominations were surcharged with the required values by Messrs. Rebeiro & Co., of Penang, the stamps being overprinted in blocks of thirty—six rows of five. The surcharge consists of the new value in fancy type capitals in two lines, and the original figures obliterated by two squares, all in black.

50c on $2, green and brown.
$1 on $3, black and purple on blue.

From what can be gathered the stamps appeared some time during May; some reports maintain that the provisionals were issued separately, but the Treasury at Alor Star state definitely that both were placed on sale at the same time. As to the numbers overprinted, the information is equally vague and conflicting. From the Philatelic press at different times the figures were given as:—1200 of the 50c and 2000 of the $1; again we have 3600 of the lower and 4800 of the higher value; while another claims 3600 of each. No doubt these figures influenced the fact that the 50c is regarded as being the better of the two. The official figures are given as 3598 of the 50c and 3184 of the $1, which rather discounts the popular idea as to the relative value of these two stamps. It may be assumed that 120 sheets of thirty stamps were sent in to be overprinted, and that the official figures represent those stamps received at the post office from the Treasury.

The standardising of the Dollar, changes in postal rates, and the adoption of universal colours, were responsible for what may be called the second permanent issue. These began to appear in July, 1919, and may be summarised as follows:—

1c brown.
1c deep brown.
1c chocolate.
2c deep green.
2c yellow green.
3c deep purple.
4c (two plates) rose.
4c (combined plate) rose.
4c deep rose.
21c purple and mauve.
25c blue and purple.

The first consignment of the 4c stamps was printed from a key and duty plate, the other printings from a new combined plate. These two may readily be distinguished, as the central design in the later emissions stands clear of the oval frame, and shows a clear white margin, while the early impressions shows the central design merging into the border. An easy method of picking out those of the first type is to look at the back when the central design will be seen in silhouette.

From this period, too, a very decided change in shade is to be noticed in some, if not all the other values of the series. It is quite distinctive in the 10, 20 and 30 cents stamps, where the ploughing scene appears sharper and in deeper tone. The paper, too, is not so thick, and the stamps are not so heavily gummed. The latter change is fully apparent when cleaning any used copies which, with the early printings, was quite a long process.

Straits Used in Kedah.

Prior to the arrival of the first consignment of the new stamps, the supply of the old bi-coloured 4 cents gave out, and to avoid introducing another provisional, a supply of the 4c carmine, of the Straits Settlements was received via Penang. These stamps were in use from about the middle of March to the middle of June. It was at first thought that the use of these Straits stamps was confined to the Capital, but it would appear that their use was general throughout the State, as I have copies bearing the postmarks of Jitra and Baling, and the latter town is over forty miles from Alor Star. My earliest dated cancellation is 15th of March, and the latest 14th of June.

In January of this year there were further changes in the postal tariff, which would make it seem necessary to replace the 10c by a 12c value. The 10c was the first to appear on the new Script CA paper, so that this, with the 25c on the old paper may be regarded as being quite good things in their way. The 3c deep purple, on the Crown CA paper, exists with watermark inverted.

Those collectors who take an interest in postmarks might find a list of the post offices in this little State of use to them; here they are:—Alor Star (the capital), Bagan Samak, Baling, Gurun, Jitra, Kuala Ketil, Kuala Muda, Kulim, Langkawi, Lunas, Perlis, Padang Lanjut, Padang Serai, Semilling, Sungei Patani and Yen.

At the Padang Serai office a peculiar cancelling stamp is, or was in use, consisting of a large oval bearing the date in the centre, with "Post Office" at the top and "Padang Serai" below. It is struck in both violet and in black. The "Bamboo" marks, familiar on Siamese stamps, are also to be found, and are used no doubt to obliterate uncancelled mail matter arriving from outlying places. The type used differs from the variety in use in Siam, being oval in shape and very much like the postmark so well known to collectors of old English.—*Stamp Collectors' Monthly Journal.*

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335A	unused 2c carmine Prs. and Blks. same rate.	.10	.05
336	unused 2c carmine Prs. and Blks. same rate.	.06	.04
336A	unused 2c carmine Prs. and Blks. same rate.	.10	.05
337	unused 2c carmine Prs. and Blks. same rate.	.06	.04
337A	unused 2c carmine Prs. and Blks. same rate.	.10	.05
338C	unused 1c green, pr. for	..	.20
339A	unused 2c carmine Prs. and Blks. same rate.	.06	.04
339B	unused 2c carm., strip of (2)	..	.25
339E	unused 2c carmine, pair	..	.12
342A	unused 5c blue, pair	..	.30
348	unused 2c carmine Prs. and Blks. same rate.	.05	.03
355C	unused 1c grn. (line strip 2)	..	.15
356A	unused 2c carmine Prs. and Blks. same rate.	.10	.04
356B	unused 2c carmine strip (2)	..	.12
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20	o	— 5c brown, type I, black town canc., fine	(47)	10.00	4.00
21	o	— 5c brown, type I, black town canc., very good	(47)	10.00	3.00
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32	x	— another fair copy	(51)	7.50	.50
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34	o	— 12c black, perfectly centered and very fine	(51)	5.00	2.75
35	o	— another fine copy	(51)	5.00	1.75
36	o	— another very good copy	(51)	5.00	1.25
37	o	— another copy, perfs. cut into at left, wide plain edge at right, red canc., **on cover,** rare thus	(51)	5.00	1.90
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39	x	— 24c gray, perf. plain edge at left, nice copy	(52a)	12.00	1.90
40	o	— 24c gray lilac, perf. plain edge at right, black grid canc., fine	(52a)	12.00	2.75
41	x	— 30c, slightly close at top, otherwise very fine	(53)	15 00	4.75
42	x	— quite a similar copy	(53)	15.00	4.50
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44	x	— 30c, centered somewhat to left, otherwise fine	(53)	15.00	3.00
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52	x	— 1c bright blue, **Reprint,** very fine	(54a)	4.00	1.50
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54	o	— 5c brown yellow, good appearance, slightly damaged	(67a)	25.00	2.50
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68	o	— — — fine appearance but minute defect, invisible on face	(72)	10.00	2 50
69	o	— — — not well centered, otherwise fine	(72)	10.00	2.50
70	o	1862, 5c red brown, very good	(75)	7.00	1.90
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72	o	— 5c brown, well centered and fine	(76)	1.50	.75
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74	o	— 5c brown, four centered copies with diff. shades	(76)	1.50	2 00
75	o	— 5c black brown, centered and fine	(76a)	3.50	1.75
76	o	— 5c, three almost centered copies, diff. canc.	(76a)	10.50	4.00
77	x	— 5c brown, fairly centered, fine	(76)	5.00	1.00
78	o	— 15c black, well centered and superb, blue target canc.	(77)	2.50	3.50
79	o	— — well centered and fine	(77)	2.50	1.75
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81	o	— — four not well centered copies with diff. canc.	(77)	10.00	2.50
81a	x	— 24c gray lilac, plain edge and guide line at right, o. g., very good	(78a)	6.00	1.25
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86	x	— 1c blue, rare ultramarine shade, 9x13, plain edge at left, nice copy	(92)	6.00	.90
87	o	— 2c, 11x13, plain edge at left and perfectly centered, very fine	(87)	1.00	.60
88	o	— 10c green, 11x13 and 9x13, almost centered, fine	(89, 96)	4.50	1.75
89	o	— 10c green, 11x13 and 9x13, not quite so well centered, otherwise fine	(89, 96)	4.50	1.00
90	o	— 12c black, 11x13 and 9x13, almost centered, fine	(90, 97)	3.50	1.50
91	o	— 12c black, 11x13 and 9x13, not quite so well centered, otherwise fine	(90, 97)	3.50	.75
92	o	— 15c black, 11x13 and 9x13, almost centered, fine	(91, 98)	6.50	3.00
93	o	— 15c black, 11x13 and 9x13, not quite so well centered, otherwise fine	(91, 98)	6.50	1.50
94	o	— 30c, grilled, very good, fine appearance	(100)	5.00	1.50
95	o	— 30c, not quite well centered, minute thinning, looks fine	(100)	5.00	.60
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100	o	— 10c orange, somewhat off center, otherwise fine	(116)	2.50	1.10
101	o	— 10c orange, not quite well centered, otherwise fine	(116)	2.50	.60
102	o	— 12c, centered and fine	(117)	2.50	1.50
103	o	— 12c, not so well centered, otherwise fine	(117)	2.50	1.00
104	o	— 15c, centered and fine	(118)	6.00	3.50
105	o	— 15c, somewhat off centered, otherwise fine	(118)	6.00	1.75
106	o	— 15c, perfectly centered and very fine	(119)	3.00	3.00
107	o	— 15c, centered and fine	(119)	3 00	1.75
108	o	— 15c, somewhat off center, otherwise fine	(119)	3.00	1.00
109	o	— 24c, centered and fine	(120)	8.00	4
110	o	— 24c, somewhat off center, otherwise fine	(120)	8.00	3
111	o	— 30c, perfection	(121)	4.50	4
112	o	— — very fine	(121)	4.50	3
113	o	— — very good	(121)	4.50	2
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119	o	— 7c, red postmark, very fine	(149)	..	2
120	o	— 24c purple, fine	(153)	3.00	2
121	o	— 24c purple, very good	(153)	3.00	1
122	o	— 90c carmine, fine	(155)	2.50	1
123	o	1879, 90c carmine, very good copies	(191)	3.50	1
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134	x	**JUSTICE,** 1c, 2c, well centered and very fine		4.05	2
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141	x	— 2, 3, 6, 7c, o. g., mostly fine		10.00	3
142	x	— 6, 7c, not quite well centered		4.00	
143	o	— 6, 10c, fine		2.75	
144	o	— 24c, almost centered		6.00	1
145	o	— 30c, almost centered		5.00	1
146	o	**TREASURY,** 1-90c, fine		6.90	2
147	o	— 7c, perfectly centered and fine		1.50	1
148	o	— 24c, almost centered, fine		3.00	1
149	o	**NEWSPAPER** 1879, $1.92 brown, very good, $3 vermilion, perfectly centered, thin, otherwise fine	(2043, 2044)	11.00	1
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156	x	— — 25c black, strip of three, bottom line of two stamps slightly touched, yet a fine strip and very scarce, initialed L R	(6201)	15.00	8
157	o	**BOYD'S CITY EXPRESS** 1844, 2c green, cancelled **Free** in red, extremely fine on cover	(6168)	5.00	3
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178	o	**CAPE OF GOOD HOPE** 1875, 4p blue, very fine	(4)	2.75	2
179	o	— — 4p blue, fine	(4)	2.75	1
180	o	— — 4p blue, very good	(4)	2.75	1
181	o	— — **1s dark green, very fine**	(6a)	17.50	10
182	o	— — **another fine copy**	(6a)	17.50	10
183	o	— — another copy very fine, except one corner slightly thinned	(6a)	17.50	9
184	o	— 1863, 4p slate blue, good margins, fine	(13a)	12.00	3
185	o	— — 6p violet, excellent color, fine margins two sides, fair one on third, except small spot touched	(14)	15.00	6
186	o	— — quite a similar copy, fresh color	(14)	15.00	5
187	o	— — 1s emerald, fair margins all sides, fine	(15)	20.00	8
188	o	**DOMINICA** 1874-79, Nos. 1, 4, 7, fine		4.50	2
189	o	— 1877, 6p green, fine	(8)	4.00	2
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192	o	**HYDERABAD** 1871, ½a red brown, vert. block of ten, perfs. touch at right, small stp., but very scarce in such a large block	(4a)	..	1
193	o	— — ½a orange brown, horiz. block of sixteen, two stamps slightly damaged, small stamp, but extremely scarce in such an enormous block	(4)	..	

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o **NEVIS** 1867, 4p orange, well centered, lightly cancelled, exceptionally fine	(10)	10.00	4.00
o **NATAL** 1867-73, 1s green, 1s brown lilac, both fine	(17, 44)	6.50	2.00
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o — — 1kr black, superb **on cover**	(6)	1.00	1.00
o — — 3kr green, very scarce **red** ring canc., very fine **on cover**	(7)	..	1.00
o — — 3kr blue, superb in every respect **on cover**	(8)	.75	1.00
o — 1861, 1kr black, vertical pair, perfectly centered, rare cog wheel canc., superb	(10)	1.50	1.50
o — 1864, 1kr black, superb pair	(19)	..	1.00
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o **FRANCE** 1853, 25c blue, fine on cover	(17)	4.00	2.25
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o — — 20c on 100c blue block of four, rare and extra fine	(113)	8.00	1.50
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ES ON THE PENNY KANGAROO.

By JAMES POLLARD.

e more one studies this stamp, the fascinating it becomes, for it va- n a way that is not monotonous, nteresting and instructive.

e thing that strikes you on survey- number of these penny stamps is, he centering of the design is very for a common stamp, and one 't see many copies on which the rations cut through the edges of esign. Compare this stamp with in the same class—our current s Heads, for instance—and you nd that there is something in what

measuring the design we find a lit- ifference. Horizontally the stamp ures from 18¾ mm. to 19 mm., little variance there is being due y to the impression and quantity of Measuring vertically there is a more difference. Most copies from 25¼ mm. to 25½ mm., a oing almost 25¾ mm. One stamp have I found that measured less 25¼ mm., and this was one that fairly heavily printed, is a good copy, and measures exactly 25 mm. cases I have measured from the ne outside edges of the design. the difference of ¼ mm. is hardly y of significance in this stamp, n the horizontal measurement I advise that little notice be given unless some further difference is ered. But in the vertical meas- nt, where the smaller design oc- only very rarely, it would be as o give prominence to it. Special- ists could mount, together with two others, measuring 25¼ mm. and 25½ mm. respectively, taking care that the designs measure exactly to the fraction.

Turning to the printing of the design we have to admit that this is also very good, for we don't see so much of that blurred and blotched printing, as usually goes with the commoner stamps (again I would ask you to compare with our current King's Head). There is one little variety here which often stands out plainly. It is what I term "uneven print," and can be easily distinguished, when portions of the stamp is printed heavier than the rest. Sometimes one side of the design shows up much more strongly than the other half.

In the ink itself we find a little more difference for, whilst the composition of the normal colouring varies a good deal in intensity, there are one or two colours which are slightly fugitive, a notable one being almost pink in shade. There is also a beautiful rich colour on some of the stamps of the later issues in the early days of 1914. These are on a clear white paper, softer than the papers of the earlier issues and on which the design and colouring show up to perfection.

Lately I came across a couple from worn plates, in both of which the design measures 18¾ mm. by 25¼ mm. In each of these stamps the whole of the lines of background are broken in innumerable places, where the lines on the plates have failed to register the ink; in several places the outlines are worn and thinned; the kangaroo's head is very slightly shaded, and the usually pronounced line of colour outlining the animal's back is very irregularly defined.

The watermark of this stamp—and of all the first issues—varies a little in size and shape, but as it does not show very distinctly and is therefore somewhat difficult to measure and examine, collectors may prefer to pass it by.

Some specialists may, however, like to find out all there is to know about this wmk., and to those I would offer a few suggestions. It would be as well to only deal with the stamp whose wmks. show up fairly well in the hand or on the table, for it is of course hardly possible to measure the watermark in the detector tray. For the purposes of measurement and inspection, the stamp should be laid face downwards on the table, and if the table or tablecloth is of some dark substance they will show up to the best advantage for the work. After inspection and sorting, they can be mounted in the album, and notes on them be written, in the manner that best commends itself to the collector. He might, for instance, if he finds a few good and distinct variations of the wmk., mount the stamps face downwards, taking care to use a good peelable stamp mount, and moistening it lightly.

Coming to the minor varieties of printing again, it might interest readers to know that it is almost impossible to find a copy of the penny—or of any of the Kangaroo series—without one or more letters joined, either in "Australia" or in the letters forming the value below. In some of the Penny values I have noticed the whole of the letters in ——RALIA joined at the foot. In my humble opinion the little varieties of this nature are too insignificant even for the specialist, but it may perhaps be of some interest to some readers of this article. Of a like nature is the variety commonly seen in the Penny, in which value the lines of background between N.N., are generally joined by a bar of colouring. Also in the same stamp a little spot of colour appears in the right lower corner, joining the lowest line of background to the bottom line, or to the corner of the inner frame line.

Amongst other minor varieties are many little defects in the lettering, some of which I gave notice of in a previous article. A few of recent discovery are: Broken R, in which a fine line of colour breaks the upper stroke of the letter exactly in the centre; broken N in ONE, in which the upper outline of the serif on the right-hand stroke has broken in the printing. Of a like nature is a break in the upper outline of the top-stroke in the E in ONE, and also a break in the d, in the value in circle. A little different from these is one that I have, wherein the last A in AUSTRALIA is badly distorted, due to the corner of the stamp having blurred before drying.

It would be interesting to know if any reader has noticed the same defects of lettering, as I have mentioned in this and my previous article, for so far as I know, most of them may be only "casual" varieties, and it would need more stamps of the same value, and containing exactly similar defects, to convert them into "regular" minor varieties.

An attempt at describing the shades and minor shades is at present beyond the power of my pen. Suffice to say that S.G. are quite correct in classifying it as red. But there are many shades of "red," and in this direction—as in many others—the specialist must be his own judge and expert.—*Aust. Stamp Journal.*

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For more than 18 months an English clergyman named Roger and his wife have been trying to reach the island from Cape Town and finally induced the captain of the Japanese steamship Tacoma Maru, which left Cape Town on March 26 for the River Plate, to deviate from his regular course and land them at Tristan da Cunha.

W. Denis Myers, a passenger on the Tacoma Maru and a lawyer of Cape Town, who has just arrived here, tells of the vessel's call at the island with Mr. and Mrs. Roger and thinks the population is truly in need of a missionary.

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"The student of evolution, the psychologist as well as the missionary, would find much to interest him in this curious, forgotten community," says Mr. Myers. "The settlement originated, it is said, when a detachment of soldiers who were guarding Napoleon at St. Helena, to the North, were despatched to Tristan da Cunha to forestall the remote possibility that Napoleon might attempt to escape thither. Two of the soldiers remained and importing wives from St. Helena, laid the foundations of one of the strangest settlements in the world.

"From time to time shipwrecked mariners have added to the inhabitants on the island, who have married and intermarried till relationship after a century has become a hopeless tangle. Nearly all the present population were born on the island and have a colored strain in their blood. They speak English with a peculiar drawl, resembling West of England speech. There is one old Italian among them, shipwrecked from a sailing vessel, who appears to have forgotten his own name and in fact his mother tongue.

CULTIVATE POTATOES.

"Continued intermarriage has in this generation produced some pitiful children. Some of them are idiots, some lack limbs, some are deaf and dumb. The population does nothing agriculturally except to cultivate potatoes. On this food, together with fish and penguin eggs, they chiefly exist. There are few wild cattle and a few sheep and out of the wool of the latter the women knit rough woolen stockings. That is their only manufacture. They wear old clothes, mostly seamen's, begged from the ships, usually wandering windjammers, that visit the island at rare intervals. There being no commerce, there is no need for money.

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"The islander's attitude toward visitors is curious; as he stands before one his head droops, his arms fall listlessly to his side and he answers limply and uninterestedly questions as to his life and mode of existence. He seems to have no other interest than to trade a penquin, an albatross skin, or a seal's flapper for an old shirt, a little tobacco, or anything from civilization that would be useful. He articulates slowly and with difficulty as if he had almost forgotten speech. I did not see one smile.

"Tristan da Cunha is a mountain 4,000 feet high rising out of the ocean wastes like an inverted bowl, and as we saw it, was wreathed in swirling mists. The little colony lives in stone huts on a green strip of pasture land at the foot of the mountain.

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Reaching the Senate early in the afternoon, I send in my card but find that the Senator is at lunch. I stop in the Senate Gallery and hear the tariff bill discussed, 400% duty on razors, but thank goodness no duty on stamps. Pretty soon I see a tall well built Senator enter on the right. His hair is gray and bushy, streaked with black. Alert and firm in his movements I recognize him from his portrait in the WEEKLY as Senator Frelinghuysen. Down a floor again and into the Senate reception room. My card goes in and out comes the Senator. I can see almost from his first remark that he is a real student of philately and really interested in stamps. It is not a question of collecting for his children as so many have thought. We are hardly seated when there arrives a delegation of school children from New Jersey. The Senator has them shown around. Then a machinist who wants to be transferred from one department to another and so for a while I was beginning to think they would never leave us alone. Finally we located a quiet corner and philately reigned supreme.

The Senator makes a general collection and while he favors the issues of the 19th century, he has not neglected the 20th Century varieties, including the many new Europe. His pet hobbies are early United States and British Colonies and of these he has a wonderful lot. He not only collects our regular issues but has some unusual pieces in the way of carriers and locals. His British Colonies are built around an old collection that he purchased, mounted many years ago, in an old plush album and containing only the classic issues—the early Barbados with a split five shilling surcharged besides many of the old ones, a number of Cape triangles, early Canada and an unusual lot of Ceylon, Victoria and the like. He went over the Needham collection when it was broken up and picked out many fine pieces. He runs almost entirely to singles off cover, although he possesses many fine covers. His entire collection in so far as early issues are concerned is mounted in loose leaf blank albums. In the case of his late varieties he uses a Scott's printed album. His new issues are very extensive and not only strong in British Colonies but he has an unusually fine lot of Portuguese. If the Senator continues as he is going, I can see the making of what will be one of our leading American collections. The Senator has invited me to his home to see his treasures and I hope to give a further account at some future date.

Walking over to the House I send in my card to Mr. Ackerman but find that he is not on the floor. Some one says they think he has a 30c black on the cover of the 1860 issue. Is it so? One of our best posted dealers is his philatelic secretary and if it exists he probably has it.

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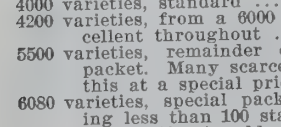

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His assistant, Mr. Gibbons, while not a collector is extremely well-posted on philately. It is under his supervision that a very fine postal exhibit is being arranged to be sent to Rio. On its return they are going to place it in the office of the Chief of the Stamp Division for reference purposes, and it will be added to from time to time as new varieties appear. Mr. Gibbons tells me that some of the dies for overprinting the 3c envelopes have been returned and that after the several cities finish their work they will have them all sent in to Washington.

Around the corner from the Stamp Division on the same floor we find the Philatelic Stamp Agent, Mr. Howard A. Mount, with a young lady to assist him. Mr. Mount's entire time is devoted to stamps and as he is the one who had charge of the window that catered to collectors some years back he is well posted as to their requirements. I remember fifteen to eighteen years ago buying the 10c coil stamps from Mr. Mount at face. Sorry, but he had none of this issue on sale when I called upon him this time. They had nothing especially new with the exception of the $1 in a very fine shade. All of the denominations are especially well centered and he is especially careful to pick out what is wanted. He has a Scott catalogue on his desk so that he will know what you are talking about if you mention it.

At present he has on sale all of the current series, the 1916 $2 and $5, the Victory, the Pilgrims and the Aeroplanes as well as the Shanghai overprints. He also has a small supply of the overprinted reply postal cards in addition to a few overprinted envelopes. Mr. Mount is willing to go out of his way to please the collector, but remember that they have no old issues to offer, not even the preceding varieties which were perforated 10, nor have they any of the 5c errors to offer at face or at any other price. Nothing special is made at the Bureau for the Stamp Agent, but he is simply furnished with finely centered sheets of all varieties still available.

For years past, in visiting the Bureau I have always made it a point to stop in at the engraving division to see what was new in the way of dies, methods of making plates and the like. Mr. Louis B. Hill during this time was the Assistant Chief Engraver and he always went out of his way to furnish us with as much information as was consistent with the Bureau's rulings. It seemed odd, but pleasing, to find him on this visit, as Director. Mr. Hill is a man of medium build, no excess flesh, smooth shaven with dark hair, streaked with gray. He is the son of a former chief engraver and has himself been in the Bureau employ for a number of years. The Bureau has been entirely reorganized under Mr. Hill's direction and every division is running smoothly. Being an engraver by profession he can naturally see the advantage of making all securities of this government from engraved steel plates and if he has his way we have seen the last of the offset printed postage stamps.

He tells the story of the famous 5c error. We knew that the wrong transfer roll was used, but never as to exactly how it occurred. It seems that plate No. 7,942 was completed and as is the usual custom a proof was run before it was hardened in order that any defects might be corrected. The Assistant Chief Engraver inspects the sheet and around three subjects which were not satisfactorily entered he put a blue penciled circle together with the letters "RE" meaning re-enter. The transferrer goes to the tray and picks up a transfer roll and noticing the head of Washington, imagines that he has the 2c roll in hand. He then takes the unhardened plate and re-enters these three subjects in the same manner as the first entry was made. It is not necessary to turn the plate over and beat the original entry out as some have supposed, but the steel being soft the second entry eradicates all signs of the first transfer. The new proof was then passed, the plate certified, hardened and went to press with the result that the collector today has three new varieties to add to his collection,—the perforated 11, the 10 and the imperforate.

Mr. Hill is much pleased with the work of his Engraving Division and informs us that if he is called upon to design a new series of postage stamps that he will give us something real. I hope he will be given the opportunity, and if you think the same way write to the Postmaster General, or to his Third Assistant, who has charge of all stamp matters.

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The seventh congress of the Universal Postal Union, which should have been held in Madrid, in September, 1914, and which was postponed in consequence of the war, was formally opened on the 1st October, 1920, in the Senate House, Madrid, by the King and Queen in person. Subsequent meetings were held in a suite of rooms in the Madrid Post Office.

At this congress many radical changes were approved, bearing on the interchange of mails between the members of the Union. Maximum rates for postage on international mail were fixed, and international payment for transit of mails was established on a gold dollar basis instead of the former franc.

In the matter of letter rates, a scheme had to be found which would satisfy those members who desired increased postage rates for revenue purposes, as well as those who desired no increase. With existing conditions, the long cherished uniformity of postage had to go, and it was finally decided to fix the maximum rates on a gold basis, with the proviso that members might retain the rates previously in force, or fix new rates according to their own ideas, so long as they did not exceed the maximum approved by the Congress, viz.—
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The revised conditions and arrangements were approved November 30, 1920.

In the past the Universal Post Union made the rates and insisted that they be adhered to, except in the case of special agreements between governments, as between the United States and British Honduras, etc. But now each country may set its rates, providing the amounts set by the congress are not exceeded. As the new transit charges are on a gold basis, many countries suffering from a depreciated currency find it impossible to continue the previous charges.

Britain's penny postage with the Colonies, instituted on Christmas Day, 1898, was abandoned on June 1st, 1918, in favor of a 1½d rate. Two years later, June 1st, 1920, this gave way to a 2d rate for the first ounce, and 1d for subsequent ounces, only to undergo still another change on June 13th, 1921, when the rate for "subsequent ounces" was made 1½d, the first ounce remaining 2d. Post cards, inland, Empire, as well as foreign, were raised to 1½d, and at the same time the foreign letter rate was made 3d for the first ounce, with 1½d for each succeeding ounce.

By an order of the Governor in Council, dated 13th April, 1921, new letter rates were made effective as from the 1st June, 1921.

"No. 275. British Honduras.
Rates of Postage.

Order by the Governor in Council under Section 5 of Chapter 130 of the Consolidated Laws (Revised Edition).

The following rates of postage on letters shall come into operation as from the first day of June, 1921:—
Inland Letters:—
For the first two ounces ..... 2 cents
For every succeeding ounce or part thereof ..... 1 cent
Letters to the United Kingdom, British Possessions and Protectorates, and to *the United States of North America.*
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"No. 777. British Honduras
Rates of Postage.

Order by the Governor in Council under Section 5 of Chapter 130 of the Consolidated Laws (Revised Edition).

The following rates of postage to places abroad shall come into operation as from the first day of January, 1922:
Letters:—

To the United Kingdom, other parts of the British Empire, and the United States:
For the first ounce ..... 4 cents
For every succeeding ounce or part of an ounce ..... 2 cents
To all other places:
For the first ounce ..... 5 cents
For every succeeding ounce or part of an ounce ..... 3 cents
Post Cards, single, each ..... 3 cents
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The Washington authorities were advised of the proposed increase, in a letter dated 28th April, 1921, by the Colonial Postmaster, viz.,—

"I have the honour to inform you that the rate of postage on letters from this Colony to the United States will from the 1st June next be for the first ounce four (4) cents, and for every succeeding ounce two (2) cents."

Two courses were open to the Washington authorities; agree to the one-way increase, or cancel the convention. In the latter event, letters to and from the Colony would have been charged at the foreign letter rate of 5c. As the increase was considerably less than authorized by the Madrid convention, with respect to letters destined for other countries, the United States Post Office Department did not question the increase, and considered the agreement modified to such extent by the action taken by the Colony.

Furthermore, the increase was agreed to "in the interest of maintaining the existing reduced rate *from* the United States, which otherwise could have likewise been terminated by the abrogation on the part of the Colony of the agreement in force." This action was suggested in one or two instances by other British Colonies in the Western Hemisphere, in case the Washington authorities did not agree to the proposed increase in one direction only.

A 4c stamp being now required, the necessary instructions were given to the Crown Agents, and in September, 1921, they announced that the stamp was in preparation to be "in the same design as the 2c Peace stamp, but with the word 'Peace' omitted."

The stamps were dispatched from London on October 14, 1921, and issue took place in the Colony on January 4, 1922. The design is the same as for the 2c Peace, with the exception that the word "Peace" is omitted from the ribbons on either side of the Crown.

The stamp was printed in gray, by the copper plate process, in sheets of 60, on thick white paper, watermarked multiple Crown CA, script, sideways, with the top of the Crown to the left. The perforation is single line, 14, the side margins only being perforated through, and the marginal markings are the same as for the 2c Peace stamp.

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THE KLEMANN-GRINNELL SUIT.

Reported by BILL BLOSS.

Philatelic history is being made daily in Department Seven of the Superior Court of Los Angeles County, California, in the civil suit of John Klemann vs. George H. Grinnell, for the recovery of $65,000, paid for forty-three Hawaiian Missionary stamps claimed to be counterfeits by the plaintiff.

At the time of writing, the case is still in its infancy, and for this reason, and in justice to both parties concerned, it is deemed advisable to eliminate the full details of the case until the decision of the court permits a more complete account.

Suffice to say at this time that the case in question dates back to November, 1919, when a large find of Hawaiian Missionary stamps was reported by Mr. Grinnell, a Los Angeles collector. Mr. John Klemann, of the Nassau Stamp Company, hastened to the coast and acquired the stamps for $65,000. Returning to New York, Mr. Klemann made certain discoveries which caused him to believe that the stamps were not genuine, and suit was filed against the vendor for recovery of the amount paid.

Needless to say, this case has attracted international attention in the stamp world, and no small amount of interest from the public at large. It is without doubt the most important philatelic litigation which ever took place in any court.

After several legal delays, the case was set for May 31st, and opened on that date before Judge Perry Wood.

Anyone wishing to locate a Los Angeles dealer or collector on that morning would have had no difficulty, for they were all assembled in that court room, ready to receive their expert instruction in the whys and wherefores of the Hawaiian Missionary.

The case opened by the calling of the plaintiff to the witness stand, where he spent a busy day and a half answering some ten or twenty thousand questions shot at him by his counsel and the counsel for the defense. The stamps in question were entered as Plaintiff's Exhibit No. 5, and known genuine stamps in the collections of Mr. William H. Crocker of San Francisco, and Mr. Storrow of Pasadena, were exhibited, together with photographs of stamps in other great collections.

On the afternoon of the second day, Mr. Henry Marcus of San Fransisco was called for the plaintiff, as an expert, and gave a detailed opinion based on the exhibits in question. On the third day, Mr. B. W. H. Poole, a Los Angeles dealer of international repute as a philatelic expert, was called to the stand to testify and give his opinion.

A delay of eight days occurred due to illness of the attorney for the defendant, only one short session being held in that time to take the testimony of Mr. Charles J. Phillips of London, the head of Stanley Gibbons, Ltd.

The case resumed on Tuesday afternoon, June 13th, when Mr. Poole was again called to the stand, followed by Captain Walsh of the U. S. Treasury Department, Mr. Charles J. Goodman, a local dealer, and Mr. Harry J. Lelande, a local collector.

On Wednesday morning following, Mr. M. Galvez, the well-known dealer and philatelic publisher of Madrid, Spain, gave testimony bearing on technicalities of the manufacture of the Hawaiian Missionary stamps, stamps in general, and his opinion on the exhibits in question.

The case will doubtless be prolonged for at least a week, since there are many witnesses yet to appear for the plaintiff and all of the defendant's side to be heard.

It is entirely too early to prophesy the outcome of the case, except that it is popular belief that the ultimate winners will be the attorneys on both sides, and that the judge will doubtless take up collecting, since he is absorbing a remarkable knowledge of philately in general and Hawaiian stamps in particular, and will certainly be qualified as an expert on the Missionaries. He has had a wonderful eye-full of philatelic gems in the collections exhibited.

Among the out-of-town philatelists at the trial are Messrs. Charles J. Phillips of London, M. Galvez of Madrid, H. W. Marcus, H. W. Doscher, F. O. Selianoff of San Francisco, and E. T. Wallis, of Indianapolis.

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(New York *Times.*)

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The stamps were purchased b Leon Adutt, an English collector, has specialized in rare United S varieties. The sale in which the st appeared was held under the auspi the Junior Philatelic Society of L in commemoration of the fiftieth versary of the first postage stamp tion in London. All of the stam the sale were contributed by privat lectors and dealers, the proceeds toward the expenses of the national Stamp Exhibition in L next year. Mr. Adutt is actively ested in the coming event and dealers are inclined to believe buyers virtually contributed their of the funds for the exhibitio making far more generous bids would have been the case in any re auction. Many other stamps at anniversary sale brought price excess of their catalogue value.

The forthcoming London exhibi which will be held in Horticu Hall, will attract a number of A cans and plans are being made to over portions of some of the bes vate collections in the United S The Collectors' Club of this city h tested to its interest by offering a gold medal as one of the awards.

The New York postmaster stam sued in 1845, two years before the Government adhesive stamp issu not one of the great postmaster u rarities, but it has always held a liar interest for philatelists, part view of the admirably engraved he Washington. The stamps were used and up to a few years ago copies were obtainable for $5 to $1 within the past two years the pric advanced for average good and p copies.

The New York stamp still co one mystery which philatelic stu have been unable to solve. The na the engraver is unknown, and i latest monograph issued on the s by A. Hatfield Jr. of this city, n more convincing is given than pre by other writers. Mr. Hatfield attention to this perplexing qu

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he presents an opinion which seems the plausible.

"There are indications," he says, which lead me to the opinion that the engraver was no other than that gifted British artist, William Humphrys, who engraved the triangular Cape of Good Hope stamp die (1853), the first New England die (1855), Ceylon (1855), St. Helena (1856) and others. Humphrys had spent many years in America prior to coming back here and in his obituary notice in *The Art Journal* (1875) it is stated that he engraved the portrait of Washington for United States stamps. This might have referred to the first Government issue of 1847, and if so, the same printers printed the 5c New York stamp and the 1847 United States Government issue and may have employed the same engraver."

The New York stamp, which was printed in black, was printed by Rawdon, Wright, Hatch & Edson of New York, the firm that later became the American Bank Note Company. There is record that they paid the engraver for the steel plate $40.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless omitted, as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

Siegfried Schachne leaves June 24 on an extended stay in Europe. He informs us that he will not return until late in the year.

From Triest, Italy, we receive greetings from J. Saulnier, who on the first day of the Congress sends us a post card designed especially for the Italian Philatelic Congress and which bears a mark of appropriate character.

The Yonkers (N. Y.) *Herald* of June 14 contained an illustration covering one-third of an entire page. It pictured a cover received from Russia on which were stamps to the value of 10,000 rubles. There were sixteen stamps of 22,500 rubles each, and four of 10 rubles. The letter was received by Charles W. Richmond, Smithsonian Institute, Washington, D. C., who sent it to William L. Richmond of Yonkers, who for many years has been interested philately and is a long-time subscriber to WEEKLY.

We are indebted to Howard Starr Levy for copies of two songs written and published by him. One of them is entitled "What Remembrance Means" the other "Everything is Round the Corner in this World for Me."

Arthur Barger of the Northern Co., Montreal, Can., sends us a copy of the new 2c green. The existence of green 1c and 2c stamps is provocative confusing to the postal employes.

Frank F. Wills informs us that the 1c, 10c, also the 2, 3 and 5c caribous have been issued in distinctly new colors. The proposed new issue for Newfoundland is for the time postponed.

M. Saulnier writing from Triest, says—"Prices here are so low that the cards I took along with me do not find purchasers at my prices. The dealers here have no U. S., their stock consisting principally of old Italian States on entire cover, but for these they ask inflated prices. I have been in Venice and it is the same as here."

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The device has just been authorized by the United States post office department and will be manufactured in this city. It is a small printing and recording mechanism, which can be set on a desk or table and is so simple in operation that a child can handle it efficiently.

A small cylinder contains the dies which print the stamp and the postmark, and also a meter which counts forward up to 1,000,000, for record, and backward from whatever number indicates the number of stamps which have been paid for. This cylinder is taken to the post office, where payment is made for the number of stamps desired.

The mechanism is set to correspond and sealed by the postal authorities, and is then returned to the machine and the number of pieces of mail desired printed.

The postograph will stamp 300 letters a minute, any size up to 12 inches in length at an equal speed. Letters may be any thickness up to three-eighths of an inch, without affecting the speed of handling.

The size of the whole machine is 12 x 24 x 16 inches, and it is run by a small electric motor of one-sixth horsepower, concealed from view. A smaller machine will later be built which can be run by hand for businesses which do not require handling of large quantities of mail.

The stamp dies will be for any denomination of stamp desired and the ink used will be of the same tint as that of the adhesive stamp of like denomination. Postograph mail will go directly to the sorting boxes on reaching the post office, having been identified for its delivery to the receiver in the office where it is addressed.

The system will do away with over 80 per cent of the time and labor now required in affixing postage stamps, sealing and canceling. The sealing device will do away with the present plan of using water or wet rollers. It is accomplished in the same operation with the stamping.

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(*Press Despatch.*)

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The highest price paid yesterday was 28,850 francs for a pair of Livingston, Ala., five-cent blues on a letter. Nearly all the important issues sold yesterday went to Americans, principally to Warren H. Colson of Boston, who bought back stamps he had bought for Ferrari whose agent he was in the United States prior to the World war. These stamps have more than doubled in value.

The collection which up to the present has been hardly half disposed of, already has fetched $666,000. The collection represents 50 years of work by Ferrari and is said to have cost him about $1,000,000. Before the sale began it contained practically complete groups of Confederate and local issues, most of which have now been sold to Americans, Arthur Hind of Utica, N. Y., getting a majority of those not taken by Colson.

Probably the rarest stamp in the present sale is a Hawaiian first issue two-cent blue, which will be auctioned today. Two other copies of this stamp were sold recently respectively for $9000 and $15,000.

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Bite—Just as our airs were getting insufferable in consequence of the widespread publicity of a favorable nature on the whole, that philately has been receiving in the public press along comes Arthur Brisbane, whose fame as an editorial writer for the Hearst papers is based in many minds on the high salary that he receives and whacks us with a club. The contributing cause of Brisbane's outbreak evidently is the story of the high prices realized for many of the stamps in the recent Ferrari sale when bidders ran amuck in their pursuit of rarities. Brisbane's first offense has been mentioned and as it was a comparatively mild one, it did not rankle as his after-claps have. Brisbane's second criticism was provoked by the report that the two cent Hawaiian missionary brought 94,000 francs at Paris. He says that if men care to waste time and money collecting stamps, let them do so but he thinks that the children should not be encouraged to collect. Brisbane says that there is but one kind of stamp collection that is good for children,—one of United States government thrift stamps; they should get as big a collection of these as they can. Here we have the triumph of triteness. Of course children should get all the thrift stamps possible; they may still do this and collect stamps which need not cost the children anything to speak of. Because some enthusiast who has the money to spend gives a small fortune for one of the recognized rarities, children are in danger of doing likewise! The Ferrari sale is the most remarkable that has ever been held and we shall not look upon its like again, in all probability. Its magnitude makes it a law unto itself and all signs fail when discussing it. There are not enough missionaries to get around to the children and little Rollo is too wise to save all his pennies in the hope of being able to buy one of these Hawaiian stamps. The auction prices at the Ferrari sale were given due attention in the press and cable editors gave generous space to the sky-rocket prices. Mr. Arthur Hind of Utica, New York, was advertised as the buyer of the two-cent missionary for $9,000; and the prices on the rare Confederate locals and some of the other select things were quoted.

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Bosh—Mr. Brisbane returns to the attack and in the third episode says that more than seven million francs are paid for a part of the Ferrari collection, which he avers is valueless or to be exact "is not worth a franc and a half" except as a record for museums. He adds that stamp-collecting is futile as a substitute for constructive effort; and that collecting is an inheritance from our animal ancestry of the remote past. His climax is to the effect that the jackdaw is a collector and that the lowest savages are, as well. Good for the jackdaw and the lowest savages; and while we shall not expect them to exhibit at the London Exhibition yet it is something to know that they collect. Collectors of stamps are the same as every-day folks, as a rule, and have no more time or money to spend foolishly than the average person. Stamps have an appeal to them in the way that books, coins, china, pictures, rugs, etc., do to others who collect. Utility is a good watchword and material advancement is not to be belittled but to harp on the practical side of life unceasingly is deadening to sentiment; and it does not take a Schopenhauer to say that life devoid of sentiment is a humdrum affair for anyone who does not qualify for the class of genius.

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Bait—Resuming our story of the corner of the five-cent of 1847, we may say that results from Mr. Lord's campaign of advertising were soon forthcoming. In addition, Mr. Lord wrote to all the dealers asking them to send him all the copies of this stamp that they had on hand as he could use an unbelievably large number of the stamps if in good condition as he was shading on a scale of refinement, never before attempted. Also he was interested in cancellations and too many stamps could not be sent him. Dealers responded generally and with a fair degree of liberality, but even so, the returns were such that Mr. Lord's suspicion of the scarcity of the five-cent of 1847 was confirmed. He had estimated that five thousand placed aside would sweep the market of good copies and he knew rather soon that he could revise this figure downwards. Some of the dealers were inclined to hold aloof for one reason or other. One of the oldest dealers, now, no longer in business, said that he would not sell his copies under catalogue price, as he knew that the five-cent of 1847 was scarcer than its catalogue price indicated. Another big dealer said that he had a considerable number of the stamps still on hand but sent on only the varieties that showed the shades. Mr. Lord said he wanted to see everything, and finally, all the stamps came never to return to their former home. The price kept mounting and the work of gathering the stamps in was considerable. Mr. Lord offered to sell all the stamps to Mr. Smith at a price, or buy Mr. Smith's stamps at the same price. Mr. Smith who was satisfied with his part in the transaction decided that he would sell and so Mr. Lord became the owner of all the stamps which numbered several thousand. Mr. N. Haskell Withee of LaCrosse, Wisconsin, who was a well-known collector, had a lot of four hundred five-cent browns of '47, which Mr. Lord purchased. Mr. Lord's removal to California did not cause him to slacken his chase for the stamps, but Mr. Lord was becoming busier in his other work and really did not give the attention later to the stamps that he did at first. Assuring himself that each copy met the standard of requirements, he put the stamps away in the vaults, and did not look at them again. Mr. Lord gathered together three thousand, two hundred and seventy-one stamps at a cost of one mill under one dollar and ten cents each. He disposed of some of the stamps, one lot of four hundred in particular, and finally sold two thousand six hundred and eighty-seven stamps that remained to an enterprising eastern dealer. The stamps that cost Mr. Lord a dollar ten cents each were sold for $2.00. Mr. Lord, who was actuated in his experiment with no particular aim, was afforded much instruction and entertainment in his market sweep, and no doubt he had no little satisfaction in vindicating his judgment in appraising the value of this stamp. Even to this day the stamp comes in to Mr. Lord as a result of the work that he did in rounding it up, and we suppose that in the years to come, he will be confronted with the fruits of his enterprise. Mr. Lord had many experiences that are amusing in the telling, while intensively engaged in capturing the stamp, and if they were not of a personal nature, they could be published, Mr. Lord says; as it is, we must forego the printing of them.

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CHAPTER XVI.

The Antwerp Exhibition Stamps.

An International Exhibition was held in Antwerp in 1894, and to celebrate the event in a fitting philatelic manner, it was decided to issue special stamps. A Royal decree, dated October 31st, 1893, announced: "During the International Exhibition, which will take place in 1894 in Antwerp, special postage stamps shall be issued, bearing the Arms of that town. These postage stamps will be available in exactly the same manner as ordinary postage stamps." Two days later the usual ministerial decree appeared describing these stamps, their values, colors, etc., viz.:—

"Pursuant to the Royal Decree dated October 31st, 1893, authorising a special issue of postage stamps during the International Exhibition to be held at Antwerp:—

DECREES:—

Art. 1.—The above mentioned postage stamps shall bear the inscription "1894—ANVERS—ANTWERPEN—BELGIQUE—BELGIE". They will also be provided with a detachable label inscribed "NE PAS LIVRER LE DIMANCHE—NIET BESTELLEN OP ZONDAG", the purpose and use of which are determined in Art. 1 of our Decree of May 15th, 1893.

Art. 2.—The values and colors of the stamps will be as follows:—

5 centimes, green on rose.
10 centimes, blue on rose.
25 centimes, carmine on blue

Art. 3.—The above mentioned stamps will be sold and may be used in the same manner as ordinary postage stamps during the period for which they are available, which shall finish on December 31st, 1894.

Art. 4.—These stamps will be issued on the day the Exhibition opens.

BRUSSELS, November 2nd, 1893.

(Signed) J. VANDENPEEREBOOM."

A further decree was published in January, 1894, in which the colors originally chosen for the 10 and 25 centimes respectively were changed and new dates of issue were announced. The revision fixed the colors and dates as follows:—

5 centimes, green on rose, to be issued Feb. 20, 1894.
10 centimes, carmine on blue, to be issued Mar. 20, 1894.
25 centimes, blue on rose, to be issued Mar. 20, 1894.

The three stamps are all alike in design and were drawn by Mr. H. Hendrickx, while the dies were engraved by Mr. V. Lemaire, of Ghent. The latter's name is shown in minute letters at the lower right portion of the design. The design is anything but handsome and has suffered by the designer trying to crowd in too many small details. In the centre are the Arms of Antwerp on a shield within a circle inscribed "ANTWERPEN" and "ANVERS" above and below respectively in Gothic letters. At the sides are "BELGIQUE" at left and "BELGIE" at right while above the shield is a Polar star. In the upper left corner is a head of Mercury on a small oval and in the upper right corner is the Belgian lion on a shield, while in the lower corners are small squares for the numerals of value. At the top of the design is the date "1894" in open numerals and at the base the usual Sunday label is shown.

The plates were presumably like those of the normal stamps of the period, consisting of 300 stamps divided into six panes of fifty each. The stamps were printed on unwatermarked paper and have the regular 14 perforation.

Mr. de Bont tells us there were two printings of each value, and that the total quantities printed were:—

5 centimes,	12,300,000
10 centimes,	17,050,000
25 centimes,	2,810,000

Mr. Bouvez gives very much smaller estimates, viz.:—1,500,000 of the 5c 3,000,000 of the 10c and only 600,000 of the 25c.

While the stamps are all still so common that it would not be unreasonable to suppose Mr. Bont's figures the more accurate, we find in the *Philatelic Journal of Great Britain* for March, 1898, a statement of the official quantities used which corroborates the estimate given by Mr. Bouvez. Of the 5c, 1,121,643 were used, of the 10c, 2,362,916, and of the 25c, 483,377.

The stamps vary a little in shade, especially as regards the tinting of the paper used for the 5c and 25c values. The first named is catalogued by Scott as on "white paper"—a variety discovered soon after the stamps appeared and just as promptly discredited as being due to fading or to doctoring by chemical means.

Before the final decision was made regarding the colors chosen for the different values numerous essays were made. Small sheets showing all three values were prepared and others with one value only, which were printed on plain and tinted papers. Consequently the 10c may be found in blue on rose, and the 25c in carmine on blue—the colors chosen in the first place.

As the administration had fixed a certain limit during which these stamps were available for postage, and this time expired on December 31st, 1894, a special notice was issued to postmasters concerning the exchange of these stamps for ordinary ones. By the terms of this notice these stamps could be exchanged for similar values in the regular series any time between January 1st and February 28th, 1895.

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5 centimes, green on rose.
10 centimes, carmine on blue.
25 centimes, blue on rose.

CHAPTER XVII.

The Brussels Exhibition Stamps.

The design chosen for the Antwerp Exhibition stamps was unmercifully criticised, particularly by the Belgian press, so that when it was contemplated that the Brussels Exhibition of 1897 should also be advertised by the issue of special stamps the Government decided to open a competition for suggested designs. In the early part of 1896, therefore, a lengthy document was published "Concerning a Competition for the designs of Postage Stamps" in which very exact instructions were given as to the size of the designs and the inscriptions to be shown, though the artists were given a free hand as to the actual subjects they might care to depict. Several prizes were offered and a committee, composed of three government officials and four artists, were appointed to act as judges. The competition was open to Belgians only and though some 252 designs were submitted, the larger portion were immediately disqualified as they were not in accordance with one or other of the voluminous regulations.

The first prize of 1000 francs was awarded to Mr. Alfred van Neste de Berghem, a young artist of Bruges, who was then doing his term of service in the Belgian army. His design was adopted for the 10 centime stamp.

The second prize of 500 francs went to Mr. G. Portielje, of Antwerp, and his design was used for the 5 centimes stamp.

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By JOHN L. HOWARD.

On Tuesday, May 30, at an informal meeting at the residence of Dr. William Evans, it was decided to form a local club or society for the promotion of interest in philately. Accordingly, we acted and the outcome of this meeting was the Hampton Roads Philatelic Society.

The following collectors were elected as officers for a term of one year Dr. William Evans, President; Lemuel Bowden, First Vice President; Wadsworth Bugg, Second Vice President; John L. Howard, Secretary; Monroe Nash, Treasurer, and Frank W. Boling, Librarian.

The first regular meeting was held Tuesday, June 6th, at which the plans for running the society and the By-Laws were discussed and adopted. It was decided to apply for a Branch Membership in the American Philatelic Society and since there are eight A. P. S. members on the roll, we have reasons to expect our application will pass favorably. For the present we will have one meeting a month with the privilege of calling a special meeting at any time it becomes necessary. We have made provisions for a Junior Department that we hope to make popular with the collectors under sixteen by eliminating fees and dues and giving them the benefit of experience along the lines that will be of most benefit to them in the future. At present we have fifteen paid up members and have the prospects for that many more, as we missed a great many on the first call.

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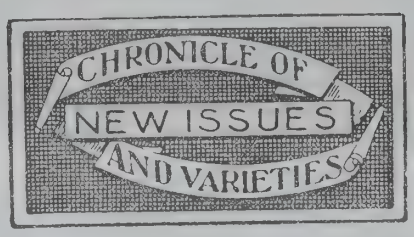

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—On June 14th I had the first opportunity of visiting the Bureau of Engraving and Printing since the general upheaval early in April. It seemed odd to find Mr. L. B. Hill occupying the Director's office after having associated him with the Engraving Division for so many years. We have possibly never had a Director so familiar with the workings of the large printing and engraving plant as Mr. Hill for he has been with the Bureau since early manhood. They have had a general housecleaning, the report is in the hands of the Secretary of Treasury and will no doubt be made public in short order.

As for matters of philatelic interest, there have been quite a few rumors here of late, regarding the Bureau doing away with the rotary presses and again starting offset printing and before even mentioning these remarks I desired to get official information at first hand. Mr. Hill informs me that they have no intentions of scrapping the rotary presses, in fact more have recently been ordered. The demand for coils has been so great that practically all of these machines are being used for coil purposes. This is one of the reasons we have not as yet seen the 2c perforated 10, in sheets of 100 of the rotary type although a number of plates have been made. When the new presses reach the Bureau it is possible that this variety may appear on short order.

As for the offset varieties, I can positively state that there will be none unless some unforeseen emergency arises. The Bureau has sufficient transferrers to take care of laying down the required plates of the engraved type, in fact, I am informed that things are running smoother than ever. Mr. Hill appreciates the possibility of counterfeiting in the case of these offset varieties and it is his desire that all securities of this government be from line-engraved plates.

As for the 1c electrolytic plates turned out by the Rose formula and described in this column some time back, would advise that this method has been discontinued and no plates will be produced. It is found that stamps from these plates do not show up clearly and they look as if the plate is badly worn. In fact, I have been informed that regular plates are often cancelled that would produce better results than these electrolytic plates when new. I desire to thank Mr. H. F. Colman for letting me have a block of this variety imperforate. I have never seen it perforated, although a large number were made and they will no doubt turn up in time. It is difficult to tell the variety from an impression from the worn plate although I hope to study the stamps closely under a glass and possibly find some difference.

Regarding plate No. 5,990 which recently appeared, I learn that when they were going over the old plates at the time the new administration took charge that this plate was located and put to press. It was what is designated as an experimental plate in that it was a master plate from which they were making electrolytic plates. The plate itself however, was laid down in the regular way and of course does not differ in the slightest from the normal variety.

The Bureau has recently turned out a new portrait and judging from its appearance they have a portrait engraver at the Bureau who has reached the Smillie class. Should the Post Office Department call for a new series of stamps Mr. Hill assures us of an issue that will be highly satisfactory and most pleasing. It has been fourteen years since our present series started, a longer period than ever before. If you feel that it is time for something new, write your thoughts to the Third Assistant Postmaster General, for I believe that with a little persuasion it can be brought about. All of the officials of the Post Office and the Bureau are new and I believe that they would like to show what really can be done.

The Department has prepared an exhibit of stamps to be sent to the Exhibition to be held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, very shortly. They have had a case prepared with twenty-four slides, similar to those used at the National Museum for housing the government collection. Mrs. Manning of the museum has mounted in this case the set of die proofs on India paper which were originally exhibited at San Francisco in 1915. In addition a complete sheet or pane of one hundred of each of the current series from 1c to $5 inclusive are included. In order to have the proof series complete and up-to-date the Department ordered the Bureau to print two each of the following die proofs: 1917, 11c, 13c, 3c Victory, $2 carmine and black, $5 green and black, Pilgrim 1c, 2c and 5c, Aeroplane 6c, 16c and 24c in addition to a die proof of the 24c aeroplane with an inverted center. This is the first error proof ever made to my knowledge. The second set is mounted in the regular proof book which is retained as a part of the records of the Stamp Division.

I also learned while in Washington that the second printing of Shanghai were made to fill a request of the Shanghai Postmaster and that the entire printing was sent to China. The Department had to cable to Shanghai requesting the return of a certain number to be sold at Washington. This will answer the question of many as to whether these were made at the Bureau just for the collector or if they were actually required to fill a postal need. I might also mention that of the higher values there were only a few in the second and not a great many of the denominations.

I desire to record the finding of current $2 variety in a lake and shade wherein the red is much deep and darker than those seen heretofore. The variety has been shown me by John G. Herndon.

The Associated Press has been giving information in the daily papers regarding the prices being paid, at the session of the Ferrari sale, for stamps. I will review the sale as soon as complete information is available.

ALBANIA.—The *Bulletin Mensuel* chronicle a set of seven values of different designs in oblong shape and perforated 12½. The values and colors as follows: 2q orange, 5q yellow green, 10q carmine, 25q blue, 50q green, 1f violet and 2f olive green.

ANTIGUA.—A 1 pound value is promised for issue on June 1st. It is in current portrait and badge type, in orthodox purple and black on red paper. —*Stamp Collecting.*

AUSTRALIA.—The Metropolitan Stamp Co. advise us of the appearance of the ultramarine stamp in the current King George type.

BRITISH GUIANA.—Mr. R. Roberts reports the 4c stamp with script watermark.

CEYLON.—Mr. R. Roberts sends copies of the 3c green and 15c blue, on script watermarked paper.

FEDERATED MALAY STATES.—The 3c purple on new yellow paper and the orange, both on script watermarked paper have been issued. Mr. R. Roberts and the Metropolitan Stamp Co. sent copies for chronicle.

FRENCH LEVANT.—The *Bulletin Mensuel* announce the 10c green stamp of France overprinted "1 PIASTRE 2 PARAS" in two lines.

GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS.—The Metropolitan Stamp Co. report the 2d current stamp printed on script watermarked paper.

GRENADA.—The Metropolitan Stamp Co. have shown us the following stamps with script watermark recently placed on sale in this colony: 1d brown, 2½d red and 2½d grey.

INDO-CHINA.—The horrifying news reaches us that separate issues of stamps are to be created for each of the provinces of this Colony, viz. Tonkin, Cochin China, Cambodge, Annam, and Laos. The "Journal Officiel de l'Indo-Chine Française," dated March 8th, contains no less than eight pages of decrees,

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ting to this eventful development. he stamps are not to be mere pro- onals, for a competition has been ed for symbolical designs suitable reproduction for postage stamp pur- s. French and Asiatic artists are ble to compete and the competition close on July 1st next.

is believed that there will be three gns for each series of postage ps and two for each set of Postage s. Preference is to be given to de- s representative of agriculture, com- e, industry, or public works, fanci- female portraits and so on being ex- ed.—*Stamp Collecting.*

ALIAN COLONIES.—*Il Corriere Fila-* reports that the enormous quantity ight million stamps of the general for Italy (value or values not d) have been erroneously over- ed SOMALIA. They are not re- ed there and, to obviate waste, are *additionally* overprinted for Eritrea. *stage Stamp.*

EWARD ISLANDS.—Mr. R. Roberts rts the 2sh stamp on script water- ed paper.

EW ZEALAND.—The appended cutting a recent N. Z. newspaper (for h we have to thank Mr. E. C. Wilt-) evidently refers to the surcharged tory" provisional:—

he discontinuance of the halfpenny ge rate on newspapers in New nd has left the Postal Department a surplus supply of stamps of this mination. These have been over- ed in red and made to serve as two- y stamps. This step should be of est not only to philatelists, but to who are interested in examples of Government's efforts at economy."

an interesting letter, dated Auck- March 22nd, 1922, Mr. D. L. ne, whose home is at Wallerawang, W. writes:—

he officials at the post office here in- ed me that their stock, sent from ington, was £10,000 worth, so if a sponding lot was sent to the other cities there should be no scarcity is stamp.

hey also informed me that the half- y of the Victory set was the only mination called in, but that the pence, sixpence, and shilling values all sold out except at some of the er offices. The penny and penny enny values are still obtainable at uckland G. P. O. and at a number her offices, I understand.

hen using one of the slot machines I was surprised to get penny s of Gibbons' NZ type 46, perf. ; the usual stamp in these ma- is type 51. I presume some mistake was made and the earlier Universal type put in instead of the later."—*Stamp Collecting.*

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NICARAGUA.—The Metropolitan Stamp Co. submit the following new colors of the 1914 design: 1c plum, 15c brown, and 20c yellow brown.

POLAND.—Our Special Correspondent at Lodz, Mr. H. Berowicz, sends a warning that the "brand new series of postage stamps with inscription 'Na Skarb Narodowy na zakub zlota 1 srebra', chronicled in *Stamp Collecting* three weeks ago, is *absolutely bogus,* not having been issued or authorized by the Polish Government. This is the second time during recent months that bogus Polish "stamps" have been circulated, the previous examples being the so-called "Pro Juventute" labels of Poland, which were designed and put on the market by some unscrupulous person in Vienna.

Will all dealers and collectors please note this warning?—*Stamp Collecting.*

ST. KITTS-NEVIS.—Mr. R. Roberts and the Metropolitan Stamp Co. advises us of the 2½d Peace stamp on script watermarked paper.

SYRIA.—From Messrs. Yvert and Tellier we have news of the new series of Aerial Mail provisionals, comprising the denominations of 2, 3, 5, and 10 piastres, surcharged in the following type:—

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ZANZIBAR.—Mr. R. Roberts informs us of the following new items for this country: 3c orange, 6c purple on blue, 12c red, 20c deep blue, all on script watermarked paper. Also the 10c green on new yellow paper and 8c purple on the same with multiple CA watermark. The 4c yellow green has already been issued on the new watermarked paper.

MATSUMURO MUSHO WRITES ABOUT COLLECTORS IN GENERAL.

Hon. Editor *Phila. Stamp News,*
(Who are most intelligently wise.)
Hon. Sir:—

Little Jap Boy are commencing to begin to wonder where Hon. Summer Wages have went to, for Hon. Jack Frost are here.

Minora Obata who are not muchly acquainted with Hon. Philately makes me this Hon. Question ask: Who was first Hon. Collector?

"Oh!", I remark with slight wink, "that are muchly easy. As nearly as little Jap Boy remember Hon. Adam was first Hon. Collector."

"What mostly did Hon. Adam collect?" he ask.

"Hon. Adam was some General Collector," I remark. He collect everything from a to z."

"And Hon. Eve," I continue, "who are come from one spare rib have most fine collection of Hon. Original Covers. Hon. Adam he get jealous and raise muchly Cain, but he wasn't Abel to stop Hon. Eve from making sending for Hon. Scott's Cat at 50c per. Hon. Adam collect Hon. Stamps for 130 years which are some time," I remark.

"Yes it are," say Minora Obata.

"Who was next Hon. Collector?" ask Mr. Obata. (Who are getting muchly interest.)

"The next Most Hon. Collector was Hon. Noah," I remark. "Hon. Noah collect some 600 years by the clock. He was an Hon. Specialist for he collect muchly in pairs, and have one fine complete collection. But little Jap Boy are sorry to hear it. Hon. Noah strain his eyes on 601st birthday looking for Hon. Watermarks so he bust up his Hon. Collection. Little Jap Boy no can tell if Hon. Noah sell Hon. Collection by Auction or to Hon. Stanley Gibbons who are the Power of Broadway.

But little Jap Boy do know, that many Hon. Collectors have follow Hon. Noah's feetsteps. Which are no fat woman's dream.

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ARRANGEMENT OF STAMPS.

By L. H. BRIGHAM.

The arrangement of one's stamps is a great deal like one's dress, purely a matter of individual taste. One of the chief appeals that stamps have for the ordinary individual is their great beauty, color, and shape. This can be increased tenfold by proper and careful arrangement.

If the young collector houses his collection in one of the several varieties of junior albums, special arrangement is impossible owing to the fact that the space allotted to the various countries is altogether too limited. If the standard printed album is used, here again one is prevented from indulging in neat arrangement because of the fact that each space on a page is reserved for a special stamp and the issues follow along in consecutive order according to the date of issue.

For really artistic arrangement the loose-page album is the only thing. Some collectors are of the opinion that only specialists or the advanced collector can use the loose-leaf, blank-page album to advantage. The writer has seen small junior collections made up of complete sets of very cheap stamps which were mounted up in books of this style and which most certainly were a work of art and a joy to gaze upon. Many a non-collector of stamps has had his interest in the subject awakened simply by having sensed the possibilities open for beautiful arrangement after having seen some such simple display as mentioned above.

If one cannot afford to buy one of the many styles of blank-page albums now on the market, a very serviceable album can be made up by using either a spring back or ring binder filled with plain quadruled sheets varying in size from 6x10 to 8½ or 9x11½ or 12 inches. The quadruled ruling, outside of making a splendid background for mounting the stamps, greatly aids in spacing them equal distances apart by simply counting off either so many whole squares or so many squares and a half.

The appearance of one of these pages is greatly enhanced if one is handy with the ruling pen, or, for that matter, even common pen and ink. Plain, attractive borders can be drawn around the outside edges of the page and about each stamp or row of stamps, which in every instance will very plainly set them off and add greatly to the general attractiveness of the page.

The number of stamps in a set varies, as also do the individual sizes of the stamps. The general tendency among the new issues seems to be to have either all of the lower denominations small in size and the higher values larger, or all of the stamps large in size.—*The Haversack.*

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337	unused 2c carmine Prs. and Blks. same rate.	.06	.04
337A	unused 2c carmine Prs. and Blks. same rate.	.10	.05
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and four 100 francs each—but none of their designs were utilised.

Having decided on the designs a Royal decree was promulgated announcing that "special postage stamps shall be issued during the International Exhibition to be held at Brussels in 1897" and this was followed by the usual ministerial circular, viz.:—

"Pursuant to the Royal Decree dated October 2, 1896, concerning the issue of special postage stamps during the International Exhibition to be held at Brussels in 1897:—

DECREES:—

Art. 1.—The above-mentioned postage stamps will be inscribed BRUXELLES 1897 BRUSSEL and POSTES—POSTERIJEN. A label will also be attached to them, which will be inscribed NE PAS LIVRER LE DIMANCHE—NIET BESTELLEN OP ZONDAG, and which is intended to be used according to the terms of the first article of our decree dated May 15, 1893.

Art. 2.—The values and colors of the stamps will be as follows:—

5 centimes, violet.
10 centimes, brown.

Art. 3.—The 10 centimes stamps will be issued on October 15, 1896, and the 5 centimes on November 15 next.

BRUSSELS, October 5, 1896.

(Signed) J. VANDENPEEREBOOM."

The dies for both stamps were engraved by Mr. E. Mouchon, of Paris. The design of the 10 centimes, which was the first value to appear, represents, in the foreground, St. Michael the patron saint of Brussels, overcoming the Dragon or His Satanic Majesty. In the background is a perspective of the principal monuments of the capital. Those at the left being the city hall and its tower, then the column of the Congress house, and to the right the Palace of Justice with its fine dome. At the top is "BRUXELLES — BRUSSEL" in fancy letters on an equally fancy tablet, to the right of which is the date 1897, from which hangs a seal containing the Belgian lion. The value is on a prominent disc at lower left and across the bottom is "POSTES—POSTERIJEN". The latter word was apparently spelled "POSTERUEN" and the engraver cut a space out of the left side of the U and thus converted the letter into a rough resemblance of "IJ". Much sarcastic comment was made of this design, one critic asking the name of "the lady in the coalscuttle bonnet and divided skirt" engaged in prodding the gentle-looking individual on the ground.

The 5 centimes value depicts the same episode only in this case St. Michael is shown in a suit of armor trampling on a much defeated dragon. The treatment is entirely different, and though the stamp was not greeted with much enthusiasm, the meaning of the allegory is much more apparent than in the case of the 10c.

The usual Sunday label is attached to both designs, the lettering of the inscriptions on the 5c being in Gothic characters.

The dies are said to have been engraved on wood and the plates represented an entirely new departure for Belgian stamps, for they contained 25 subjects only—five horizontal rows of five. This was probably on account of the unusual size of stamps, making it necessary to perforate them on a special machine. The perforation has the usual guage of 14, and the stamps were on unwatermarked paper.

The color first used for the 10c was purple-brown, and the ink was of aniline composition. This was found to be extremely susceptible to atmospheric influences of when exposed to dampness the color had a bad habit of penetrating any other paper, sometimes to the extent of several thicknesses, near it. Consequently the number of shades is infinite and it is almost impossible to say what was the chosen color. Most collectors have suffered from this stamp discoloring album pages, and other stamps near it. A philatelist, with experimental leanings asserts that if these stamps are dipped into a solution made of 25 grammes of shellac dissolved in 100 grammes of pure alcohol, the aniline die will be "set" and will not then pass on some of its color to other stamps that happen to be near it in a collection.

The attention of the Administration being called to this stamp's shortcomings its color was changed, as shown by the following Special Order:—

"The brown color used for the 2 centimes postage stamp has been adopted for the 10 centimes inscribed BRUXELLES, 1897. Since January 11th the stamp Department has been issuing postage stamps inscribed BRUXELLES, 1897 in the new color, but none of these must be sold at any post-office, until the existing stock on hand of the same stamp in the old color has been disposed of."

The color of the 5 centimes varies hardly at all and there was probably but one printing of this denomination. According to Mr. de Bont the numbers printed were as follows:—

	No. Stamps
5 centimes, deep violet,	6,406,80
10 centimes, purple-brown,	5,493,00
10 centimes, brown,	1,814,00

A minor variety of the 5 centi worthy of mention has a short dash stead of a dot over the "i" of "Niet the Sunday label. This occurred on of the stamps in all the sheets.

These stamps have been reported existing imperforate. Mr. de Bont s that these varieties were never on sal a post-office, but that a few were p sented to certain officials as souvenirs the issue.

The sale of these stamps ceased December 31, 1897, and though t ceased to be valid after that date, public had the privilege of exchang any they might have for regular 5c 10c stamps.

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5 centimes, deep violet.
10 centimes, purple-brown.
10 centimes, brown.

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It is our desire to publish in due season a supplement to the Dictionary and it is no doubt probable that by Jan. 1, 1923, there will be sufficient new material to make such a supplement desirable. Without doubt the eyes of keen philatelists will discover many old items that should have been covered. For instance, new history has been made on the Boscawen local, and the definition given in the Dictionary may well be revised. Again, it would have been a good plan to have inserted the meaning of "A29" and similar cancellations on British stamps used abroad. A29 was used in Bath, Jamaica, and a comprehensive dictionary might well include such items.

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CHAPTER XVIII.

Some Color Changes.

Late in 1898, there was a revision some of the inland postal rates, c of which was that after the initial minimum charge of 10 centimes m weight was carried for each additio 10c than had hitherto been the case. the following year the Postal Congr met at Washington, and the differ countries belonging to the Univer Postal Union agreed to use unifo colors for the denominations corresp ing to 5, 10 and 25 centimes. This m a change of color for the then current centimes Belgian stamp, and on Janu 1, 1900, it appeared in the proper P Union color of carmine. During the f years this value was current, many pri ings were made, according Mr. de Bont, a total of 486,000,000 stam

As the new color for the 10 centim was deemed likely to lead to confus with the 1 franc, it was decided to is the higher denomination in orange, a while changes were the order of the the tinted paper hitherto used for two franc denomination was dispen with. A Decree was published annou ing the change as follows:—

"The Minister of Railways, Po and Telegraphs

DECREES:—

The 1 and 2 francs postage stam shall in future be printed on white toned paper, in orange and lilac resp tively. Brussels, March 31, 1900.

(Signed) J. LIEBAERT."

Mr. de Bont says there were f printings of the 1 franc producing total of 270,000 stamps, and three of two francs with a total of 140,000 stam

REFERENCE LIST.

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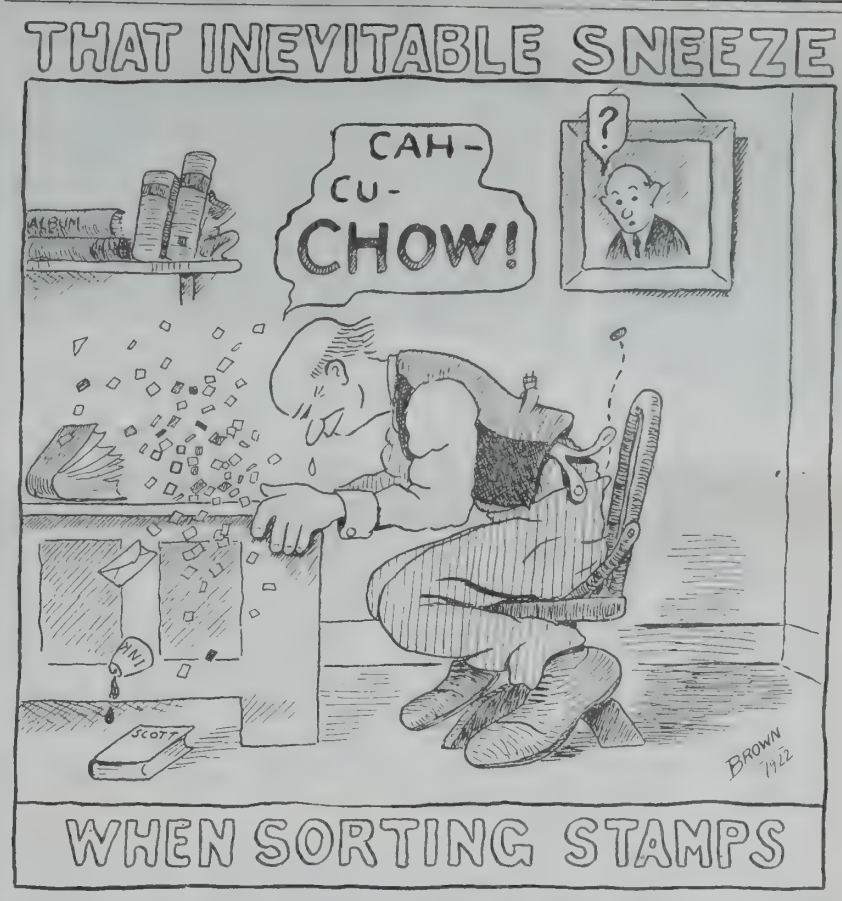
I must admit that the surroundings were quite unfamiliar, if entirely congenial. My work as assistant professor of psychology at Corinthian University, an institution not so well known perhaps, as it should be, and somewhat circumscribed in its activities for lack of adequate funds, had kept me withdrawn to a great extent from mixed society and from scenes of gayety. A slight feeling of regret over the rather prosy life I had been living hitherto, and a like feeling, not akin to a yearning, filled my mind as I realized that while one of the crowd here assembled I was not, in a sense, a part of it.



My reverie, or fit of introspection, was interrupted suddenly by the remark of a man sitting beside me, evidently addressed to myself.

"They are all having a pretty swell time of it today, aren't they?"

The speaker was a good-looking young fellow, and of apparent breeding and social position, so I momentarily decided that a brief conversation between us might be somewhat diverting.

As our talk continued he indulged in various confidences.

"That red-haired little fairy in the green bathing suit is the daughter of old Judge Harrison, of Belmont," he said. "He is one of the smartest men in the state. It's a funny thing, but he has one particular hobby he is daffy over. He's a postage stamp collector; has one of the finest collections in the country. Mostly old varieties, I understand. I suppose he's spent a fortune on old stamps. Why, they say—"

I did not catch the entire burden of his remarks, for at the moment I was struck forcibly by a rubber ball, which knocked my straw hat from my head and over into the sand. I climbed over the rail of the pavilion to recover my headpiece, no little disturbed by the accident, which focused many eyes upon me.

Turning about, I saw before me a young woman, none other than the "red-haired little fairy," — the description being in the terms of my young man acquaintance, although I must admit it to have been apropos.

"I'm so sorry to have made such a wild throw," she said, and the expression of her countenance, and the contrite tone, banished all petulance from my mood.

"It was but an accident, a trifling one, I assure you, I pray you to forget it, Miss—Miss Harrison."

Her face expressed curiosity, if I have my psychology mastered. As she returned to her game of ball upon the beach I saw her conversing briefly with another young lady. They both glanced in my direction and the glances of the second young woman seemed to indicate displeasure. I was not conscious of giving offense. To have offended the "little fairy" would have pained me, indeed. I now saw the analogy in the fairy-like movements of her limbs as she entered wholeheartedly into the tossing and catching of the ball. Already, I presumed, she had forgotten me entirely.

"I was saying that old Judge Harrison is an inveterate stamp collector," resumed my young man acquaintance, as I reseated myself beside him. "They say he

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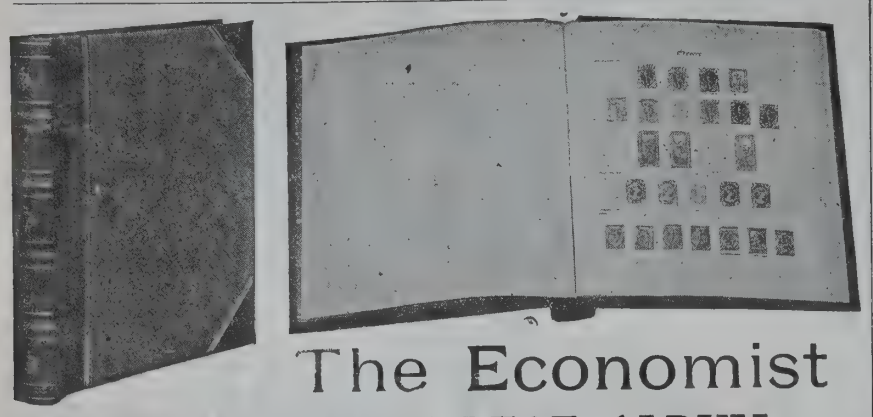

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I proceeded no further, as the young man had risen unceremoniously from his chair and had placed his hand upon my shoulder.

"Hawaii, did you say?" he eagerly queried. "And did he ever have any of those old missionary postage stamps? They are worth fortunes, and, what's more, that's the very country old Judge Harrison is most interested in."

I never allow myself to become excited, or, at any rate, to display warmth or urgency of feeling. My mind, however, was in a strange state of exaltation.

Concealing my thoughts, I spoke, with assumed nonchalance.

"Will you kindly advise me, Mr. Salters," for that was the name he had given as his own, whether you enjoy the acquaintance of this young lady, Miss Harrison?"

"Sure thing," he replied. "We live in the same block."

"In that case," I persisted, "would you introduce me to her. I assure you I am what I purport to be, a man of some education, of good habits, not schooled in social rules and formalities, it is true, but nevertheless a gentleman."

"I can tell that from the cut of your talk," he responded. "I'll be happy to make you acquainted."

It was with no little feeling of trepidation that I approached Miss Harrison and the group about her. When a formal introduction was over, I spoke as follows, or in words which approximate these:

"Miss Harrison, my grandfather was a missionary. The mere fact may not interest you, but when I elucidate you will find my story relates, though indirectly, to yourself."

My ears seemed to detect suppressed laughter near us. Miss Harrison was blushing. That I should be placing her in any sort of embarrassing predicament was most distressing to myself.

"Can we not walk a little apart from the others?" I queried.

She assented, and in that walk I told her of my grandfather's struggles as a missionary, of my father's career in mercantile life, of my own work as a college teacher. In the end I informed her that I had some of the early Hawaiian postage stamps and that these I should be pleased to turn over to her father. I begged permission to wait upon him at his home.

That was our first walk together, but not our last. Hortense, for that is her beautiful name, is now my wife. Few things, outside the society of my wife, please me more than the company of my father-in-law. He talks most volubly of cancellations, blocks of four, and other matters in which he takes deep interest. I fear I cannot always share his enthusiasm over stamps, but when he speaks of "first issues," then, indeed, his talk stirs my soul into reverie.

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By HARRY E. HUBER.

Just as the British Virgin Islands were late in bringing out their King Edward series of stamps, issued on June 1st, 1904, so there was delay in connection with their King George series, which did not make appearance until February, 1913. The new series of stamps was advised by the Federal Executive Council of the Leeward Islands, but no formal Order in Council was made.

The design of the new series is the same as that of the series it replaced, being printed from De La Rue's "Postage & Revenue" keyplate, in the 1888 design (originally containing the head of Queen Victoria, but subsequently altered in 1901 and 1911, on the accession of King Edward VII, and King George V, respectively). Two keyplates were made up in this design, with the head of King George V, one producing sheets of 120 stamps (2 panes of 60 stamps), and the other sheets of 240 stamps (4 panes of 60 stamps), both being numbered 1. For the stamps of the British Virgin Islands, the latter plate was used, i. e., producing sheets of 240 stamps, 4 panes of 60 stamps (10 horizontal rows of 6), separated by a plain gutter, with plate number 1 over the 2nd and 5th stamps of the first horizontal row of the upper left and right panes, and under the corresponding stamps in the lower row of the lower left and right panes. In other words, the lower margin of the two upper panes was without plate number marking, and similarly, the upper margin of the two lower panes. Surrounding each pane is a marginal line, not continuous as for the King Edward series, but broken at each line of perforation, to overcome trouble at press from air pressure in inking.

Before the overprint plate impression was added, these sheets of 240 stamps were cut into Post Office sheets of 120, and for the British Virgin Islands, as for the Cayman Islands 1d, 4d and 6d issued in the same month (February 25, 1913, to be exact), only the lower halves were overprinted. Therefore, plate 1 appears only in the lower margin, under the 2nd and 5th stamps in the lower row of the left and right panes respectively.

The series consists of nine values, as for the previous series, and the same duty plates were used. On all values the name of the Presidency is in colored letters; on the 2d, 3d, 1s and 2s6d the figures and letters of the value tablet are in color enclosed in a thin hexagonal frame, while on the other values, they are colorless on a solid ground of color.

The stamps were printed on mulitiple Crown CA watermarked paper (chalk surfaced for 3d and above), in colors agreeing with the Crown Agents' color scheme. The perforation is comb 14 for all values.

The revenue for the Presidency for 1913-14 (£7335), greatly exceeded that for the previous year (£4795), and was occasioned, as the Commissioner explained in his annual report, by the abnormal sales of postage stamps of the new series, to collectors and dealers, and also to the bringing forward of cotton sales belonging to the previous year. However, in the following year, 1914-15, there was a marked decline, when the revenue fell to £4905, occasioned by smaller sales of postage stamps, and to the confiscation of cotton held at Hamburg at the outbreak of the war.

In January, 1916, the ½d exhausted, and a new printing in blue green was received in the following August. In the interim, the ½d Leeward Islands stamp was used exclusively for this value.

February, 1913.—King George, Postage & Revenue watermarked multiple Crown CA, comb perf. 14. Plate 1 (2 lower panes from 240 plate).
½d green.
a. ½d blue green (Aug. 1916).
1d red.
2d gray.
2½d ultramarine.
3d violet on yellow (C).
6d dull violet and red violet (C).
1s black on green (C).
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October, 1917.—Plate 5.
1d dull scarlet.

½d and 1d Plate 6, 1919.

Plate 5 becoming worn, it was replaced by plate 6, also 120-stamp plate, producing sheets with four controls, in the same positions as for plate 5. The stamps of this consignment, received in March, 1919, are quite different in shade to those of previous printings.

March, 1919.—Plate 6.
½d blue green and deep green.
1d carmine red.

½d Plate 8, 1920.

In March, 1920, another printing of ½d stamps was received, this time from plate 8, which also produced sheets of 120 stamps, with the plate number appearing four times to the sheet, in the usual positions.

March, 1920.—Plate 8.
½d deep green.

½d and 1d, Plate 10, Script Watermarked—1921.

The dandy roll used to manufacture the watermarked papers used for Colonial Postage and Revenue stamps, becoming worn, it was replaced early in 1920, by one "bearing an Imperial Crown and the letters CA (Crown Agents) in script capitals." At first only white and blue papers were made up with this new watermark, pending exhaustion of old stocks of the yellow, green and red papers.

The first stamps to be printed on white paper with the script watermark were the 1d and 2½d of Bermuda's first Legislative Tercentenary series, issued at Hamilton, on November 11, 1920; the new blue paper was first used for the 2s of Barbados' small Arms design series, issued at Bridgetown, on November 14, 1921.

The script lettering of the watermark is similar to that introduced in 1912 for the Georgian stamps of Great Britain, while the Victorian Tudor Crown gives way to the Edwardian Imperial Crown.

In June, 1921, the Crown Agents announced that supplies of ½d and 1d for the British Virgin Islands, were being printed on the new watermarked paper, from plate 10—plate 8 having been condemned and destroyed in 1920.

During the summer of 1921, these stamps on the script watermarked paper were released to London stamp dealers by the Crown Agents, but the stamps did not reach Tortola until November, and were issued on the 18th of that month. The requisition was not a large one "and dealers' requirements to the extent of one half the requisition have already been received through the Crown Agents". (Aug. 29, 1921.)

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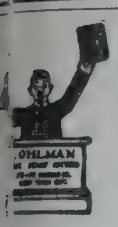

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Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited, as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—E. Paimann, 25 W. 42 St., N. Y. City, would like to know the present whereabouts of Charles Ninasky, formerly at 212 E. 22 St., Chicago Heights, Ill. He has moved and "left no address."

—A subscriber suggests that we publish a check list of script watermarks. In the incipient stages of the lives of these stamps we were able to do this and may attempt it again. The list has now become so extended as to consume a great deal of space. Possibly we can profit in the near future by the industry of some collector who is interested in these issues.

—Benj. Cadbury calls our attention to a story entitled "Strawberries and Stamps" in the *Youth's Companion* for June 22. The philatelic feature deals with the use of stamps for money in 1864.

—"I am the author of the Lockport stamp article, which has the place of honor in your this week's issue, and which was reprinted by you from the Buffalo *Evening News*. I feel complimented at your kind editorial remarks in reference to the article, and wish to say that I am one of your subscribers and a constant and appreciative reader, who finds your reading matter entertaining and enlightening and your advertising columns seductive. I read the ads over one by one and find them all tempting.—Charles H. Ball.

—The Alaskans want a memorial postage stamp to commemorate the visit of President Harding this summer. The probability is that they will get a postmark.

—The June number of *Linn's Stamp News* is a 16-page publication. Its reading matter is interesting but attention must be attracted to the fine line of stamp bargains crowded into its pages.

—Edwin Mooers sends for our inspection the 1c yellow perf. 8 sidewise coil new issue Canada.

—L. W. Prentice of Philadelphia sends us a detailed account of the doings of the stamp club connected with the Germantown High School of Philadelphia. We do not have the space to print these reports but recognize the splendid activities of this club, in which Mr. Prentice is a leading factor.

—The Precancel Club of America, organized one year ago, now boasting 125 members, is to hold its first annual convention at Denver, Colorado. The date, August 1, 2 and 3. For precancel collectors or others mildly interested, a good time is assured, by the Denver collectors.—V. W. Rotnem.

—James D. Havens has designed and the Gossip Print has printed a handsome philatelic gift card advertised elsewhere in this issue. A sample has been submitted for our inspection and we cordially recommend that the invitation to send for a sample be accepted.

—J. A. Smith, after reading the experiences of F. L. Applegate and others regarding mounting stamps, sends us a specimen of his style of mounting accompanied by the following description:—"Bend one-third of hinge down and attach this one-third to stamp slightly below perforation. Moisten lower half of the remaining two-thirds of hinge and attach to album page, at the same time centering stamp in ruled space. If it is required to see back, same can be done by drawing stamp toward bottom of page thereby making a crease in hinge just above where attached to page. Stamp can then be turned over on lower fold exposing back for examination. If this is not done too frequently, stamp will always lie flat to page, be correctly located in space, look neat, with no danger of damage to stamp."

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OUR BOOK REVIEW.

Some two weeks ago Mr. Ward, our Washington correspondent, reviewed at length the Stanley Gibbons Catalog, Part 2, American Edition. We hardly need to supplement what was written excepting to give editorial endorsement to a remarkably strong catalog.

Various countries have been revised or rewritten and this is especially true of the United States, France, Hayti and Sicily. The publishers pay a fine tribute to the philatelic literature of the United States and compliment Dr. Chase and Messrs. Ashbrook, Stevenson, Jacobs, Owen and Perry for their labors in research. The special attention given to United States stamps by the publishers of the catalog and their assurance that they are prepared to go still further in meeting the needs of U. S. specialists will be warmly appreciated.

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CHAPTER XIX.

The Last of the Leopold Stamps.

In 1901 there were rumours that an entirely new set of stamps bearing King Leopold's portrait were to be issued. One writer stated "The new type is quite different from that of the preceding issues. It is extremely simple, and is wanting in all the many details with which the designs of many of the later Belgian stamps have been overwhelmed. It is composed of a few clean-cut lines, and the King's portrait is very striking. New methods have been followed in making the die." Nothing more was heard of the matter until 1905, when it was decided to mark the seventy-fifth anniversary of Belgium's Independence by issuing a new series of stamps comprising values from 10 centimes to 2 francs.

A Royal decree was promulgated, authorising the "new designs bearing Our Portrait" and this was followed by a Ministerial decree given the colors and values it was proposed to issue, viz.:—

"Pursuant to the Royal Decree of March 25, 1905, ordering the issue of postage stamps of 10 centimes and upwards in new designs

DECREES:—

Art. 1.—The Postage stamps shall be provided with a detachable label inscribed "NE PAS LIVRER LE DIMANCHE—NIET BESTELLEN OP ZONDAG," the use of which is set forth in a Ministerial Decree dated May 15, 1893.

Art. 2.—The values and colors of the said postage stamps will be as follows:—

10 centimes, carmine.
20 centimes, reseda.
25 centimes, blue.
35 centimes, red-brown.
50 centimes, grey.
1 franc, orange.
2 francs, lilac.

Art. 3.—The 20, 25 and 35 centimes stamps will be the first three values of the new set to be issued; they will be placed on sale on May 1st next.

BRUSSELS, April 15, 1905.

(Signed) J. LIEBAERT."

Other notices and orders to postmasters were published, pointing out that the old stamps were to continue in use until all stocks were exhausted, and that in the meantime the new ones were only to be given out when specially asked for. Furthermore, it was absolutely forbidden to sell any of the stamps in the new design until the official date of issue as set forth in the above quoted decree.

Later decrees fixed the dates of issue for the other denominations as follows:—

10 centimes,	June 1st, 1905.
50 centimes	July 21st, 1905.
1 franc,	July 21st, 1905.
2 francs,	July 21st, 1905.

The designs all show an excellent portrait of King Leopold II in military uniform, looking to left, on a ground of solid color. The portrait is the same for all values, but on the 25 centimes it is on a larger scale than on any of the others. On the 10c, 20c and 35c denominations, the portrait is on a circular medallion, while on the 50c, 1 and 2 francs it is within an upright rectangle. Each value has a distinctive frame, as shown in the accompanying illustrations, and on these, with the exception of the 25c, either oak or laurel leaves form the chief parts of the ornamentation.

The designs were all drawn by Mr. Henri Meunier and he also engraved the dies, his name being shown in minute capitals below the lower frame on each stamp. The Sunday label is now quite distinct from the stamps proper, the narrow space between design and label being entirely devoid of ornamentation. The two lines of inscription are merely enclosed by a thin frame line and the letters are thinner and slightly taller than before. There is, thus, more space between the frame lines at the sides and the lettering, and it will be noted that there are no periods at the ends of the two inscriptions.

The plates, presumably, were of the 300 format divided into six panes of fifty stamps each, as in the case of the preceding series.

The stamps were all surface printed, as usual, on white wove unwatermarked paper, and they were perforated by the 14 comb-machine.

The 25 centimes is known entirely imperforate.

There were quite a number of printings of most of the values, consequently variations in shade are to be found on all of them. New printings made in 1909 were all in considerably brighter tints than those previously issued.

REFERENCE LIST.

1905. Designed and engraved by Henri Meunier. No. Wmk. Perf. 14.

10 centimes, rose.
20 centimes, olive green.
25 centimes, ultramarine.
(a) Imperforate.
35 centimes, red-brown.
50 centimes, grey.
1 franc, orange.
2 francs, violet.

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e collecting of stamps used to be ognized hobby of Young America. e are a few collectors in Boydom but they are the exception, and he rule. But when Dad was a boy he "fellers" were busy at it, and ad albums. Dad and his mates busy most of the winter begging, g and—sometimes—buying stamps. when the automobile came in, when g pictures became common, when, ct the old went out and the new , stamp collecting became almost a rt to the boys.

w the New York Philatelic Society, sed of adults who take philately seriously, is going to try to revive terest of the youth of the country e sport of the Nineties. It is as is about its intentions as it is about hing else it does—and ponderous, and dull talk is going to scare the away from stamps. "Stamp colg is educational historical and of aphical importance," according to resident of this New York society. w, we submit, this is not the talk use enthusiasm among the young s. They are preached at, admonand charged to do this, that and ther. If they are to be re-interin stamps they must be approached different lines. Dad and his collected stamps, and got all the s as side lines. They collected for re joy of collecting. If the New collectors want to do something will really revive the interest in collecting, let them tell the boys fun of the hobby.

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BERMUDA POSTMARKS.

By BENEDICT PRIETH.

So many readers of your paper have been writing to me about Bermuda postmarks, that I simply cannot answer all of them, or even one-quarter of them. It therefore occurred to me that possibly you might be willing to publish a short article on this subject, thus enabling me to kill several thousand birds with one stone, as it were.

All told, there are 18 Post Offices in Bermuda and their names are as follows: Bailey's Bay, Devonshire North, Devonshire South, Flatts, Hamilton, Harrington Sound, Ireland Island, Mangrove Bay, Paget East, Paget West, St. George's, St. George's West, Somerset Bridge, Southampton East, Southampton West, The Crawl, Warwick East and Warwick West. I have enumerated them in alphabetical order, but when we consider the list from the standpoint of relative importance, it has to be arranged quite differently. Hamilton, being the capital of Bermuda, is quite naturally the most important town in the islands. St. George's comes next. It is the ancient capital and here lies the body of Sir John Somers, who first settled the islands and after whom they were formerly called Somers' Islands. St. George's is rapidly regaining some of its former importance, although it is very doubtful whether it will ever catch up with Hamilton, where most of the large hotels, shops and banks are located. After St. George's I would place Ireland Island, at the very mouth of Hamilton Harbor, or rather Grassy Bay, as that part of the harbor is called. Here is where the British Naval Station is located, and by reason of the large number of naval workers resident there and the constant arrival of British Naval vessels, the post office there does a very good business. After Ireland Island comes the two Pagets, then Mangrove Bay, Bailey's Bay, Somerset Bridge, the two Devonshires, the two Warwicks, the two Southamptons, Flatts, Harrington Sound, St. George's West and lastly, the Crawl.

I think I am safe in saying that I have handled upward of 1,000,000 used Bermuda stamps, and in my opinion the postmark of the Crawl is the scarcest of all. Of every 100 stamps about 75 bear the Hamilton postmark, 5 that of St. George's, and the rest scattering. I do not believe that more than one The Crawl postmark will be found among every 2-3,000 stamps examined.

The student of Bermuda postmarks will no doubt wish to collect the old numeral obliterations, but here is where I throw up my hands and admit myself stumped. All the light I can shed on this subject is that I have the numerals from 1 to 16, and the Hamilton postmark bore the number 1, and St. George's the number 2. Beyond these bare facts my knowledge does not extend, although I believe that Ireland Island was number 3. Perhaps some of your readers can supply the desired information. A complete set of the current postmarks of Bermuda adds very much to the interest of a collection of the stamps of these lovely islands, and while possibly of no great intrinsic worth, will give the patient collector much pleasure. Current low value issues can be bought very cheaply by the hundred, and no doubt duplicate postmarks can be readily exchanged with other interested collectors. I would advise the acquisition of current stamps on pieces of the envelope, as in this state the postmarks can be most easily made out.

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Aegis—The height of fame for philately has been reached in London during the past month and the newspapers of the world's metropolis do all honor to the occasion of the Exhibition of Rare Stamps held under the auspices of the Royal Philatelic Society on June 1st and June 2nd, at its rooms on Chandos Street. His Majesty, the King of England, visited the display and spent an hour inspecting the superb stamps; and moreover, he loaned from his collection selected copies of stamps of highest merit. The King's showing included fine things in Australian stamps with the inverted swan, four pence of the first issue of Western Australia and the four pence of the same issue with the word "Australia" in letters much smaller than ordinarily and of this stamp it is said that there is but one other copy extant. It is needless to say that the exhibition presented the classics in brave number and that to the confirmed philatelist, the showing was one that will never be forgotten. On the first day, only members of the society were allowed to examine the stamps but on the second day, it was open to all upon "presentation of a visiting card." We rejoice that King George's patronage of philately is an active one and that his interest in stamps is genuine.

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Abler—While on the other side, something is to be said about the programme of the Ninth Philatelic Congress of Great Britain that was held at Bath on June 19th to June 23rd, inclusive. The calendar is a decidedly attractive one and it makes an impression on us. Six papers are entered and the order of other business is definitely arranged. We notice that "Re-entries: their Occurrence, Characteristics, and Importance," will be illustrated with lantern slides. The interpolations, "music and light refreshments"; "adjournment for tea"; "evening dress," etc., lead to the belief that "congresses" of England are rather more formal than the conventions of America but on the count of earnest endeavor, recent conventions of our American Philatelic Society have set an enviable standard.

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Alarm—We have been deluged with Brisbane criticisms of philately as well as the "Inexplicable and Yet Undeniable" editorial from the New York *Times* of June 16: and we find that some of our correspondents are unduly exercised over these contradictions. Neither of the critics, able as they are in given lines, has the Samsonic strength to topple over the temple of philately. While many subjects glow under the Brisbane scrutiny and of the *Times'* man as well, their trenchant pens are dulled by philately. They have as much knowledge of philately as a blood-sweating behemoth has of Colley Cibber. Again, it is not unflattering that philately has grown to that estate where it attracts the attention of writers who write only on subjects that appeal supposedly to a considerable number of people. The fact is that as stamp collecting becomes more engrafted into the life of the times, the more critical will be the comments from some quarters upon it and its followers.

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Aside—Here is real life. We have received a clipping from Mr. G. B. Sloane telling how John Lester Andrew Gagnon, "prominent philatelist of Staten Island" has entered the *Evening World* freckles contest and that if he wins he "will invest his prize money in stamps." The *World* pauses in its mad pace to say: "Young John Gagnon, in other words, is a stamp collector. His home is at No. 73 York Avenue, Brighton, and he is eleven years old. 'I began my collection of stamps' John says, 'in July of last year and now have more than 1,500. Most of the countries and most of the subdivisions of the world are represented.' John says he got freckles without collecting. He thinks they're a kind of stamp." We hope John wins the $25; anyway, we shall send him a few stamps.

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Aided—We have received a number of letters on the problem of insurance on stamps that was propounded several weeks ago. There are a number of collectors who have had trouble in getting insurance on their albums. However, from Mr. B. K. Miller, Wild Rose, Waushara Co., Wisconsin, comes the definite statement: "On my United States collection, I carry a Lloyds (of London) policy for $45,000 against fire, theft and burglary in any situation. Rate 1% per annum."

Again—We have spoken of the dash of philately that was served by Aldous Huxley in his clever Chrome Yellow and now we have to record another reference to our pursuit in Mr. Huxley's "Socratic Dialogues of the Moment," in a recent number of *Vanity Fair*. Steatocephalus, a newspaper editor whose ambition is to make his *Daily Firelight* "so human" unbosoms himself to Evander, a man in the street, to the effect that newspaper readers seek to keep their minds occupied "while not subjecting them to the slightest strain or fatigue" or for the same reason that they go to the movies or hearken unto brass bands "or collect postage stamps." We have no quarrel with the grandson of the great Huxley for this observation; it is no mean fate to provide occupation for, let us say, a fairly inteiligent mind without causing brain-fag.

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Apply—Now that we are supposed to be in the off-season of philately, we believe that collectors should give thought to the formulating of plans for their progress during the coming season, which will be upon us almost before we know it. It may be remarked that many philatelists who are seriously engaged in their collections on the score of the investment of money have not adopted definite lines on which to build their collections. Finally, they will be driven into the proper channels while now they sail about at will but with no destination in mind. When decision may no longer be delayed, these collectors will find that they have on hand some little surplusage in the shape of stamps for disposal, as being outside their field of endeavor. It is best that the collector does not have many stamps to market as it takes patience and some time to sell miscellaneous lots of stamps with fair results. The wiser course to take is one that will keep the number rejected stamps at a minimum and in order to achieve this end, it is necessary to plan the scope of activity beforehand. There is now so great a wealth of material at hand and so many angles to collecting that some sort of system in collecting is highly advisable. At first when every philatelic prospect pleases, it is difficult to align ideas but the collector who early in his career decides upon his advance will find himself least encumbered for the long march.

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By E. G. YOUNG, Shanghai.

My last *communique* dealt with the Three-portrait commemorative set. All of the values were supplied in reasonable quantities, and it was possible to get about all you wanted, though at times there was a sharp shortage of one or other varieties, especially the one cent. It was amusing to go into the general post office and watch the scramble—I suppose that this issue brought out a lot of money hidden in socks (only that isn't the way they do it here—some day I shall tell you how!) as I saw rickshaw coolies buying them in sheets. The Hsuan Tung (Temple of Heaven) issue went the same way, with the result that sheets in mint condition may be bought at face and sometimes below, as, of course, the stamps are demonetized. I think the three-head set will be commoner ten years from now than it is today. The present price is double face, with used and unused equal in value. We also suffer from the fact that "cancelled by complacence" stamps are always present when used stamps are at a premium. It is no trouble at all to obtain special cancellation, and I have recently heard of a case of a subordinate P. O. setting its canceller date back to Nov. 11, 1921, (the date of issue) and "chopping" a lot of these stamps for a buyer.

This is true of the air-mail service. The air stamps were withdrawn about the middle of September, but an ever increasing crop of "air mail covers" appears. In most cases, the important fact is neglected that the cover must bear regular stamps to the full value of the postal service rendered in addition to the special air stamps. Real *bona-fide* covers are very difficult to find. Foreigners, in general, here lay the Chinese airmail "splurge" to the desire to obtain a lot of airplanes and trained flyers which would be useful for military operations, and the pressure of the sellers and others along the line of "peaceful purposes only" proved a great discouragement. As far as I can learn the history of the airmail was as follows:

Flights were begun (from Peking to Tsinanfu only—the service never reached Shanghai) July 1st.

Service suspended by notification July 10th.

Resumed July 18th.

Suspended August 5th.

Resumed again? (I do not think so.)

Finally suspended and stamps withdrawn Sept. 23.

The suspension notices in each case were issued after a day or two had elapsed without a flight, due to lack of equipment or machines out of repair. There should have been six flights a week, leaving the termini alternate days—in this way the maximum number of flights was about twenty-five; however, I doubt if half that number were actually made successfully. Mail carried on unsuccessful flights was forwarded by train, and arrived in Shanghai from eight to twenty days after mailing.

Speaking again of the three-portrait series, they received the usual Sinkiang Province (Chinese Turkestan) overprint. This is made necessary by the fact that Singkiang money is depreciated considerably, and this surcharging is the only way to prevent speculation. The Japanese methods are strongly suggested by this overprinting, as only two or three thousand of the ten cent were surcharged. These accordingly bring a price of two or three dollars today, while the other three bring about a dollar.

In the March 18th issue, Mr. Ward's ad—long life to him and his chronicle of U. S.—has an amusing misstatement of the conditions under which Shanghai on U. S. surcharges are sold. Now I read Mr. Ward's and Mr. Perry's ads with as much interest as the reading matter, and do not like to see misinformation go abroad. The Chinese dollar reaching a high point would simply by that much more enhance the profits on the sale of the stamps. The Chinese dollar reaching a *low* point is what takes the stamps off sale: for example, if a silver dollar were worth forty cents gold, the U. S. P. O. would be compelled to carry a letter from Shanghai to Washington or Portland for less than the U. S. letter rate. Hence, when the "Mex" dollar reaches 50c the stamps are taken off sale, and only unsurcharged stamps sold for United States money, which can be obtained at any exchange shop. So far, the history of the stamps is as follows:

On sale from date of issue (late in 1919) until about January 1, 1921.

Off sale until October first.

On sale till March 1, 1922.

Off sale about two weeks, and now on sale. The present value of the silver dollar is fifty-five cents and it is inclined to rise to a higher level due to the present political conditions,—so the stamps will remain on sale.

Personally I should think that the Shanghai stamps purchased in Washington would have exactly the same flavor as French Colonials from Paris. Probably the used stamps on the covers will far overtop the unused in value, and they surely deserve to. We are curious as to the change to be made in the surcharge, and wondering if it may mean a change to no surcharge at all, in view of the probable closing of the office soon. Recent improvements in the office itself do not point toward an early abolition, however.

We have had quite an auction season here, perhaps twenty sales have been held. There has been competition savoring of the cut-throat variety. Perhaps the most notable item sold has been a Mauritius, which I should place as No. 3d, and for which the only adjective is *wonderful*. It brought only Taels 234.—say $170 gold. This is not the biggest price of the season—one of the German Tientsin provisionals brought that. China old issues are in demand to such an extent that all recognized values are forgotten, fancy copies of the first issue bringing five or six times catalogue at times. The catalogue listing and values of early China are very inadequate.

One more matter. Singkiang surcharge (Scott 501, etc.) comes in two very distinct types, the first as illustrated in Scott, having been printed here in Shanghai, the latter at the Bureau of E. and P. in Peking. The Peking print is lighter, the bottom character is noticeably different, and the top character is in line with the rest. Also we have officials, perforated with four characters in all of the low values of both sets.

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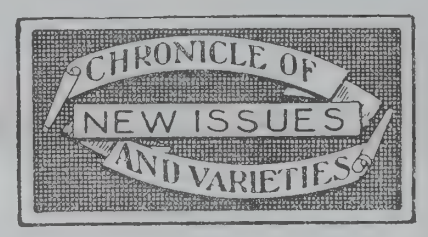

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UNITED STATES.—We note from the June issue of the *Scott Journal* that Dr. William Evans has located a new Confederate provisional, namely a 5c envelope issued in Norfolk. It is one of those varieties that it is difficult to establish due to the fact that it is made from the same figure "5" within a circle and "PAID" that was used by the postmaster in postmarking the letter which passed through his hands and was paid for in cash. This envelope however was one of several that had been put away at the time and were recently unearthed, and Dr. Evans states that they come from an undoubted source. The signature of the postmaster is on the back. Unfortunately all but this one were thrown in the fire before their value was realized.

The same number of the *Journal* calls attention to the fact that the Scott Company will issue a specialized catalogue of the stamps of the United States provided there is a sufficient demand for it. Now that Gibbons has issued one dealing extensively with our early issues it certainly is to be hoped that Scott will follow with one covering all of our emissions to date. If you receive the *Journal* do not delay in sending the postal telling them as to your desires. They contemplate listing all dies, shifts, varieties, blocks, cancellations, etc., something never attempted before. Such a list will add much interest to the subject and will increase the number of specialists of our issues.

Mr. H. Clay Reed has recently shown me a new provisional 2c on 3c envelope from Philadelphia and Mr. George P. Smith has found quite a few unchronicled varieties from other cities.

1920-21, 2c on 3c Provisional Envelopes.

Columbus Overprint.
Die A on blue, Size 5, Wmk. 19, L. B.
Die A on white, Size 13, Wmk. 19, L. B.
Die F on white, Size 13, Wmk. 19, L. B.

Philadelphia Overprint.
Die A on amber, Size 7, Wmk. 20, H. B.
Die A on white, Size 11, Wmk. 19, H. B. Ex. Q.
Die H on white, Size 19, Wmk. 19, H. B. Ex. Q.

Pittsburgh Overprint.
Die A on amber, Size 5, Wmk. 20, L. B.

St. Paul Overprint.
Die H on amber, Size 13, Wmk. 19, H. B.

Mr. Edgar L. Green has shown me a copy of the City Despatch Local 1c black on a thick bluish paper. The stamp is on a very small piece of orange cover. The variety has not been noted before and little is known of the history of this copy. It has all of the ear marks however of the real thing.

We wish to thank Messrs. M. S. Ryan, E. H. West and F. B. McGown for notes of interest.

AUSTRALIA.—Mr. R. Roberts reports the following values of the postage due set on narrow crown watermarked paper perf. 14: 1d, 2d, 3d and 4d all in carmine and pale yellow green.

CANADA.—Mr. Ralph H. Dawson submits copies of the 1c in orange color and 2c in green color and advises they were put on sale at the P. O. in Montreal the 23rd inst.

Mr. W. W. Randall also kindly favors us with copies of each.

DOMINICA.—Mr. R. Roberts submits for chronicle the 2sh purple and blue on blue script watermarked paper.

GOLD COAST.—Mr. R. Roberts informs us of the appearance of a 2½d orange on script watermarked paper in panes of 60. Also a 1d brown on the same paper in sheets of 240.

GUATEMALA.—Mr. Alfonso Bravo advises of the appearance of the $5 stamp of the 1921 issue surcharged "25 Centavos" in two lines in black. Mr. Bravo also adds that he has received the $3 value of the 1919 issue overprinted in like manner in red, the surcharge being a trifle larger than that of the $5.

INDIA.—Mr. R. Roberts shows us a copy of the ½a current type stamp surcharged ¼ in black.

NEW HEBRIDES.—The same journal is responsible for the following:—"As is usual with stamps withdrawn for destruction, a few of the inverted surcharges appear to have leaked out. We recently saw a vertical stamp of three 1d. on 5d, with surcharge inverted at the top of the stamp. We understand that only a portion of one sheet was 'saved.' In the sheet of the 10c on 50c of 1920, we have noticed one stamp in the bottom row shows 'CONDCIJINIUM', the 'o' and 'M' being broken."—*Stamp Collecting.*

RUSSIA *(Trans-Baikalian Government).*—Four new adhesives have been issued by the Chita Government, viz.:—

1 kop. orange.
3 kop. red.
7 kop. blue.
10 kop. blue and red.

The first three are in a uniform type, having the Arms enclosed by a laurel wreath, surmounting a double post-horn, and inscription "UOYTOBAR MAPKA" in Russian characters at the top. The design of the fourth stamp is practically the same. All four are imperf.—*Stamp Collecting.*

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—Mr. R. Roberts sends us the following new issues: 1c blk., 2c green and 4c rose on script watermarked paper. Also the 5c orange, 10c ultramarine and $1 black and carmine on blue on the same style paper.

VIRGIN ISLANDS.—Mr. R. Roberts shows us a new set of stamps for this colony in a combined type with the head of the King in the upper left corner and the likeness of a virgin with a series of lamps around her. The name of the colony is at the base and the value in the upper right corner. The values and colors are as follows:

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OUR OFFER OF FOREIGN EXCHANG

We have been overwhelmed copies of the April 22 issue whic advertised for and for which we of foreign exchanges. It will be A 1 before we can furnish all the p required. To all our friends we "Be not discouraged" for we shall good in due season. The trouble in the fact that foreign exchange not over-plentiful..

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CHAPTER XX.

The 1907 Issue.

907 the three low values in the ype were issued in modified form. ke them more uniform with the denominations, the ornamental between the Sunday label and the was removed as well as the orna- tion at the bottom of the label it- This had the effect of shortening tire design a trifle, and as the were spaced on the plates exact- same as before, so that the same erforating machine could be used. day label always appears to have ch white space below it.

lettering on the Sabbath label onds with that on the higher the type being much thinner and an that shown on the 1893 series. s says there are two types of all denominations, in one of which ce between the words "PAS LIV- is wider than on the other. We e two types of the 1c, and we find are several pronounced differ- all much easier to identify than iation in spacing above referred type I, the first and last letters line of the inscription are very the frame lines and there are after DIMANCHE, and ZON- espectively. The A of PAS is exactly over the T of NIET.

pe II, there is quite a wide space the ends of the inscriptions and frame lines, while there are no and the A of PAS is over the between the words NIET BE- EN. We have only type I of the 5c, but we presume the second rresponds to that of the 1c.

plates were made in exactly the rmat as the ones of the old de- d the stamps were printed on the ove unwatermarked paper. Two grades of paper were used, one ery thin and semi-transparent, e other is quite thick.

were a number of printings, arly of the 1 centime, so that de- ades of all three values may be

rous minor varieties in the shape en and malformed letters, espe- the inscriptions in the Sunday ay be found, but these are of terest to any but an advanced t.

ding to Mr. de Bont the 1c and placed on sale on October 1, 1907, 2 centimes, though printed at time, was not placed in circula- il some months later as there e a large supply of the old type ad to be used up first.

REFERENCE LIST.

1907. Preceding types with Sunday label re-drawn. No wmk. Perf. 14.

1 centime, grey.
2 centimes, red-brown.
5 centimes, green.

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Are jest as good—they will aver
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The hinges also get your goat,
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Some stick just like a weasel's coat,
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And some you hang your babies on
Hold up a while and then are gone;
It's not all roses now—I swan
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While as for plotting little schemes,
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The dealer has a few, meseems
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The stamp both used and unused too
The weak and torn ones—patched with glue
Of course we don't refer to you—
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Still I'll admit it's lots of fun
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A feller's never really done,
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He sometimes thinks he'll quit the game,
He's "off for good" he'll loudly claim
But one eye's open, just the same
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—*Phizzletelic Phizzle.*

HOW TO OBTAIN STAMPS.

By L. H. BRIGHAM.

A stamp collection does not grow very rapidly unless new stamps are continually being added to it. Where and how to obtain these stamps is often a puzzle to the young collector. Let us divide our young collector friends into three classes, as follows:

1. The collector who lives in the sparsely settled districts covered by the R. F. D. and who seldom comes in contact with other collectors or with any quantity of mail matter and who cannot afford to buy stamps.

2. The collectors who live in the cities and more thickly settled centers where manufacturing goes on and great numbers of business offices exist, but who, like the collectors in the first group, have little or no money to spend for stamps.

3. The more fortunate class of collectors who, regardless of where they live, are enabled to buy quite liberally of the stamps they desire.

It is easy to see that the collector belonging to class Number 1 has the most difficult job to get his collection to grow. Perhaps the following may help him: There is hardly an R. F. D. route in existence that has not a family or two on it who regularly receive mail from some foreign country or other. You may not know who these people are, but your mail carrier does, and if he is at all accommodating he will be more than glad to ask for some of the stamps for you. There are also a number of boys' papers having a circulation among some of the foreign English-speaking countries, principally the British colonies. Find out what some of these papers are and request the editor to supply you with the names of a few of the subscribers from the countries you are most interested in. These boys will be more than glad to correspond with you and to send you stamps of their native country. Your minister can also put you in touch with some missionary who is located in China, India, Japan, or elsewhere. If your family does business with any of the big mail order houses in this country, here is another source from which to obtain stamps.

The collector in the city or large manufacturing town has many opportunities to get all of the stamps he wants, provided he goes about it in the right way and is willing to put a little effort into the procuring of them. Your postmaster can furnish you with the names of the concerns receiving any quantity of foreign mail through his office. Many of these concerns have no use for the stamps which come on their mail and simply cast them into the waste basket. A polite request to the proper individual should obtain some of these stamps.

Banks and brokerage houses maintaining foreign departments for the convenience of their customers are also an excellent source from which to obtain stamps, as great quantities of foreign mail are received almost daily. Nearly every large mill and manufacturing plant employs some workers of foreign birth who have relatives or friends with whom they correspond in their native country. Sometimes a dozen or more nationalities will be found employed in the same concern. In all probability you are acquainted with some one working at some of these plants who would take the trouble to request some of these foreign workers to save some of the stamps they get for you. The home offices of the various foreign missionary societies also receive quantities of foreign mail. You should be able to obtain some of these stamps by getting in touch with the proper persons.

For the young collector who is able to buy the most of his stamps, collecting does not present any real difficulties. Every city of any size has a number of stamp dealers who keep all kinds of stamps from all over the world for sale, at prices depending entirely upon the stamps. One can buy packets containing hundreds of different varieties.

If you desire to buy most of your stamps and do not live reasonably near a dealer, many of the boys' magazines carry the advertisements of a dealer or two who will be glad to supply you. —*The Haversack.*

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335A	unused 2c carmine Prs. and Blks. same rate.	.10	.05
336	unused 2c carmine	.06	.04
336A	unused 2c carmine Prs. and Blks. same rate.	.10	.05
337	unused 2c carmine Prs. and Blks. same rate.	.06	.04
337A	unused 2c carmine Prs. and Blks. same rate.	.10	.05
338C	unused 1c green, pr. for	..	.20
339A	unused 2c carmine Prs. and Blks. same rate.	.06	.04
339B	unused 2c carm., strip of (2)	..	.25
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o	**Argentina** 1864-71, 10c (9) ...	110.00	42.50
x	1864-71, 5c (11)	6.00	3.00
*	1864-71, 15c (13) mint	13.50	6.75
o	1864-71, 5c (14)	10.00	4.00
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*	Official, 60c (363)	5.00	2.00
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o	1860, 4r (9)	20.00	8.00
o	1860, 2p (11)	25.00	12.00
*	**Azores** 1868, 20r (3)	10.00	4.00
*	1868, 80r (5)	12.50	5.00
*	1868, 20r (9)	5.00	2.00
*	1868, 120r (14)	7.50	3.00
*	1875, 150r (35)	10.00	4.00
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*	1895, 500r (91)	12.50	6.25
*	1895, 1000r (92)	10.00	5.00
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*	1861, 18kr (24)	20.00	7.00
o	1861, 30kr (25)	20.00	6.00
o	**Bahamas** 1861, 4d (3)	12.00	4.50
o	1861, 4d (6)	15.00	6.00
o	1861, 6d (8)	8.00	3.50
o	**Bangkok** 1883, 12c (20)	6.00	2.00
o	**Barbados** 1859, ½d (12)	12.50	4.00
*	**Bavaria** 1849, 1kr (1)	30.00	15.00
o	1849, 6kr Broken circle	7.50	4.00
*	1870-3, 12kr (29)	15.00	4.00
*	Dues, 3kr (401)	4.00	2.00
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*	3gr (9)	40.00	13.00
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*	2c on 4c (139a)	20.00	7.60
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o	Dues, 30c (976)	15.00	7.00
o	Dues, 5c (977)	20.00	9.00
o	Dues, 10c (978)	12.50	6.00
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(This very interesting article is taken from the Peking and Tientsin "Times" of May 24. It is sent us by George W. Twomey of the Tsing Hua College, Peking. We feel that it will be of wide interest.—W. O. W.)

Hongkong will have a good deal to do, this year, with carrying into effect one of the decisions of the Washington Conference,—the abolition of the foreign post offices in China. Great Britain, France, Japan and America are the four Powers which have such offices at the present time and they have agreed, in deference to the wishes of China, to give them up as from the end of 1922. A representative of the *Daily Press* gleaned some interesting information on this subject, yesterday, from Mr. S. B. C. Ross, the Postmaster General of Hongkong.

The Japanese have the large number of these offices—23—and the United States have only one—at Shanghai. Great Britain has ten; it has also Wei-hai-wei which is in a somewhat different case. Although it is run as an agency, that office is in British territory and not in China. The others are British administrations in a foreign country. Wei-hai-wei Post Office is run under the control of London Post Office. Taking them from south to north, the British postal agencies are at Hoihow, Canton Swatow, Amoy, Foochow, Shanghai; up the Yangtse, Ningpo, Hankow, Chefoo and Tientsin.

Part of Hongkong Post Office.

Up to 1910 British postal agencies in China were a part of the Hongkong Post Office but in that year they were transferred to London control; any profit made would then go to London, and any loss would be borne by London. At that time, on the charges made, losses were inevitable, and it was agreed that Hongkong ought not to have to bear expenses which were obviously an Imperial charge. Moreover, Hongkong did not make the treaty by which the postal agencies were established. The Great Powers wanted these arrangements made because, in those days, China had no organised system of posts—only a somewhat antiquated system of internal posts—and she did not belong to the Postal Union. Under the Treaty of Tientsin provision was made by which post offices could be opened at the consular agencies for consular and other mails.

China In The Postal Union.

In 1914, four years after Hongkong succeeded in throwing off its responsibility for the British postal agencies up and down China, that country joined the Postal Union and the Chinese Post Office became a fully-fledged organisation. It has, indeed, been singularly efficient, China owes her Post Office, like her Customs, to foreign initiative and management. The resolution passed at the Washington Conference stipulates that the Co-Director-General, Mr. H. Picard-Destelan, shall be retained and makes other stipulations to secure continuity in the Chinese Post Office when the foreign postal agencies cease to exist. As the Chinese Post Office is self-governing and makes its own financial arrangements, it is quite independent of the clash of North or South or of any of the warring sections in China; it is not affected, for example, by the present difficult situation. The Commissioner in each province is a foreigner.

As its Post Office is so exceedingly efficient, China naturally felt it an affront that these foreign post agencies should exist. The only other country in the world which has them is the Levant. Turkish posts are so notoriously inefficient that all the Powers, under the Capitulations, insisted on having postal agencies, and these are still in existence.

Levelling Up Postal Rates.

Before 1914, persons using British post offices in China were able to send letters to England at the British domestic rate; that is to say, a letter could be sent from Shanghai to London for four cents; whereas, to send a letter from a place just outside Shanghai [illegible] no British postal agency would cost 10 cents. When China joined the Post Union, however, British postal agencies could not undersell the Chinese Post Office in its own country and the foreign rate was raised to 10 cents in connection with the Chinese foreign rate. It now costs just the same, therefore, to send a letter to England from Shanghai whether it is entrusted to the British postal agency or to the Chinese Post Office.

In 1914, therefore, one of the few remaining advantages of the postal agencies was removed. When they are withdrawn at the end of the year, no one in China will have to pay more than they do at the present moment.

A Costly Postal Route.

The increased charges made at the postal agencies in 1914, when China joined the Postal Union, have had the effect of making the postal agencies pay. In other words, after bearing the burden of the lean years, Hongkong handed over the management to London only a few years before higher rates converted losses into profits. But then, it was not foreseen, in 1910, that China would be ready to join the Postal Union by 1914. Before that date, the postal agencies lost money on all the four cent mail and at that period there were very large mails going across Siberia—the most expensive postal route in the world.

For purposes of postal arrangements, by the way, China does not count as a "foreign" country to the British postal agencies in China. There is a special agreement, as there is between Canada and the United States and between China and Japan and as has been proposed between France and the United Kingdom, whereby each country communicates with its neighbour at the domestic rate.

In conducting the postal agencies in China, there is an important rule: one cannot allow people to post, at a British postal agency, letters addressed to a place in China where there is no British postal agency. If the postal agency accepted such a letter it would be receiving payment for a service which it could not perform. It would have to hand over the letter to the Chinese Post Office for delivery and the letter would get nothing for doing so. What is done in practice, when such letters find their way into a postal agency, is to put a ring around the stamp and hand the letter over to the Chinese Post Office, which delivers it and collects the usual fine for an unstamped letter. None of the Post Offices through which the letter passes defaces the stamp, which has no interest for them. The recipient is at

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It must not be supposed that a great number of imposing public buildings will be left derelict when the foreign postal agencies are given up. Practically the only permanent structure is at Shanghai and most of the postal agencies are conducted in one of the rooms of the Consulate, the Vice-Consul attending to the postal business as part of his ordinary duties. The change will simply mean that time and accommodation will be made available for other work.

Arrangements for Closing.

The only convenience that the British public will lose will be the post office order, otherwise known as the postal note, but as the Chinese Post Office has a money order arrangement with the United Kingdom, the deprivation will be of no consequence. Hongkong of course, will still retain the post office order.

At the end of the year, when the time for closing the British postal agencies draws near, no postal articles will be sent to the agencies after a date early enough to ensure that the packet will be delivered before December 31st. Articles will be sent from the agencies up to the last moment. All stores and stamps which cannot be disposed of locally will be sent to the Hongkong Post Office, which, by the way, still supplies the British agencies in China with stamps, although no longer financially responsible for them; and the Hongkong P.M.G. is responsible to London for their management and annual accounts. At the end of the year the Hongkong Post Office will be in the position of liquidator to the British postal agencies.

WILSON WHIFFS HIM OUT.

The Brisbane clipping goes to show that it is easy sometimes for a writer to speak authoritatively about something he doesn't know anything about at all. Brisbane, who has succeeded largely by following the style and material of Herbert Kaufman, and Samuel Smiles, (and by the way Kaufman wrote little if any that he did not get from Smiles), sometimes writes some very good stuff, mainly I think because he changes it so little from the original source of supply and Smiles about exhausted the subjects he wrote on. *But* whenever Brisbane attempts to cover a subject *a la* Samuel Smiles that Smiles himself did not cover he shows that the pupil is not equal to the master and makes himself just a trifle foolish to people who know. It's too bad, I think sometimes, that Samuel Smiles' books are not more generally circulated in these days and times because if they were more generally read Brisbane would have a hard time getting by at all.

Let us not blame Brisbane, however, too much. It's a trying job to have to look through several volumes or as much material as Smiles wrote trying to find out just what Smiles had to say about the subject and in the high-pressure rush of turning out so much a day for people who haven't time to think for themselves and have to have their stuff handed to them on a platter in predigested form, the editorial writer is apt to think from his former study of the Master that he can handle the subject pretty well himself and so when he slips we should perhaps pity rather than censure him. You recall the old sign over the Organ in the Western Church, "Don't shoot the Organist. He is doing the best he can." Possibly if we had to buy a set of Smiles and fill Brisbane's shoes for a while and write on all the possible subjects coming up every day we would slip more often than he, because to do him justice he sticks close to what he has learned o various subjects from people wh themselves know what they were v about, and his followers are su admiring bunch they swallow it line and sinker as he feeds it to for "it's in the Paper, isn't it?"

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PERMITS FOR MAILING WITHOUT STAMPS AFFIXED.

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AUTHOR'S NOTE.

The facts contained in the following history of the adoption and use of first class mail permits were obtained from manufacturers of permit making machines, users of permits, government employees and collectors interested. We have been requested to advise our readers not to communicate with postmasters, users of permits or manufacturers of permit printing devices. The Postal Laws and Regulations strictly forbid postmasters giving out names and addresses. Communications to postmasters are usually referred to the P. O. Dept. at Washington. Users of postage meters are among the largest concerns in the United States. They use this device to facilitate their work and it is too much to expect of them to be continually replying to letters from a class of people whose wishes they cannot seem to understand or appreciate. They are paying face value for these impressions and there is no more reason why they should send these out on requests than they would uncancelled postage stamps. On account of the fact that the writer is an officially elected officer of the International Postmark Society and chairman of the research committee, permission has been granted for him to obtain, as long as he is in office, certain facts connected with postal marking devices and their use as well as historical facts of importance relative to the postal service. New issues and additions to the check list will be published in the WEEKLY as often as seems necessary, providing we can retain the confidence of business men and officials. We ask the urgent co-operation of our readers in depending on this service in the WEEKLY and to report direct to the writer any corrections, omissions, new issues or any facts of importance relative to the service. Please address all mail on this subject to A. H. Pike, 80 Grant St., Buffalo, N. Y.

Third Class Mail.

On April 28, 1904, permit for mailing without stamps affixed was first allowed in the United States. The regulation form has changed very little since that date. Some of the early users neglected to include the name of the post office, but this was soon remedied and all postmasters refused to accept a mailing without the three features of this service indicated: the denomination of postage, place of mailing and the permit number. The first permit granted at each post office was numbered "1" and the rest were followed in numerical order. Although the P. O. Dept. order plainly stated that this information should be enclosed in a rectangular frame, many varieties can be found where the frame was omitted. It has been the custom of late years, when a permit has not been used for twelve months, it has been recalled and the permit number has been given to the next applicant. Since these permits were granted, considerable pressure has been brought to bear on the P. O. Dept. in order to persuade them to allow first class mail to be treated in the same way. It also encouraged inventors to experiment on machines, anticipating the time when this privilege would be granted.

Mr. A. H. Pitney.

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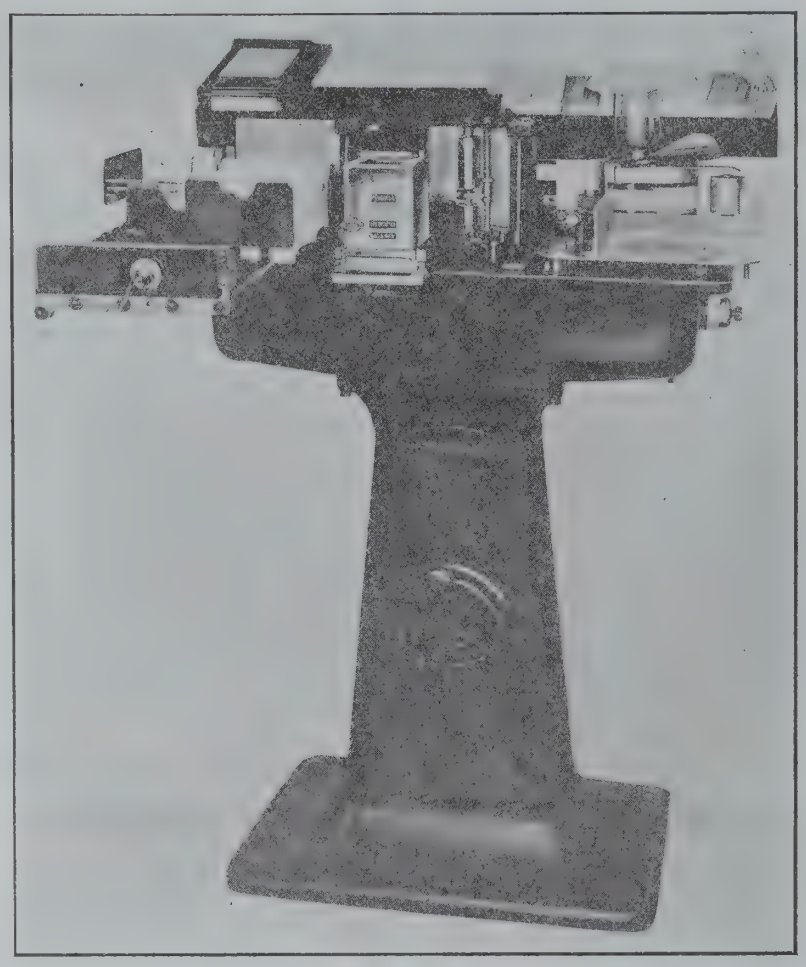

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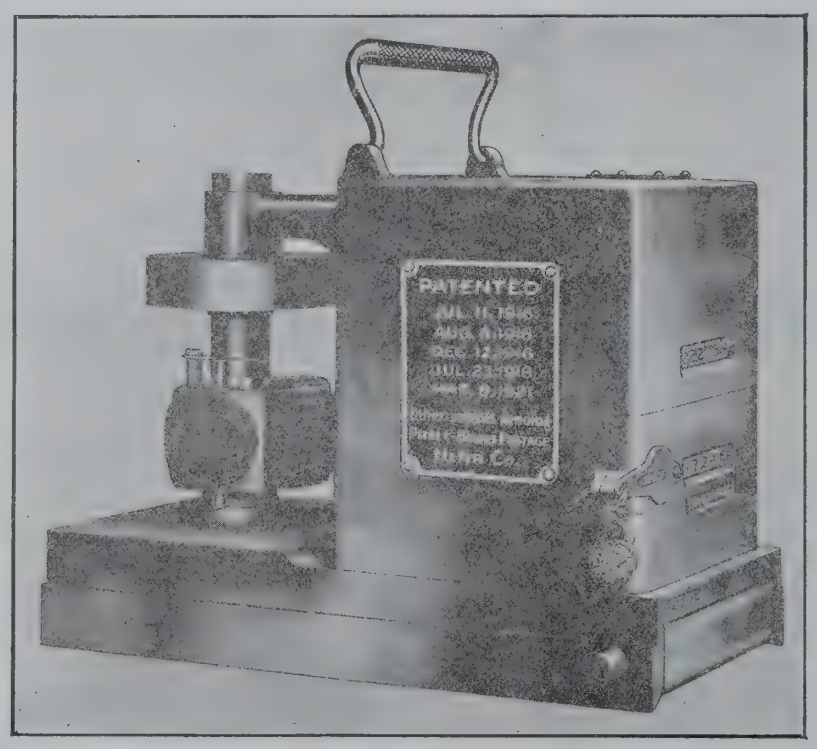

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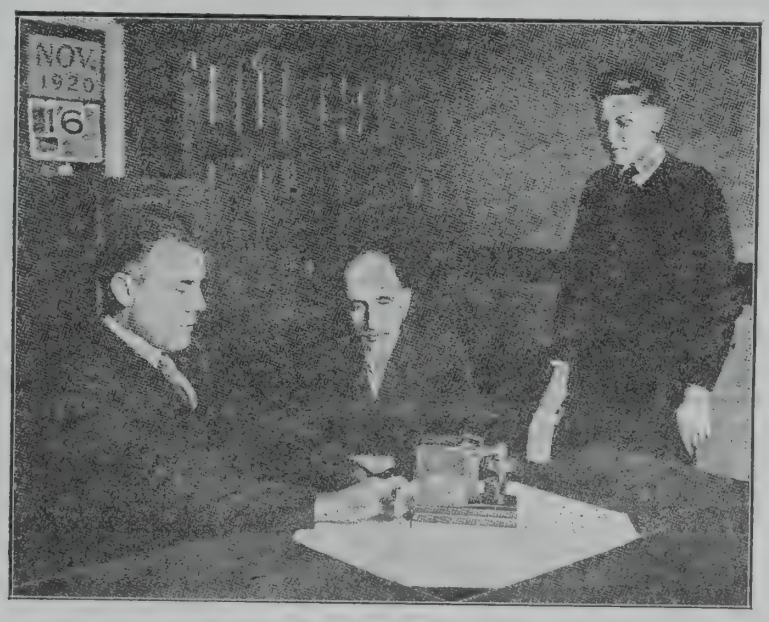
First Class Mail Permits.

Early in 1920, the Postmaster General asked for and obtained from Congress legislation, authorizing the extension of the Permit system to First Class Mail, subject to rules and regulations provided by his department. The Postal Laws and Regulations were amended on May 10, 1920, and on June 8, of the same year, Messrs. Lansburgh & Bro. of Washington, D. C., sent out an announcement of a fur sale to their local customers under permit number 134, using the design which we illustrate as Type B. This was the first use of a first class permit by any firm or individual in the United States under the new amended order. This was soon followed by the Columbia Postal Supply Co. of Silver Creek, N. Y., in advertising their machine to be used for this purpose. During the months following, firms in New York City and elsewhere took advantage of this service.

Metered Mail.

Early in 1920, while the legislation was being enacted in Washington, Mr. A. H. Pitney, referred to above, joined forces with Mr. W. H. Bowes, President of the Universal Stamping Machine Co. of Stamford, Conn. Mr. Bowes had had many years of practical experience in the development and manufacture of cancelling machines and had been working along the same lines as Mr. Pitney. Thus was created a new classification in the Postal System which will be known to the business man and stamp collectors as "METERED MAIL". The firm is designated as the Pitney-Bowes Postage Meter Co., and in their branches as the Postage Meter Co. Our illustration shows the setting of the first postage meter ever used on actual mail. The calendar in the picture shows the date to be November 16, 1920. This was under permit number 1, and was of a 10c denomination. The first imprinted envelope was mailed to Ex-Postmaster General Burleson as a souvenir, the second impression has been framed and now hangs on the wall of the New York City branch office of the Postage Meter Co.



THE FIRST OFFICIAL SETTING OF A POSTAGE METER NOV. 16, 1920

The names of the people in the photograph are as follows:
Left—Assistant Postmaster Plunkett of Stamford, Conn., who is setting the Meter.
Centre—Postmaster J. J. Bohl, Stamford, Conn., who is witnessing the setting, as per the Post Office rules and regulations applying to the use of this device.
Standing—Office boy tendering check in payment for postage purchased.

Advantages of First Class Mail Permits.

To appreciate the advantages it is only necessary to consider the disadvantages of the adhesive postage stamp. The postage stamp came into existence as a government institution in 1847. From that time to 1920, the greatest inventions of the world were perfected and brought into popular use. The adhesive postage stamp remained practically the same. The Governments of the World spent hundreds of thousands of dollars each year printing and disbursing adhesive postage stamps—then they spent millions of dollars each year for labor and expensive machinery to cancel these stamps. At the same time, business concerns spend thousands of dollars in labor and hours of time affixing these stamps separately to each envelope. Peculation of stamps is one of the disturbing factors that every business house with a large employment roll is apt to face sooner or later. Stamping of mail by this obsolete method is more or less a slow and expensive operation. Loss by spoilage, accident, carelessness, appropriation for personal use, etc., costs the business concerns of the country thousands of dollars each year. When first class mail is received at the post office and before the stamps are cancelled, each piece must be separately handled and faced, with all stamped corners in the same position, it is then run through the cancelling machine and afterwards sorted, or routed. An effort is being made by the P. O. Dept. to secure the co-operation of large mailers so that mail will be routed before delivery to the post office. These modern methods mean a saving of from one to twenty-four hours in the despatch of mail, and to most business concerns this is a most important feature.

Machines Used for First Class Permits.

First class permit No. 134, referred to above as the first one used in the U. S., was printed on a Multigraph machine, having a curved plate with changeable date type. This machine as well as the Addressograph, has been used in a number of instances as well as the ordinary printing press. It is practically impossible to determine from the looks of the impression from what machine it was made. Some concerns, especially the Larkin Co. of Buffalo, use a two color press in their own printing department for their one

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*1922 Postage Dues, 9 var. cpl., 1-50K .08
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cent denomination under Permit No. 7. It is a little more difficult for the ordinary printing devices to handle this work since the government order requiring the indicia to be printed in the color of ink to correspond with the amount of postage. Practically all of Type B were printed in black ink. The colored ink was not required until Type C was adopted, and even some of these early impressions are found in black. Besides the machines above mentioned, the following manufacturers have produced machines for first class mailings, but none to date have used a meter in connection: Mail-o-Meter Co., Standard Envelope Sealer Mnfg. Co., International Postal Supply Co. and the Columbia Postal Supply Co. There may possibly be others, but we have never heard of them. The business is in its infancy and there are no doubt many bright minds working on devices along this line. There is a slight difference in some of the indicias manufactured by the above concerns, but they can only be classed as sub varieties of the regular types we are illustrating. We understand that any machine or device which will make a legible impression of the indicia, regardless of its other attributes, will be accepted by the Department for this work. Machines can be secured on a monthly rental basis, or purchased outright. The lowest priced machine on the market is $25.00, manufactured by the Columbia Postal Supply Co., while with others the price will run as high as seven hundred dollars or more. Printing dies cost the user in addition up to $25.00.

Extracts from P. O. Dept. Orders.

Practically all the regulations effecting the use of permits for any class of mailing are numbered orders and amendments to Section 459 of the Postal Laws and Regulations. Many of these amendments are a repetition of previous orders, including some additions and corrections. It would be impracticable to include these orders in full, and it would be of very little interest to our readers to list the many order numbers. These have been read over very carefully and the following extracts cover the main conditions effective at the present time. Although permits were first issued only for third class mail, changes have been made from time to time to include all four classes under the same permit number. The early users of first class permits did so under their old third class permit number. This is why the early permits can be found with high numbers, where later permits of the same firm have low numbers. Any number of pieces of first class mail which need not be identical as to contents or weight can be mailed at one time as there are no restrictions as formerly. For second or third class not less than 300 pieces can be mailed at one time, and with fourth class not less than 250.

Permits must be obtained from the Third Assistant Postmaster General through the local postmaster. First class permits can be used for all other classes. They must be numbered consecutively at each post office from number 1 up and be independent of the old series for third class mail.

The indicia for this class of mail must be placed on the envelope by some form of printing press and not hand stamped. The name of the postal station of the mailing office may, if desired, be shown in the outer circle in connection with the name of the post office. On first class matter the hour may be shown in the indicia in connection with the date of mailing, and in such cases the matter should be presented for mailing not later than one hour prior to the hour so indicated.

Under one cent postage, date slugs are removed. The indicia should show the correct amount of postage paid, but when the indicia do not show the full amount chargeable on tthe matter, additionable postage may be paid by stamps affixed.

Matter of subsidiary companies, or officers of a concern holding a permit, may be mailed under the same permit number. This accounts for the various names that collectors have noted on the corner cards of the same permit.

Where a postage meter is used, the mailer must bring the printing or numbering head to the post office and have the postmaster set it for a given number of impressions, and this must be witnessed by a responsible employee of the post office. All keys to the device must remain in the custody of the postmaster.

These impressions are entitled to a place in every stamp collection, for they are printed under government supervision, paid for like stamped envelopes, and a refund is made on impressions for which no service has been rendered. This is not the case with other than metered mail.

The Universal Postal Union Convention agreed to accept the impressions of the dies of machines, the same as postage stamps on international mail providing Arabic figures were used in the indicia, to denote the amount of postage paid, and if the die impressions were printed in bright red ink, with the name of the country of origin shown. This order went into effect in January, 1922.

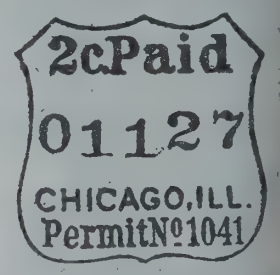
Where permits are used without meter attachments, postal employees are required to run the entire mailing thru their regular cancelling machine, removing printing dies, in order to get an accurate count.

Denomination and Color.

So far we have noted the following denominations of meter marks in regulation color, 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c, 5c, 6c, 10c. There are only two exceptions that we know of, as follows: the 5c denomination for foreign mail must be printed in red to conform to our 2c postage; a package of third class of a weight sufficient to require 2c postage must *not* be printed in red. This probably due to the fact that the Dept. wishes to aid postal employees all nations to readily distinguish all class mail by the red color. A number of errors of color have been noted, no doubt, to the insertion of a meter in the wrong machine. Users are required to obtain a meter for each denomination of postage that they intend to use, and it is reasonable to expect that mistakes of this kind will occur.

FIRST CLASS PERMITS.

Classification of Types.



Type A.—Although not officially permitted under Postal Laws and Regulations, there were close to 900,000,000 impressions of this type of meter-stamp passed through the Chicago post office without cancellation, during the first months of 1914. We have in our possession the original envelope, the first to receive this form of impression. It was mailed on January 28, 1914, and addressed to Mrs. J. E. Pitney, the wife of the inventor, Mr. A. H. Pitney. It was under Permit number 1041, and the particular envelope was numbered C6. It was sent out by the Addressograph Co. and contained a copy of the "Addressograph-er", a trade paper which contained an account of the postage meter and its advantages.

Some facts regarding Permit No. 0 we feel sure will be of interest to our readers. The authorization for this was contained in a letter to Mr. F. E. Cy formerly Postmaster of Chicago, the President and General Manager of

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*17-20, Cat. .14 ..... .10
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*43-45, Y. & T. Fr. 25 ..... 1.25
151-163 minus 156, Cat. 1.29 .60
*S H S on Hungary, 40 vars. cpl. except No. 205, Cat. 23.07 ..... 6.00
*233-242 & 342, Cat. .58 ..... .25
*418-419, Cat. 1.75 ..... .90
*433-447, Cat. 3.28 ..... 1.25
*501-514, Cat. 1.76 ..... 1.25
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16	4c brown	.08
16d	pair, part perf.	2.50
1887 Issue, Set Nos. 23 to 29		.72
1892-93 Issue, Set Nos. 32 to 40, exc. 36		.80
1896 Issue,		
46	10c ultramarine	.20
47	5c on 2c brown & gray	.08
48	5c on 4c yellow & gray	.08
1900 Issue, Set Nos. 51 to 56		.39
1904 Issue, No. 100, 10c blue		.12
1906 Issue, Set Nos. 102 to 106		1.06
1907 Issue,		
107	1c vermilion	.02
108	2c olive green	10.00
109	10c emerald green	.04
110	20c bistre	.15
111	20c apple green	.12
112	30c blue gray	.12
113	60c chocolate	.20
114	60c orange brown	1.50
115	1p orange & black	.75
116	2p turquoise & black	.20
117	5p red and black	.75
118	10p orange & black	1.50
119	20p green & black	2.50
1908-10 Issue,		
133	1c greenish blue	.04
134	2c carmine rose	.05
135	10c ultramarine	.06
136	30c dull lilac	.12
136a	60c salmon pink	1.75
137	1p gray & black	.75
138	2p lake & black	.20
139	2p orange & black	.20
140	5p green & black	.60
141	5p blue & black	.60
142	10p blue & black	.90
143	10p chocolate & black	.90
144	20p violet & black	2.25
145	20p yellow & black	2.25
1908 Issue,		
146	5c on 1c greenish blue	.03
148	5c on 60c orange brown	.05
148a	inverted	.50
149	5c on 60c pink	.04
151	20c on 1c greenish blue	.15
155	5c on 28c orange	.75
156	5c on 40c blue	.65
157	5c on 10c green	.15
158	5c on 10c lilac	.08
159	5c on 20c bistre	.40
160	5c on 20c pink	.40
161	5c on 30c blue gray	.04
162	5c on 30c yellow	.05
163	5c on 60c orange brown	.06
164	5c on 60c ultramarine	.08
166	20c on 5c blue	1.00
171	1c on 1p rose & black	.35
172	1c on 1p lake & black	.30
174	1c green	.02
176	10c lilac brown	.03
178	30c red	.05
1910 Issue,		
192	5c violet	.02
192	pair, imperf. horiz.	1.00
192	block, imperf. vert. and horiz. perf. all around	2.50
193	10c green	.03
193	pair, imperf. horiz.	1.50
196	75c blue	.15
196	pair, imperf. vert.	2.50
196a	both halves	.30
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1886 Issue,		
315	1c dark green	1.00
1902 Issue,		
348	1p olive green	.15
1904 Issue,		
356	1c gray green	.20
357	2c brown orange	.03
1905 Issue,		
359	1c olive green	.10
360	2c gray green	.05
1906 Issue,		
361	1c brown orange	.40
362	2c red	.50
363	5c deep blue	.05
364	10c violet	.10
1908 Issue,		
365	1c vermilion	.15
366	2c gray	.25
367	5c gray blue	1.50
368	5c greenish blue	1.50
369	20c violet	.35
370	10c bistre	
371	10c green	
372	10c lilac	
373	20c bistre	
374	20c pink	
374a	20c green	
375	30c turquoise blue	
376	30c blue gray	
376a	30c gray blue	
377	30c yellow	
378	60c chocolate	
379	60c orange brown	
379a	60c light brown	
380	60c deep ultramarine	

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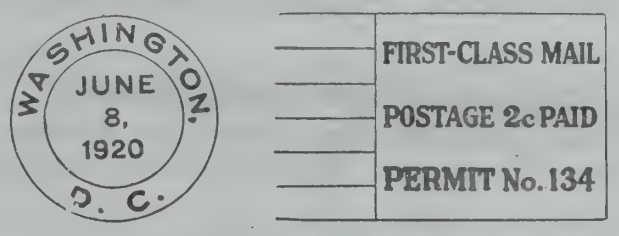
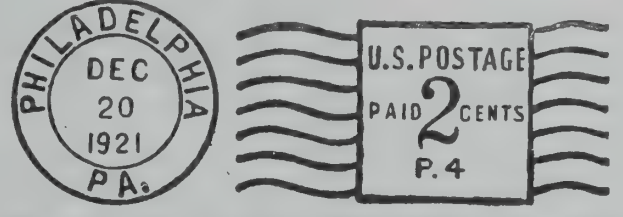


Type B.—This was the first regular design adopted under amended order No. 4164 of Section 459 of the Postal Laws Regulations dated May 10, 1920. This conformed with the maximum and minimum size of design as well as the size of lettering as prescribed on Form 3601, as well as those modified on Forms 3610, and 3612. These will be found invariably printed in black ink. Our illustration is a reproduction of the first one of these designs used and dated June 8, 1920. This was first used under the old Third Class Permit No. 134, which was later changed to Permit No. 1, to conform to the new series for first class mail permits. A few minor varieties have been noted, such as the absence of dates, two outer circles, etc. It is impossible to distinguish the machines from which these were printed, but with the exception of the Multigraph and the Addressograph, the majority were made on an ordinary printing press.



Type C.—The P. O. Dept. on December 28, 1920, again amended Section 459 of the Postal Laws and Regulations, requesting the use of this design for concerns using an ordinary printing device as distinguished from metered mail. On early dies, the abbreviated "P." was used for the word Permit but by the request of the P. O. Dept. later dies were made to spell out the word in full. These early dies will be another item of interest for the stamp collector.

Type D.—This design was adopted at the same time as *Type C.* (Dec. 28, 1920) and is a duplicate of the above, with the exception of the meter number added in a perpendicular line between the postmark and cancellation. This was arranged especially to accommodate machines using a meter unit. The first machine installed (outside of the Postage Meter Co. at Stamford) using this style of indicia, was on August 4, 1921, at Utica, N. Y., and used by the Commercial Travelers Mutual Accident Association of America. The first two machines installed in New York City, were with the National City Bank and the New York *Times*. Our check list will show many other concerns that used this style of indicia before another change was made.

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By GEO. W. LINN, Columbus, Ohio.

I have just received my copy of the Philatelic Dictionary and feel that I want to offer my congratulations to both Mr. Poole and Mr. Wylie for the wonderful work that they have done.

When I say that I believe that next to the postage stamp catalogues, this work is the most remarkable and at the same time the one most needed by all collectors, I have said as much as anyone can say for the book.

May a future edition embrace all points that have been overlooked in the present edition and I might suggest that you ask collectors at once to start sending in notes with a view to the next edition.

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EDITORIAL.

On June 30th, a month or so after the trial was begun at Los Angeles, California, we received the following telegram signed by John A. Klemann, plaintiff in the case, involving his purchase of the Hawaiian missionary stamps from Mr. Grinnell: "Verdict for me on all counts in Hawaiian case. Sweeping decision in this case will put stamp dealing on its proper legal basis for all time. Perry Wood an eminently fair and impartial jurist. The loan of William Crocker's stamps of greatest help." Judgment has been rendered in a most mystifying case whose importance was based not alone on the substantial amount of $65,000 at stake, but also on the baffling circumstances, from the point of view of the on-looker, that surrounded it. Without a transcript of the court proceedings, we recognize the futility of trying at this time to comment upon the result. From a description of the unfolding of the case given us by one who attended the earlier sessions of the hearing, we know that many angles were considered and no doubt the decision was arrived at only after a full and impartial analysis of the evidence was made. That there was a wide-spread interest in the case was apparent to us by the calls made on us for information in regard to it. Preliminary comment on a court action is idle, if no worse, and such news as has been given was based upon authentic report that was not to be gainsaid.

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The newspapers naturally did not ignore a case of the magnitude of the one at Los Angeles and many columns in the aggregate indicated that the editors were alive to the importance of the case. While the treatment of the details did not always reveal the certainty of philatelic knowledge, yet it was seen that much progress has been made in philatelic understanding, in a newspaper sense. The news of the verdict was spread far and wide in the newspapers on the day it was given and the following example from the Chicago *Post*, headed, "Stamps Forgeries, Judge Rules in $65,000 Suit," is a good one: "The Grinnell Hawaiian postage stamps, famous among collectors, have been declared forgeries by Judge J. Perry Wood, and the federal government has confiscated them as such. This brought to an end a suit brought by J. A. Klemann of New York for the recovery of $65,000 he paid George H. Grinnell of Los Angeles for the forty-two stamps. Klemann said they would have been worth $200,000 if they had been genuine."

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Again Arthur Brisbane has a fit in our front yard and his rampings around our premises are mussing things up. This time he pays his compliments to *The Collector* in one of his syndicated editorials in a way to cause them pain, from excess of laughter. He says that the inmates of lunatic asylums in many cases will pick up paper scraps and put them away mysteriously. When it comes to collecting postage stamps, he adds that the specimens are unsightly as a rule and that as for the geography and history that they are supposed to teach, "you could put it in your eye." As a correspondent points out, when Mr. Brisbane ventures out from shore, he flounders about in a way to make the judicious grieve. Goodness knows that in our happy philatelic hunting-ground, there are many who handle their blunderbusses with almost criminal carelessness and perhaps one of our nimrods hit him once upon a time with a pot-shot, but it is still not easy to understand why stamps are undergoing so much discipline from him. We rather like a clever thrust at stamp collecting when it is shown that the foil is in the hand of a master. We wish we could find the famous old *Town Topics* roast that was published when one of the A. P. S. conventions was held in New York City. That would be a rush-light to Brisbane's farthing candle.

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From Mr. L. Meister, we have received news that Gambia has passed an ordinance charging a commission of five per cent. on stamps shipped out by the postmaster. Mr. Meister says that he has had to pay the commission twice thus far and complains that in addition they do not properly fill his orders for blocks,—he "got strips; also, several damaged copies in the bargain." We should think that with the long set in use and a proposal of a new issue of higher values, as Mr. Meister says, Gambia would be willing to let well enough alone and not discriminate against the buyer from afar.

From Reval, Esthonia, a correspondent writes that "Russian money changes very much." He says that several months ago, a million rubles was worth about three dollars but that now the quotation is about one million for one dollar. "The stamps are dearer because it is difficult to get the small values," our correspondent says, speaking of the Russian stamps. He continues: "I thought to go to Petrograd for two weeks, but the last time the Russians have shot some Esthonian citizens. It is not agreeable to travel in such country as Russia. As soon as I get some new stamps from Russia, I shall send you some."

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That clever chap whose job it is to provide the questions that make up the "memory tests" that are syndicated to many newspapers deserves well of us; and right here we wish to say that his questions exceed in interest and instruction those of his imitators. As proof of his intelligent treatment of his work, we cite the following from recent instalments of his tests. "What is the pet indoor sport of Pauline Frederick, movie star? She's a philatelist. She saves postage stamps. What is the highest denomination postage stamp ever issued by the United States? The $100 purple newspaper stamp of the 1895 issue, used in connection with second class publications mailed in lots of five tons or more at a time. How did postage and revenue stamps come to be called stamps? The earliest stamps were revenue stamps that were literally stamped, not printed, in embossed relief without ink, each one separately directly on the document itself."

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Now the good old New York *Sun* shines on philately and one of the editors bearing the torch of truth in one hand smacks the typewriter keys with the other. His head, "Passion for Stamps," is not particularly taking, but his comments are interesting. He says that the most clinging of all bugs is that of philately and he proves it with fair words. While his climax is not soul-stirring, it is just as well that he does not excite us this hot weather. He says: "There must be some explanation for the price of $32,077.50, which was paid recently for one stamp issued three generations ago in British Guiana." Just so.

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—It may be of interest to you to know that we have received a cover postage paid from Calcutta to London which we presume is cancelled by one of the new automatic machines, similar to those that were used in New Zealand. It may also interest you to know that the 10c current stamp of Holland has been re-engraved, the horizontal lines of the background in the centre around the Queen's Head are now much wider apart than originally and it is very distinct when compared with the old ones.—BRIGHT & SON.

—W. Randall of Montreal sends us a clipping from the *Star* of June 29. It pictures a syndicated halftone cut that is being used to the benefit of philately. It is a double column cut showing Milton Carlson examining a 2c Hawaii. Over the cut is the caption "Fortune at Stake in Stamp Suit". The comment beneath the cut includes this statement, "If genuine this stamp is worth $20,000. John A. Klemann, N. Y. dealer, who says he bought 43 of them is suing a Los Angeles dealer alleging that the government pronounced them forgeries."

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

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By W. D. HELMAN, *Pres.*

We started out on our this year's campaign with a beautiful exhibition of stamps in the Public Library, and advertised in the daily papers that we would have the exhibition, to be followed by a lecture on stamp collecting. We had colored slides made for an illustrated lecture and a projecting machine, and the lecture, which was given by one of our members, Mr. L. F. Yeckel, drew a capacity house. Mr. Yeckel also exhibited in the lecture room, 8 large frames filled with a wonderful specialized collection of Netherlands, No. 1, No. 2 and No. 3, which are his particular pets.

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The exhibit filled thirty-two display cases, three feet by four feet each, and was filled with portions of collections by members, making an extremely interesting exhibit, and incidentally we got quite a few new members on the strength of it. We have no trouble at all in getting publicity in the newspapers for same.

On July 1, we are to hold our first stamp bourse in Tower Grove Park, an open-air meeting where we will sit in the shade of some wonderful old trees, and swap duplicates and sell and buy. If we have the attendance that we expect, we will make the Bourse a monthly occurrence.

We think that if the average club were bitten by the go-get-em bug, they would find that there are lots of collectors eager to join them. Just "Kick up the Dust" a little, and the collectors will come out.

COMMUNICATIONS.

To THE EDITOR:

In your issue of June 17, I notice an article of Russian stamps. As I have several covers from register letters from Russia not more than two months old, I can mention one cover with 16 7,500 rubles blue; two 3 Kopek red; one 2 Kop, total 120,000r 8k.

Another: eight 7,500r surcharged on 250r violet; four 5,000r surcharged 5r blue; four 10,000r surcharged 40r blue; two 3k red, total 120,000r 6k.

Another: eight 22,500r br. violet; two 7,500r blue; one 5,000r surcharged on 2r brown, total of 200,000r.

I have also some freaks in Hungary, Austria and Czek Slavick.

Hungary—16 60 fillers brown on one.
12 1 kroners red on another.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE W. WAGNER,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

To THE EDITOR:

In your editorial columns of June 10, '22, I notice your article on Fire Insurance on Stamps.

I have tried for ten years to obtain such insurance on my stamp collection, coin collection, also paper money collection, but in neither instance have I been successful, although I have applied to large agencies who represent practically all the leading Fire Insurance Companies.

On account of personal friendship, special effort has been made by the representatives to place such insurance but the answer has always been, that no company could be found which would accept the same.

I find no difficulty in obtaining adequate Theft and Burglarly Insurance, although the rate is somewhat high, and for fire protection I have found it necessary to use a fire proof safe cabinet.

Will be glad if any of your readers can furnish the name of a Fire Insurance Company that will cover any of the items above mentiond.

JOHN W. HAARER,
270 W. St. Joseph St., Lansing, Mich.

A CORRECTION.

(We quoted a news story recently taken from one of the metropolitan dailies to the effect that King George was one of the bidders for the British Guiana gem in the recent Ferrari sale and also that he "was disappointed in not obtaining the stamp." The following letter from Mr. E. D. Bacon, curator of the philatelic collections of the King, shows that we were in error and we cheerfully publish the information herewith, regretting that we were the innocent cause of giving circulation to an unfounded statement.—W. O. W.)

To the Editor:—

My attention has been drawn to an article with the heading "Out-bid King George" in the number of your paper dated May 27th last.

Will you please correct the misleading statements contained in the article: (1) that His majesty King George "was a bidder through an agent for the British Guiana postage stamp which recently sold for more than $32,000 at the auction sale in Paris of the Ferrari collection" and (2) that His Majesty "was disappointed in not obtaining" the stamp. Far from this being the truth, His Majesty never gave a commission to anyone attending the auction to bid for this stamp and never had any intention of trying to buy the specimen.

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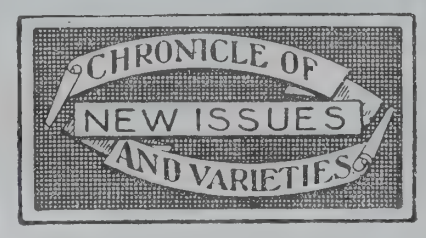


Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Some months back there was located in the Washington Post Office several pairs of the 2c rotary prints from the coil waste sheets of 170 stamps wherein the horizontal perforations were missing. These were from the ends of the sheet, the perforating wheel having failed to cut between the last two rows of stamps. Coming from the sheets with compound perforations, these imperforate horizontal varieties are naturally perforated 10 vertically. Because of the small find at the time the pairs commanded quite a fair premium.

Quite a fair quantity of the same variety have now been found in New York, and I desire to thank Mr. E. N. Costales of the Scott Stamp & Coin Co., and Mr. J. M. Bartels for an early view of blocks from this find. Stamps of the 2c denomination from both the early and late find are from die III.

At the same time I have been favored with blocks from the rotary press of the 1c unwatermarked in the same condition, that is, imperforate horizontally and perforated 10 vertically. These two stamps will be listed in the new Scott's catalogue as number 440a in the case of the 1c and No. 441b for the 2c.

1921-22, Rotary Print, Perf. 11x10, unwatermarked.

1c green, Imperf. horizontally.
2c carmine, Imperf. horizontally.

The 2c has not been found in this condition from die II and it is not likely that it will, for even in the case of the compound perforated variety, only about a couple sheets were located and these were discovered when the Bureau of Engraving and Printing first started to make use of the coil waste.

Collectors will learn with regret of the death of Mr. William J. Barrows, for several years Chief Clerk to the Third Assistant Postmaster General. He acted as Third Assistant for many months, and collectors making inquiry through his division regarding stamps, will recall the many courtesies extended. He is succeeded by Mr. Harvey Lovejoy of Saint Louis. Mr. Lovejoy has a post office record to be envied, for during his thirty years' service in the department he has never taken a day sick leave.

While speaking of government officials, past and present, of interest to the philatelist, it will be news to many to learn that several of the former officials of the Bureau who were ousted last March by executive order have now located elsewhere. Mr. George U. Rose, for many years chief of the Engraving Division, has signed a five years' contract with an English firm at a salary said to be four times that which he formerly received. Mr. G. F. C. Smillie, reputed to be the best vignette engraver in the country, is now with the American Bank Note Co. of New York, the firm that printed many of our stamps previous to 1894. The former Director, Mr. James L. Wilmeth, is the head of the loan department of a Washington firm. Mr. G. C. Cole, former head of the Surface Division that turned out the famous or rather infamous surface or offset printed stamps, has established a printing plant of his own in that Old Virginia town of Alexandria, where one of our early postmaster provisionals were made.

I had the pleasure quite recently, of meeting the owner, and inspecting the much written about Boscawen, Lockport and Annapolis Postmaster Provisionals, as well as the unique 1c British Guiana, all from the world famed Ferrari collection. In an early WEEKLY I hope to have a few notes regarding them.

In the Chronicle for June 10th, I have made an error in designating the lone 3c surface plate, although I give the correct number in the issue of June 24th. Will our readers kindly correct their list to read:—

13688 3c Offset, 1911 400
13689-691 2c Ord. " 400

AUSTRIA.—The Stamp Shoppe, Inc., have shown us the 500h in the latest design in an orange shade.

BRUNEI.—The Rev. L. Meister calls attention to our Chronicle of No. 42, and advises that he thinks we are in error. Mr. Meister adds "If you carefully examine No. 30, you will find that it is a white back, though not as clear as the other white backs. I got a recent shipment of 10c which are on thicker, very yellow paper never known before. Confer Gibbons, who has no price for all yellow No. 33, but quotes the white back, No. 33a, at 5c, very moderate, unless current."

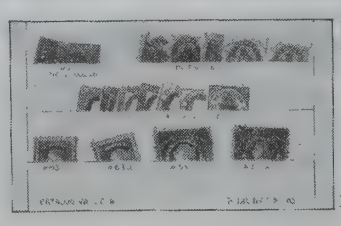
BULGARIA.—The Economist Stamp Co. have shown us three new values of the 1915 set of postage due stamps. They are 1L green; 2L red, and 3L light brown.

CANADA.—Mr. F. L. Belanger and Mr. George A. Wilkens advise of the 1c in yellow and also the 2c in green. Mr. Belanger also adds that he has the 2c in side wise coil perf. 8.

To the excise tax stamps of Canada have been added a ½ cent in a red about the same shade as the present U. S. 12 cent postage.

Also recently added, a 1 cent brown excise tax stamp coiled lengthwise perf. eight surcharged in two line gothic type, Div. 17, surcharged with rubber stamp in red. This is used on small boxes foreign matches, which heretofore had the same stamp surcharge printed in black in sans-serif type in two lines. There is an error of above printed surcharge with the 1 of 17 missing.

The 1 and 2 cent postals have appeared in same colors as the new postage of same value.



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Mr. Angers further adds that stamps were used at an aviation held at Bourges, France, on May 4t 5th and are a semi-official issue.

GOLD COAST.—Mr. R. Roberts in us of the appearance of a 1d brow 2½d orange, both on script waterm paper.

LEVANT *(Italian P. O.)*. Three provisionals are reported by M Yvert & Tellier, viz.:—

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CCO.—Mr. George W. Angers ad- at in a few months the aerial route nca-Dakar will be exploited. The tion of this route was inaugurated , 1922, by President Millerand, oyage to Morocco. The airmail ansported from Casablanca to his airmail constituted practically ial correspondence; letters and nt by the public are very small in

AGUA.—The Economist Stamp Co. that the 1c plum of the type of series has been overprinted "R. in black.

UCIA.—Mr. R. Roberts submits or chronicle the 1d in a brown nd the 2d grey, both on script arked paper.

UCIA.—The Rev. L. Meister ad- at about July 1st there will be 1½d red stamp for this colony.

A.—The Rev. L. Meister sends us he has received from the Post- at Apia, in which he advises that n Samoa (British) has now a issue of its own, but I notice, , that on four of the envelopes led here for registration you have f this issue. It is the one with ure of a Samoan native house and ensign in the foreground." his it would appear that the re- ue is only for "Western" Samoa . Meister raises the question if to be another issue for the non- part.

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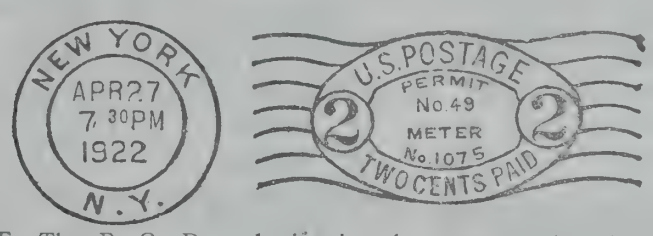

Type E.—The P. O. Dept. having recognized the need of having a distinctive design for permit postage imprinted by postage meters where the words "permit" and "meter" were spelled in full, again amended Section 459 on Dec. 8, 1921, and adopted this design. They also ruled that all postage meters in use must have the printing design changed to conform to the new ruling, but gave the Postage Meter Company a reasonable time to make the change. At the present time, the Pitney-Bowes manufacture the only postage meter used in this connection. Others may be placed on the market later, but unless this section of the Postal Laws and Regulations are again changed, this design will be used. All Postage Meter machines that have been sold or rented since the first of the year 1922, have gone out with this style of indicia, and gradually the machines that were in use previously, are either having the old dies replaced by the new designs, or in some cases it has been noted that entire meter units have been exchanged.

Interesting Features.

Let us not make the mistake of classing these meter marks as a "philatelic side-line" and in consequence giving them a lowly place in our estimation. The stamps that are rare today were at one time as common as some of these early meter marks. Some will say that art plays a part in the valuation of rare stamps, but when we consider the one cent British Guiana at $32,000, the Boscawen at $15,000 or the Hawaii at $14,000 the meter mark stands pre-eminently the better chance of taking the prize for artistic workmanship. We are not claiming that meter marks will ever reach prices quoted above, for the present generation produces collectors who are broad minded enough to see opportunities outside of the beaten path, and there would be a few that would collect them regardless. They will never replace the postage stamp entirely in their present form. The manufacturers acknowledge that they see only a possible 20,000 prospective users. There are already five distinct types and many sub varieties. There may be other changes in the near future. The main object of this article is to get collectors acquainted with the specimens while they are current, and to give all an equal opportunity to make a collection at a nominal cost.

It is altogether possible that many of the early permits issued in New York City, used Type B or C, and later installed a postage meter. The period between May 10, 1920, when first class permits were first authorized, and August 4, 1921 (nearly fifteen months) when the first postage meter was installed, would lead us to believe that there are many of these early types still to be located.

The fact that the Postage Meter Co. rent their machines by the month, it is altogether possible that some concern might experiment with the machine for a month or two and discontinue its use. There is nearly a twelve month period between the adoption of Type D and Type E, still we can only trace sixty-five (65) machines that used the Type D impression. Some of these were for a limited period and most of the early dates were during a time when few collectors were interested in them. The supply, without doubt, is very limited. Within a period of a little over two years we have something in current philatelic material that is reasonably rare, and it is safe to say that it would be impossible for even a thousand collectors to obtain a complete collection at the present time. There are still a few of the Type D that are current, but these will probably all be replaced with Type E dies before the end of June, 1922.

Arranging a Collection.

We note a desire among some collectors to keep meter covers entire. We have noted sizes ranging from 2¾x4 to 8x14. The majority of those we have corresponded with prefer to cut these from the envelope four inches long by two inches wide. If this size could be universally adopted, it would assist greatly in the exchange of specimens. With a uniform size it is possible to arrange a collection alphabetically by states, using guide cards 2½x4 and for the cities a guide card 2¼x4. The city card can be made out something like the following,

Pittsburgh P-5 M-1022 D-2 T-D

With a guide card for each distinct variety one can keep their collection constantly in check. At any time varieties from this file can be removed, trimmed smaller if necessary and mounted in blank books or albums in the proper arrangement.

There is no advantage in collecting these entire except for the benefit of the corner card with the name of the user, for color, size, knife, gum and other features of envelope collecting would not be of any value or interest in connection with meter marks. The check list we are publishing, identifies practically all meter marks, and additions which we will publish from time to time, should be sufficient identification. We would, however, appreciate suggestions which we will gladly pass on to those interested.

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By Ernest E. Thoma.

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Starting in the afternoon at three o'clock with "how-de-doos," attention was then turned to sales and exchanges of stamps for the men, while the ladies engaged in cards. Shortly before dinner a spirited auction was held, at which time exceptionally good prices were realized on those items offered.

The dining room presented an attractive appearance, as in place of the usual place cards, vari-colored balloons were found tied to the backs of the chairs, the names and addresses of the guests being printed on these, while at time of drinking the water, those present saw a postage stamp showing thru the bottom of their glass.

Immediately after dinner, Miss Kathleen Ream, daughter of Vice-President and Mrs. Ream, presented some very enjoyable esthetic dances. A number of interesting talks were given among those speaking being the Messrs. Otto Moses, Louis Hanford, William Whitaker and W. W. MacLaren, all of Cleveland, and Si Weatherby of Medina.

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The following Saturday thirteen of Rubber City spent a delightful afternoon and evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cornel Kmentt, who live near Northampton, a small village close to Akron. A "feed" which rivaled the preceding week's banquet, was enjoyed by all, and in addition to seeing Mr. Kmentt's collection of rare stamps, those present had the privilege of seeing his collection of several thousand butterflies, many of these having been brought across from Europe.

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Probably every normal boy passes through a period (it has been compared to measles time) when he collects something violently. Frequently he becomes more of a collector and can show a series of collections, as the disease becomes chronic—cigar bands, campaign buttons, or pictures of ball-players or the like that accompany cigarettes. Often enough he bears the mark of his boyhood love for complete sets of something into manhood, where he does systematically what he formerly did unconsciously.

The most devastating variety of the collecting bug is philately. It is practically the only variety which is carried on from youth into years of extreme age. When a man becomes a specialist in Japanese prints, in porcelain, in silks or rugs, there is an æsthetic quality on which he can fall back when a friend taxes him with his hobby. But in old postage stamps æsthetic taste plays but slight part. A perfect copy of a United States 10-cent black, 1847, is not particularly handsome, yet it is a necessity for all who specialize in "early U. S." The Hawaiian "Missionaries" are neither handsome nor accessible, except to a few rich collectors, yet how many long for just one of them to stand in isolated splendor in the beloved album. Philately seems as unreasonable as any other affliction.

Boys are caught first by the highly colored, odd shaped and out of the way issues of postage stamps. Something of the romance of the East, the mystery of Africa or South America lingers in stamps from these places. If in boyhood this was the appeal, could not a psycho-analyst trace the grown-ups' enthusiasm to such a source, existing unnoticed and urging the elders on to further interest? There must be some explanation for the price of $32,077.50, which was paid recently for one stamp issued three generations ago in British Guiana.

THE POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT SEAL.

It has always been something of a mystery to people interested in postal affairs why there was no definite knowledge of the origin and history of the Post Office Department seal which is seen upon all official publications of the department. No one seems to know anything about it and attempts to find out among department people brought no results. * * *

It appears that the original design for a Post Office Department seal, according to Francis Huebner, an accepted authority on postal affairs, volume 32, No. 5, L' Union Postale, records of the Columbia Historical Society, was that of Mercury riding upon the clouds, but the introduction of the pony express in 1836, it is said, induced the Postmaster General, Amos Kendall, in an order dated May 1, 1837, to change the seal to its present design of a galloping pony with a mail messenger astride.

This historical statement is, however, contradicted by the historian, Benson J. Lossing, who stated in an article published in *Harper's Monthly Magazine* for February, 1869 (Vol. XXXVIII, p. 319), that Benjamin Franklin, when first appointed Postmaster General, issued a circular concerning the Postal Service on which was a picture of a galloping pony, which he assumes was the origin of the present seal.

The records of the year 1837 are not available in the Post Office Department, and the order of Postmaster General Kendall can not be found to verify the statement of Huebner, and it is left to conjecture whether the seal as at present originated with Kendall in 1837, or with Franklin as stated by Lossing.—By LOUIS MELIUS, *author of The American Postal Service; reprinted from The Postmasters' Advocate.*

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ORAL DECISION OF THE COURT.

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The Court: There is only one phase of the matters that have been presented to the court upon which I would be unwilling at this time, if the case hinged upon it, to express my conclusions. Since this case will doubtless be ultimately passed upon by another court, and this particular phase could only be finally determined by it, and since, as I say, this question is not necessary to a determination of this action, I think that I shall express my conclusions at this time.

This case has taken approximately two weeks of court days. It has certainly been well tried. It has been exhaustively argued. It might seem almost unseemly that the court should off-hand decide a case so tried and so argued, but during the whole course of the case the issues have been so well developed, the court has had opportunity to give to them an amount of study which I think justifies the court in deciding this case at this time. I will say that if I felt there could be any change in my final conclusion, I certainly would take the case under submission for longer deliberation, for the case is important in many aspects, and in one aspect which has given the court a good deal of anxious thought, and that is the effect of this case upon the parties thereto.

Now the first thing, and the most important thing, to be determined is, are these stamps genuine? It is clear to my mind that they are not, that they are forgeries, constructed by a process of photo-engraving. And I say it is clear to my mind that that is so, regardful of all that that necessarily implies. I have carefully studied and examined these stamps as we have gone along, and I spent two or three hours upon them last night with the few exemplars of genuine stamps that I had, and I am convinced that those stamps, that is the Grinnell stamps, were never made with type. I appreciate the fact that there may be a difference in the different examples of typeset stamps. These differences, however, can be explained. The differences, however, between the Grinnell stamps here and the genuine stamps are such as they cannot be explained away. To attempt a philatelic dissertation on this subject would require an amount of time that has been rendered unnecessary by the arguments of counsel, in which, as in the testimony of the various experts, the differences have been pointed out. We have the testimony of a number of experts, all of whom were to the mind of the court endeavoring to testify truthfully and in accordance with their best ability. I cannot believe that any of those men was actuated by ulterior motives, and the reasons by which or with which they fortified their opinions are and have been convincing to the mind of the court. Incidentally, upon that subject, the opinion of Klemann, the plaintiff, that these stamps were forgeries, would not have been arrived at except by an utter disregard of his highest financial interest. Certainly it cannot be thought that any break in the market for these stamps, due to the presentation of the Grinnell stamps to it, could upon any hypothesis be an actuating motive for Klemann to attempt to establish as spurious these stamps, unless it was perfectly plain to his mind that they were, and I think he was amply justified in the conclusion that was reached that these stamps are forgeries.

Now, I will not attempt to support the conclusion that they are forgeries by the circumstances and inferences in connection with or arising out of the testimony as to the source of these stamps. I will content myself in that connection with saying, regretfully, that the story of the discovery and acquisition of these stamps by the defendant bears marks of improbability which make it difficult for the court to accept it.

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With respect to the meaning of the contract, and as to what the contract between the parties was, which more accurately puts it, I think we must entirely disregard the transactions and arrangements between the parties subsequent to the making of this written instrument which is in evidence. That was a binding contract. Klemann sought to have Grinnell change it in certain particulars. Grinnell stood upon his contract. That contract was never changed, was never abandoned, another contract was never substituted for it. The only things that were done in connection with the delivery of the stamps that might be said to differ from what was in contemplation of the parties when the written instrument was made, were in favor of Mr. Grinnell. There was no change. The contract provided no place of delivery, although the law implies, perhaps, a certain place of delivery, but the contract specified no place of delivery, and the arrangement to deliver the stamps in San Francisco did not modify or change or abrogate the contract, in my opinion, in any respect. As a matter of fact, the stamps were delivered and the money paid all within the thirty-day term fixed by the contract. The contract was carried out. Now, when the contract was made and the rights of the respective parties by it established, Mr. Grinnell could not afterwards, when the stamps were about to be handed over, or at any other time, say, "I won't carry out this contract unless it is understood I do not guarantee the genuineness of these stamps". He has received a consideration upon the contract. The mutual obligations to sell and buy established the contract, had no money been paid over—although, perhaps, to be accurate, I would have to say, except for the fact that the contract provided it should be paid over, which was a fact—and the circumstance of Mr. Grinnell stating that he would not guarantee the stamps and would give the money back unless Klemann would take them without such guarantee, must be entirely disregarded, in my judgment. It might be considered as evidence upon the question what the intention of the parties was, as to a warranty of the genuineness of the stamps, if we were to examine into facts extraneous the contract to determine the intention. But if we did that, I could not deduce from the circumstances that occurred at the bank an intention upon the part of the parties thereto that there should be no warranty, because if there was an intention that there should be none, and it was definite, it might better have been expressed. And unless Grinnell understood that Klemann thought there was a warranty, express or implied, in his agreement, why should he at this time have suggested what he did? It must be remembered that Klemann repudiated the idea that there was no warranty of genuineness. Now I refer to that, gentlemen, only in passing, because the question of warranty is the one that I had in mind when I said I would be unwilling to decide this case at this moment if it had to be decided upon the question of warranty, speaking technically and legally. I am of the opinion that the implication of this contract is that the stamps are genuine Hawaiian Missionaries, and not pieces of paper which the purchaser was taking at his risk.

It is true that Klemann is an expert and he had an opportunity to examine these stamps, but it has been thoroughly demonstrated here that the sort of inspection that was possible there was not such as to conclude Klemann against disputing the genuineness or claiming that there was a warranty. And I think counsel points out with aptness that the representation as to the source of the stamps would naturally lull a purchaser into a sense of security, particularly when made by a man of Mr. Grinnell's occupation and standing. But, as I say, my judgment is based primarily upon the theory of mistake, which is open to the court certainly under the last cause of action, and if it was not, it would be the duty of the court to open it by appropriate pleadings, because the evidence is before the court which justifies a finding, which ought to be made, and to make which the pleading should be made, if necessary. I think, under the doctrine of the case cited by counsel, which has not been to my knowledge changed by subsequent pronouncements of the Supreme Court, that under the common count for money had and received a judgment based upon the theory of mistake is open to the court and to the parties.

That leaves for consideration the question, has the plaintiff precluded himself from the aid of a court of equity through failure to tender back the consideration, or to tender back what he received, and demand what he paid, before the action was commenced? We, of course, all understand what the general rule is. We all know that it is based upon a maxim that he who seeks equity must first do equity, but that maxim was never intended to require an idle or a useless thing, nor to prejudice a suitor in equity. I think Mr. Grinnell was not prejudiced in any substantial or indeed in any manner, by the failure to tender to him these stamps. I have in mind authorities or rather principles supported by authorities—counsel referred to them, though I think he cited none of the authorities—but based upon the doctrine that an idle act is not required. A demand is not required if it is known that it will be refused. A tender is not required, certainly of something which is valueless, and which very plainly would have been refused. I think that it would be little less than a travesty upon justice if the court should attempt to cease upon the failure to tender, to deny the plaintiff relief here. It would be to grasp at a straw to do injustice. Now, I am not unmindful of the argument of Mr. Lawlor upon the conduct of the plaintiff with respect to the disposition of these stamps, but so far as any real prejudice to the defendant is concerned, I think there is none. It might have been of advantage to him to have these stamps for the purpose of comparison in the preparation of his case, but there were some stamps of his that the Government had, which could be used for this purpose, if they were needed; and, if any of them could have been gotten from the Government, these, I take it, could have been gotten by Mr. Grinnell himself.

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I think I have sufficiently covered, for the purpose of indicating to counsel what the findings must be, my conclusions on the facts and the law in this case.

Judgment will be rendered in favor of the plaintiff against the defendant for the sum of $65,000, less the $5,000 that came back to Mr. Klemann from Mr. Wood, which Mr. Grinnell had paid to Mr. Wood. Plaintiff will also have judgment for his costs.

BRAZIL.

According to a correspondent of the *London Times,* the President of Brazil has given his assent to an Act authorizing the expenditure of one million dollars for the establishment of two aerial mail routes, between the capital and Porto Alegre (in Rio Grande Do Sul). The one route, which is for hydroplanes, will follow the coast, while the other will be inland, following the railways where possible.

The routes are to be inaugurated before the opening of the Centennial Exhibition next September. Their primary object is military defense, but the routes will be used for mail and commerce. Wireless telephone and telegraph stations with a range of 300 miles are to be established at convenient points at a minimum distance of 190 miles apart, and at the terminal points there will be powerful plants capable of direct intercommunication. Modern meteorological stations are also included in the scheme. Brazil has already issued postage stamps showing picture of airplanes in flight, but it is reported special aero stamps of larger size in two colors will be used on the new Air Mail routes to cover the extra air-post fee.

DIFFERENCES IN STAMPS THAT LOOK ALIKE.

By L. H. Brigham.

We now come to the place where it is necessary to put on our spectacles, take our magnifying glass in hand, and keep our eyes wide open.

Many different stamps of the same country resemble one another quite closely in color and design, and yet there are noticeable differences in them that oblige us to recognize and classify them as being distinctly different from those of some other issue which they so closely resemble.

Hundreds of different stamps could be named and described from a score of different countries which come under this heading, but those of us who use a "World Standard Catalogue" find all of these many stamps both illustrated and described. Therefore for the benefit of those who do not possess one of these "treasure books" we will briefly describe a few of the most commonly known varieties which always come into the possession of the young collector.

In this article differences in watermarks, printing, shades, surcharges, size, perforations and paper will be given no consideration; all stamps referred to show marked differences in design.

Three issues in particular which confuse the young collector ofttimes are the 1900, 1904, and 1906 issues of Austria. The stamps of these three issues are very nearly alike, with the exception of the fact that the circle in which the numerals of denominations are enclosed, are "filled in" with color design work in the 1900 issue, while certain denominations of the 1904 issue show the figures in black on a plain white background; and others of the 1906 issue show the values on the same white background, but instead of being printed in black as in the 1904 issue, they are of the same color as each respective stamp. The foregoing may seem rather a complicated statement to the beginner, but if Scott's Nos. 75-91, and 105 of Austria are obtained, these three distinct types of the same stamps are quite apparent.

The above is an illustration of a major difference in color and design. the next is a semi-major difference in design engraving which is quite noticeable after a short study of the stamps. We refer to the 1912 and 1913 Albert issues of Belgium. The 1912 issue shows the head and shoulders of the king in military uniform; two buttons of the blouse and a starshaped medal of honor showing very plainly on the stamp. The 1913 issue was printed from an entirely new engraving and shows a slightly larger head. The king's shoulders are also much closer to the bottom of the frame enclosing the design, and only one button shows on the blouse, and no medal. Illustrations of the differences in this type are found in Scott's Nos. 95 and 103 of Belgium.

The 1913 and 1914 issues of the British Solomon Islands show another type of difference. Beneath the head of King George the words "Postage"—"Postage" appear on the 1913 issue in very small type. The 1914 issue is identical with the preceding one, only instead of the words "Postage"—"Postage" we find "Postage"—"Revenue" at the left and right of the stamp respectively, beneath the head of the king, in the same small type. This difference between the two issues in this case would be apt to be overlooked unless a collector were on the alert, owing to the type being very small and the words being placed so inconspicuously. British Solomon Islands Nos. 19 and 28 show this variety difference—one of wording.

Ecuador is a country with a number of issues closely resembling one another, but differing in color arrangement and slightly in design.

A real difference in engraving is found in the 1899 and 1905 issues of Cuba. For the purpose of illustration, we will simply refer to the 2- and 10-cent denominations. The 2-cent denomination, which is a very beautiful stamp, showing a number of tall, stately palms and printed in deep rose, shows foliate ornaments inside of the oval which incloses the numeral "2". In the re-engraved plate of the 1905 issue of this same 2-cent denomination, these ornaments were removed from the inside of the oval which inclosed the "2."

The 10-cent denomination of the 1899 issue has the word "Cuba" inclosed in a square-ended label. The re-engraved plate used for the same denomination in the 1905 issue, shows a small ball added at both square ends of the label.

The foregoing illustrations will give the young collector some idea of the types of differences to be found in stamps, which may at first glance appear to be the same in every respect. Keeping our eyes open shows us these things, and with a little experience, we should in a short while be able to "spot" these things for ourselves in stamps which we never knew before contained them.

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THE POSTAGE STAMPS OF BELGIUM.

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CHAPTER XXI.

The King Albert Stamps.

Although King Albert succeeded to the throne of Belgium in December, 1909, it was not until some time later that steps were taken to provide new stamps. In the meantime Mr. Ason, the deputy for Tournai, started an agitation for the suppression of the ridiculous Sunday label making the practical assertion that those people who do not desire their correspondence delivered on the Sabbath can best ensure the fulfilment of their desire by the simple expedient of not mailing it on Saturday night! But although a goodly section of the public agreed with Mr. Ason's commonsense suggestion, long established precedent was too much for the conservative Belgian adminstration, so that when the new series appeared they were, as usual, decorated with the Sunday tag.

In the early months of 1911 it was rumoured that the proofs of the new stamps had been finally passed by Mr. de Broqueville, the Minister of Railways, and that the work of printing would shortly begin at the State Printing Works at Malines. It was announced that they would be ready for issue by October but it was not until April 15, 1912, that the first three values, the 1c, 2c and 10c, made their appearance. The advance press notices had been highly eulogistic so that bitter disappointment was expressed when the stamps did appear. The following comment from the *Monthly Journal* is typical of the feelings of the philatelic press:—

"For the past year and a half the whole philatelic world has been awaiting the new issue of this country, stimulated in our expectancy by frequent notices in the Belgian press as to the progress made in preparing and the expected beauty of the designs. We have now seen the stamps, and are wondering what all the shouting has been about. Three values have reached us, and three stamps more commonplace in their ugliness we never saw. Cheaply drawn and cheaply executed, no doubt they will serve to pay postage as well as any other 'sticker', but to the artistic side of philately they add nothing."

The 5 francs value appeared in May, the 40c, 50c and 1 franc in July, the 20c, 25c and 35c in August and the 2c and 2 francs in October.

The designs were the work of Mr. Edward Pellens, professor at the Academy of Fine Arts in Antwerp. The three low values are not unpleasing in design, but the denominations showing the King's portrait are anything but handsome. The 1c shows the value in bold type on a horizontally lined ground in the centre surrounded by a highly ornate frame in which "BELGIQUE" at the top, and "BELGIE" below are the chief features. The 2c shows the Belgian lion in the centre, within a girdle with buckle and projecting tongue, which is inscribed "BELGIQUE" at left and "BELGIE" at right. Above, and partly impinging on the girdle, is a Royal Crown, while in the lower corners are a large "2" and "C" at left and right respectively, all being on a ground of solid color. The 5c also shows the Belgian lion as its chief motif but the treatment is entirely different. The lion is on a ground of solid color and is surmounted by a crown which partly covers the letters "GI" of "BELGIQUE" above. Below the lion is "BELGIE" in colored letters on a plain tablet and at left is a plain tablet containing the value.

The values from 10 centimes to 2 francs inclusive, all show a portrait of King Albert in uniform on a rectangle shaded at left and right with small dots, while in the upper angles are tiny squares. Above is "BELGIQUE" in white letters on a ground of solid color and below is "BELGIE" with the value in numerals at each side. The 5 francs is similar, but of much larger size and its general effect is more pleasing than the smaller stamps.

The 25c though issued with this series is of slightly different design, and to prevent confusion we shall deal with t value with others of similar type i next chapter. It will be noted tha 40c and 5 franc values, which were pressed many years ago, have bee instated in this series.

All values have the name of th signer "EDW. PELLENS" shown in letters below the centre of the desi foot, and it is perhaps of interest to that the lettering is larger in the ca the 1 centime than in any of the with the exception of the 5 francs.

The Sunday label shown below value follows a different plan as re the arrangement of the inscriptions that of earlier issues. It is divded two equal sections by a thin vertica and in the left hand half is "NE LIVRER—LE DIMANCHE" in lines, and in the right hand portion "N BESTELLEN—OP ZONDAG", a two lines. There is a period after "Z DAG" but none after "DIMANC and while the period is in the no position for this mark of punctuati the 1 centime, it is raised to the of the centre of the "G" on all the denominations.

The dies were evidently engrav the State Printing Works and the presumably were like those of the pre ing stamps of similar size—300 sub arranged in six panes of fifty e except as regards the 5 francs whic believe, was printed from a small of 25 stamps.

The stamps were printed on the unwatermarked paper and were forated 14. Owing to the compara short time they were in use they but slightly in shade.

REFERENCE LIST.

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2 centimes, brown.
5 centimes, green.
10 centimes, carmine.
20 centimes, olive-green.
35 centimes, pale brown.
40 centimes, green.
50 centimes, grey.
1 franc, orange.
2 francs, violet.
5 francs, plum.

CHAPTER XXII.

The Re-drawn Type of Albert St

Although the 25 centimes stamp issued at the same time as the denominations it was in a slightly d ent design, the portrait being larger the small squares omitted from upper angles on each side of the It was considered that this larger trait so greatly improved the design it was decided to discontinue the sm format and make new plates fo values with the larger effigy of Albert. The 10 centimes in the type appeared in January, 1913, the followed in April and the 20c in De ber. It was also stated that the 2 f was prepared in this type but, if s copies appear to be known now.

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with larger portrait was issued, it decided to make another small ge by deleting the designer's name below the design. The 25c in this ed type appeared in October, 1913, the 10c and 20c early in the follow- ear.

Whether these were printed from the plates or whether entirely new ones constructed we have been unable scover but it seems more probable new plates were made otherwise process of cleaning out the name l have been sure to have resulted rtly erasing the lower frame line e design in some cases.

other values were issued in this for late in 1914 the Belgians had acuate Malines before the oncom- ordes of Germans.

tt lists the 25c with designer's as existing imperforate and the times and also the 1c of 1912 are known in this condition. With d to these two latter *Stamp Col-* for January 31, 1920, gives the ing information:—

veral correspondents have asked explain how it is that copies of centimes stamp of the 1913 issue Belgium can be had imperforate. explanation is that in 1914, just the siege of Antwerp, the Boches the State Printing Works at es (which they subsequently de- d) and there captured very large ties of the stamps in most common viz., 10c and 1c, ready for issue except that they had not visited the perforating machine. For some months past the wily Teuton has been unloading these relics in large quantities, both here and in Germany, with the result that many dealers in both countries have large stocks."

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(To be continued.)

SCARCENESS OF PRECANCELS.

Precancels have a greater value than ordinarily cancelled postage stamps, because when the name of a certain town is printed on a stamp making it a precancel, it is different from most other stamps. A 7c stamp, for instance, precanceled Williston, North Dakota, is worth 20c; one from New Orleans, La., is worth 15c; Ann Harbor, Mich., 12c; Plainfield, New Jersey, 15c; Rochester, New York, 8c; and Chicago, Ill., 3c. Scott lists the 7c stamp at 3c. The price however is for an ordinarily cancelled stamp. There are fewer of the Williston, New Orleans, Plainfield, and Ann Harbor 7c precancels than there are 7c stamps ordinarily cancelled. There is a question partly of the supply. If the town is a small one, the price is of course higher than for a stamp which is precancelled with the name of a larger city. Notice the price of the Williston which is 20c, the Rochester which is 8c and the Chicago which is 3c. The different values of the stamps of the different sized towns and cities is clear enough; the larger the city, the more precancels there will be from that place.

But the best point is that finds are possible for any collector of the new hobby. That the garret is obsolete, even the most ardent searcher will gladly admit. However, the "precancelist's" garret is everyday's mail. A package from Dakota is as likely as not to be franked with a couple sevens from Williston or Fargo or perhaps Sioux Falls. Twenty cents automatically falls into the collector's fingers. A parcel from Cincinnati will include a ten-cent Special Delivery, and you have its face value in full precancel worth even after it has been used. To an ordinary collector of United States postage, a twenty-cent Bethlehem, Penna., would have a commercial value of from a penny to two cents—to the precancel enthusiast, it jumps in value from ten to fifteen times that.

Thus we see there is that added interest of getting something for nothing. Who likes that better than a stamp collector in these times? Who does not like to see his collection wax fat with new varieties which have real commercial value.

The universal use of the precancel is what makes much of this "unearned increment" value possible. This collector will be near a certain group of towns using precancels, another will be near a different group, and in exchanging they get a more representative collection. For instance, I used to find that Red Wing, Winona and Mankato, Minn., precancels were readily exchangeable in any part of the United States. I could get almost any kind. Napa, Calif., Biloxi, Miss., Amarillo, Tex., or North Abington, Mass., would find their way into my collection through the exchange of the cities that I mentioned above. Every collector then has a little sphere of cities where he can get precancels from very readily, and which are scarce when the collectors of the whole country are considered.

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I am proposing to such members as I can reach, and whom I think would be likely to attend, that they endeavor to be in New York on Sunday, the 13th, in which case we will dine together at the Collectors Club, and proceed to Springfield together in the morning.

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EDITORIAL.

Decided—We can imagine nothing of more interest to the philatelic reader than the actual court decision in the Klemann-Grinnell case and we make a feature of the oral decision given by the Hon. J. P. Wood, the judge. As Mr. Klemann writes: "The thanks of all philatelists should be extended to Judge Wood, an eminently able and impartial jurist who without experience as a philatelist became an expert in fourteen court days and handed down an epoch-making decision." That the judge was alive to the importance of the case is shown by his observation in his opening sentences to the effect that the case "will doubtless be ultimately passed upon by another court." Those who read the judge's verdict will recognize that in a legal sense the case was one of deep interest and while it is evident that in the judge's mind, the plaintiff had the better end of the argument, there were certain points that remained to be rounded off legally. Sometimes, a sorry mess is brewed when stamps get into court and judgment is given by hap or circumstance, but in this instance, the case was argued with philatelic acumen on both sides. A friend who was present at the trial and who had no vital concern in its outcome informs us that it was a well-contested controversy but that it became apparent as the days wore on that Klemann's star was brightening. Mr. Grinnell's attorney, Oscar Lawlor, was district attorney at one time and enjoys the reputation of an astute and successful lawyer. It seems that Irving M. Walker, Klemann's attorney, although a stranger to stamps in a philatelic sense, made an impression by his painstaking and intelligent presentation of argument. We have been promised a transcript of the case by Mr. Klemann which, no doubt, will be a very human document.

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Defined—The judge said that the underlying premise in the case was the character of the stamps and he did not hesitate to say that in his opinion the stamps were flat forgeries produced by a process other than type-set impression; and it is likely that the evidence brought out details that would lead the judge to conclude that they were manufactured by a process of photo-engraving. The question of how the stamps sold by Mr. Grinnell were made was debated at length and expert testimony regarding paper, ink and impression was brought to bear on the question. The defense found it difficult to controvert the sworn statements of experts who testified for Mr. Klemann and that the judge was impressed by the sincerity of those who qualified on this score is indicated by his tribute to them. He said in effect that they were to be considered as truthful and unbiased. The court said that it was beyond belief to assume that Mr. Klemann through fear of market conditions made by the access of these stamps to the visible supply would attempt to prove that the stamps were counterfeit, unless they really were, in his estimation. The story of the finding of the stamps is dismissed as one that does not invite credence and is tossed aside. The transcript of the case will show how the story of the finding of the stamps was presented and attacked. In fact, to comment upon many of the most interesting phases of the case with assurance, it will be necessary to have the report of the case before one for reference.

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Details—No doubt the mind with legal training would scrutinize the procedure whereby the federal government became interested in the case and it is developed that although Mr. Klemann may have hoped for some relief through the intervention of the federal authorities, there is reason to believe that the federal government would be curious to know how such clever counterfeits could be evolved on the theory that "he who makes reproductions of such things as these could make reproductions of other things." Whatever the course of the government in impounding the stamps, it could not be believed that its action should endanger the rights of the plaintiff. The conclusion of the judge's oral decision tells the whole story: "Judgment will be rendered in favor of the plaintiff against the defendant for the sum of $65,000, less the $5,000 that came back to Mr. Klemann from Mr. Wood, which Mr. Grinnell had paid to Mr. Wood. Plaintiff will also have judgment for his costs." The decision is a sweeping one that establishes philately in the courts, by the way, and we await word whether the case will be carried to the highest court by the defendant.

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Delayed—Recently, we spoke of the incapacitation of Mr. Theodore Siddall of Shanghai, China, and now we have received a letter dictated by Mr. Siddall, as follows: "Last winter I had an advertisement in your paper advertising *Stamp Topics* asking for subscriptions and I got a bunch of them. I sent off the February number but none since. The reason for this was at the end of February, I had a stroke of paralysis and I have it yet. I am still on my back in the hospital and the doctor will not tell me or cannot when I shall get out. He says that I will get out some time as good as new and in the meantime, the subscribers and the whole crowd of other folks are waiting for answers to their letters. I hope to resume operations in about three months. Can you spare a few lines to the effect as stated and say that everybody will get dues as soon as I am out; and the *Stamp Topics* will come out again as sassy as ever if not more so. I cannot recommend paralysis but I haven't any doubt that you can get worse things,—but I hope that you will not." We hope that we shall have good news from the man who has for so many years been helpful to collectors the world around.

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Devised—The following letter has been received: "The name of your excellent periodical has been handed to me by an esteemed correspondent whose address is Tsing Hua College, Peking, China, Dr. Geo. W. Twomey, who suggests that you would be interested, doubtlessly, to learn something about the Automatic Postal Franking Machine which is being manufactured and used in this country, and which is also on the point of being introduced into Great Britain by a company that has acquired the world's rights in the machine, exclusive of New Zealand. I am, therefore, posting you under separate cover, booklet illustrating the machine and giving a considerable amount of information regarding it." This is the machine that franks the New Zealand envelopes that have occasioned comment from collectors. As early as 1903, Mr. Ernest Moss, the inventor, brought his ingenious device to the attention of the postmaster-general of New Zealand; and successive improvements have perfected it to a high scale of efficiency. Its use by the New Zealand authorities is an indication of its practicability and as it is introduced into other countries, it will have its effect in curtailing the use of postage stamps.

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AFTER TWENTY-EIGHT YEARS.

By David C. Turnbull.

How the memories crowded around as I dug down into that box of old books. For nearly thirty years they had traveled around, from New York State to Nebraska, Tennessee, Alabama, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Kentucky, and now here they are, the friends of my boyhood days. Huckleberry Finn, Tom Sawyer, Tom Brown's School Days, The Blue and the Gray by Oliver Optic, The Five Little Peppers. The Leatherstocking Tales, and others.

Oh, the thrills of those journeys over the western plains with buffalo and Indians on every hand. It does not seem so long ago since I pulled the old hair cloth sofa over to the sitting room table where the big oil lamp stood, turned up the wick until it just did not smoke, and with a paper under my feet and a cushion for my head, settled down with one of those books into a state of mind and body that only a boy can know. Faintly at first, then very distinctly a call is heard above the crack of rifles and whoops of warriors attacking the blockhouse—"David, come to bed now, it is after nine o' clock." And the reply, "just let me finish this chapter, mother, it is only two more pages."

But what is this big flat book down in the bottom of the box wrapped in an old weekly newspaper? It proves to be a Scott's International Postage Stamp Album, 1894 Edition with about 800 stamps mounted with thick white paper hinges with real "stickum" on them. I remember buying this book in Chicago on our way to Nebraska. It was my own money and represented about two tons of snow shoveled, a cord of wood piled, coal carried in for the base burner for a week, and the ashes carried out. The joy of possession of that album comes back to me even now.

How I debated whether to pay five cents for that nice big green Mexican stamp, or take three others at one cent each and two at half a cent each and have a cent left for possible trading emergencies. There is no doubt about my decision for there is the big stamp stuck on the margin of a page because I could find no space for a Mexican revenue.

I wonder where the boys are now with whom I traded or bought stamps at the prices marked on the approval sheets they had. (I learned later about 50% discounts.) Wyatt is in Alaska catching salmon, Lorenz is a physician in the Middle West, and George was going to the devil from last accounts. Where is Paddy McDonald with whom I must not play because he swore and smoked and wanted to teach me to swim? And here am I, a mechanical engineer, breaking into the Philatelic Press on the strength of a kid's collection made twenty-eight years ago and then forgotten.

With the album were two boxes filled with duplicates, including over twelve hundred one and two cent Columbians, tied in bundles of fifty. I remember that I dried these after soaking the paper off by sticking them flat on a smooth vertical portion of the back of our hard coal burner from which they dropped of their own accord when sufficiently dry.

Shortly after making this "find" we were building up a troop of Boy Scouts in the Methodist church here and remembering what I learned of countries, rulers, money values, neatness, patience, and efficiency, I told the boys one night about stamp collecting and offered to help them get a start. I expected six or seven of the thirty might be interested and you can imagine my feelings when twenty-two good right hands went up in a pledge to collect stamps. To prove myself a good scout, I had to increase my supply of "starters" at once by buying by the pound and in packets, which has taught me much, concerning the present day business of buying and selling stamps.

A great deal of mail from foreign countries comes to Mishawaka, so I have not urged the boys to buy from approvals until they have cleaned up the local source of supply, which can be had for the asking.

This was a year ago last May. Not all the boys have stuck to it, but it has been worth while and some of them have good collections already.

Maybe one of these will write a story like this about his collection for Mekeel's in the year 1950.

One old boy has recovered something of his youth again, for there has been much of interest in the quest after the good ones of long ago. But that is another story.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—The ninth philatelic congress at Bath, England, held several weeks ago was an unqualified success. We have to thank A. Leon Adutt, President of the Thanet Philatelic Society for a card from Bath with remembrances and best wishes, the stamp on which is cancelled with the special postmark, "Philatelic Congress, (date), Bath." The card illustrates the pair of New York, five cents, on cover, "presented by the late Major E. B. Evans, R. A., to the Jubilee Stamp Auction in aid of the London International Stamp Exhibition, 1923, and sold for the record price of 225 pounds to A. Leon Adutt, Esq., J. P., of Margate." An attractive sticker for the congress was beautifully engraved by Perkins Bacon & Co., London.

—The fashion of illustrating Russian ruble covers has spread like wildfire and it is no exaggeration to say that we have a dozen clippings from newspapers showing covers with sheets of the Russian stamps. For instance, Mr. Chas. L. Head of Natchez, sends a Memphis *Commercial Appeal* clipping, picturing 56 stamps valued at 397,720 rubles. The Washington *Star's* cut depicts a letter with a tail of 300 stamps and the other papers show similar examples of the despair of the once-proud ruble. The shop paper of the General Electric Company, Pittsfield, Mass., *Current News* for June, relayed to us by Mr. John F. Pendergast, has a stamp-illustrated article, "Value of Russian Money."

—A tramp was arrested at Marysville, California, for cruel and inhuman treatment of postage stamps. For some time the post office there had been receiving letters with the stamp pinned on! The suspicions of the P. M. were confirmed when he found that the pan-handler was using stamps that were "used" but not canceled.

—Pith from Paulson: He who spends his money on passing follies has a *recollection* worth nary a penny but he who spends his ducats on stamps has a *collection* worth many a penny.

—On the 22,500 rubles of Russia, the inscription in Russian, we are informed, is to the effect that the proletariat of all countries should unite.

—We have seen one of the Lethbridge, Alta, Canada, special flight covers, which bears the "Greeting—via the First Canadian Air Plane Mail Plane, from Lethbridge, Alberta, The Little City with the Big Future." The covers were sent from Lethbridge to Ottawa and thence to Chicago, St. Paul and Detroit, under some understanding between the Canadian and American post office departments. The cost of the service was one dollar.

—Geo. T. Edson who once upon a time published a stamp paper in Spanish in Kansas has now the distinction of publishing the *Stewart Clan Magazine* at Filley, Nebraska. Of all things, a genealogical gazette in what some of us remember as such an ungentle country!

—Reading the article in Weekly of July 1, "The Pair of 5c New Yorks", I note the price paid $1000 for a pair on original cover is considered high, and am reminded of a sale of Morgenthau's held some six or eight years ago in which two of the covers were sold, one bringing $900, and the other $800. Perhaps you will recall this, for I think you had an article about it. They were used by a prisoner and posted from Sing Sing prison to a judge in N. Y., and found about the time of the Morgenthau sale of them by the grandson of the judge, etc., etc.—W. F. Ferguson.

—Fred S. Martin of Greene, N. Y., informs us that he has an order from Mr. Dan de Beixedon of Montclair, N. J., which will be forwarded upon receipt of a more complete address.

—We have received from A. A. Wasserscheid a specimen of a new advertising cancellation, sent out from St. Louis, Mo., and reading as follows:—"Fashion—Pageant—Aug.— 8 16 1922—Saint Louis" in five lines.

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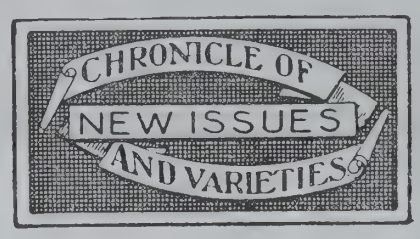

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—I learn through a Washington despatch that Mr. Warren I. Glover, Third Assistant Postmaster General, has decided the time has come when the boy on the bicycle, a familiar figure on the blue special delivery postage stamp, ought to have a faster mode of travel. A new special delivery stamp it is said, will appear Wednesday, July 12th, the central figure being a boy on the motor cycle. The new stamps will not be distributed generally until the supplies of the old design shall have been exhausted; but patrons of the Washington Post Office will have the "motor cycle boy" at once. Mr. Glover hesitates to predict what progress in transportation may suggest for an appropriate "special delivery" stamp within a few years.

If the information proves correct, we will be glad to see a new design, for we have had the present design since 1902, just twenty years, with the exception of a few months, during which the famous green special delivery "merry widow" type was in use. All hail to the authorities that be, and may the time soon be here when we will have an entirely new series. The current design has been in constant use for fourteen years and we would like a new series with not only Washington and Franklin, but Lincoln, Jefferson, Jackson, Hamilton, Roosevelt, McKinley, Cleveland and many others who have done much for their country, and have since passed to the happy hunting ground where, it is to be regretted, stamps are not collected. Then too, we should shortly be talking about the Sesqui-Centennial Set for Philadelphia, to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. It is true that the Committee having the affair in charge in Philadelphia has gone absolutely to sleep, but they will possibly wake up in time to have Congress authorize a special series.

So far, outside of holding committee meetings they have issued a little sticker in sheets of ten (5x2) about 1½"x2" in blue and yellow, the colors of the city of Philadelphia, illustrating Independence Hall and showing a Continental Soldier ringing Liberty Bell. At the top we find in yellow lettering "The Sesqui Centennial of American Independence." At the bottom "Philadelphia, 1926".

During the early part of the year I described a patent granted to Mr. George U. Rose, covering the formation of electrolytic plates for use in engraving stamps and other securities. Later attention was called to the fact that several plates of the 1c, beginning with No. 13376 were made by this method. Quite recently I recorded the finding of the variety imperforate, and I now wish to thank Mr. E. A. Young for sending me a block perforated 11, unwatermarked. It seems that these were on sale in New Haven, Conn., some little time back. As explained before, the variety cannot be distinguished from a similar stamp produced in the regular way, from a worn plate.

Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer has shown me quite an interesting cover, namely, a vertical pair of the 3c 1867, grilled all over on the entire cover, postmarked, "Beaver Dam, Wis., August 13, 1867." Mr. Wolsieffer tells me that in the olden days this stamp was listed as having been issued in 1868, and that this cover changed the date for the catalogue. He has had it in his reference collection all this time.

Mr. Charles Huscher calls my attention to the fact that other plate varieties in the case of the 2c 1890 may be found equally as interesting as those with the cap. He has located several copies wherein the right figure "2" has a broken tail and others where the same figure has the two bottom strokes joined. Those interested in such items will also find many oddities in the case of the 1c 1890. Collectors are studying their stamps more carefully every day, and a little observation will show that there are just as many interesting variations to be found in our late issues as there is in our early emission.

We wish to thank Mr. H. A. Thatcher, Chas. Metz, H. W. Porter, E. W. Murray and M. J. Fenster for notes of interest.

BAHAMAS.—Mr. J. A. Galbraith sends us copies of the 1d staircase type and the 1d George design on script watermarked paper.

EGYPT.—The Economist Stamp Co. report the 5m pale red of the 1914 type with the surcharge "O. H. H. S." and native characters on the watermarked multiple star and crescent.

Mr. R. Roberts informs us of the 15m new mummy type on the same watermarked paper as above.

GERMANY.—Messrs. Whitfield King & Co., show us the 2 mark value, purple, on "chicken-wire" white paper, in the Posthorn type, perf.—*Stamp Collecting.*

HUNGARY.—The Economist Stamp Co. submit to us for chronicle the following values of the Reaper type stamp with the surcharge "Soproni nepszavazas 1921, dec. 14", in three lines in red: 10f red violet; 20f brown; 40f olive green; 50f green and 60f black brown. Also the following in type A14: 1kr red; 2kr brown; 2.50kr blue; 3.50kr dark blue; 5kr dark brown and brown, and 10kr violet brown and red violet.

ST. KITTS.—The Economist Stamp Co. report the 2d and 2½d Peace stamps on script watermarked paper.

TANGANYIKA.—Mr. R. Roberts sends us four values of a new design recently placed on sale for this colony. The stamps show a picture of a Giraffe's head, printed by Bradbury Wilkinson Co., New Malden, Surrey, in she[e]t 120, two panes of 60, with plain [g]utter between. no marginal frame, script, [w]mk. perf. 16x14 comb. No plate nu[m]bers or control marks of any sort appe[a]r on the sheets, except the engraved [i]mprint with the name of the printers, in [t]he case of sheet at foot.

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The stamps are of a smaller siz[e] than the ordinary K. G. type, the desi[g]n itself measuring 16½x20½. The [y]ellow are quite a new departure from al[l] standards and are as follows: 10c gr[ey] green, 15c grey and carmine, 20[c] blue and orange and 25c uni-color slat[e].

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TAKING ART BY THE EAR.

The following extract from an [a]rticle in the July issue of *Printers' Ink M[on]thly*, entitled "Practical Hobbies [for] Salesmen" (Donald Argyle) ou[ght] to make our friend Arthur Brisba[ne] "Today" fame sit up and take [n]otice:

"When, after the war, a certain [A]merican firm decided to develop its f[oreign] trade, it found that one of its [best] salesmen was almost ready equipp[ed] to take an important role in the f[oreign] department. For an American, h[e] was remarkably well posted on comm[ercial] geography.

It all grew out of a stamp coll[ection]. The salesman's son had started [one] his tenth year. There are now so[me] thousands of different varieties of [foreign] age stamps that the salesman wa[s] impressed by the futility of attempt[ing] to make anything like a complete coll[ection]. As his son got into it, he became [very] much interested himself. Finall[y] the two decided to collect together. [It] was to save stamps from 1840 to[day]. Son took up the issues from 19[00]. Each had a separate album. [They] bought from dealers in many [of the] larger cities through which he [passed] and from consignments sent on ap[proval] to his home address. Stamp coll[ecting] teaches some history, geography, c[urren]cy systems and the colonial posse[ssions] of the various countries. It w[as] this man's appetite for more know[ledge] along these lines. He began with [the] light travel books and ended up [with] statistics, history and the deeper [study] on foreign peoples. And all the [time] without knowing it, he was prep[aring] himself for a better job."

J. Jo[seph]

WAR BABY.

A Turkish revenue stamp overp[rinted] G. R. I. ½d by the British on the [occu]pation in May, 1916, of Long Isla[nd] in the Gulf of Smyrna, formerly the [Turk]ish island of Makronisi, sold for [£]9 Messrs. Harmer, Rooke and Co.'s [sale] auction rooms, Fleet street, E. C., y[ester]day.—London *Mail.*

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e February number of the *West-hilatelist* we chronicled some eph- postage stamps issued by the In- ent Government of Karelia, a e lying to the south-west of Fin- d ceded to Russia. The natives, e Finns in speech and sympathies, revolt against their Russian and succeeded in freeing a con- le part of the country. A nation- nistration was established and ar- ents made for a postal service by to Finland.

learn from the *Finnish Stamp* that post offices were opened at jarvi and Uhtua in the liberated y on January 5th, 1922, and stamps issued with the device of ional Arms, after a design by an t named W. G. Palmquist. It of a small shield showing the f a bear rampant and brandishing d sword, in black upon a ground d colour, on which appears in ttering the Finnish name for the KARJALA and the date beneath two crossed spears. of value in coloured numerals hite discs occupy the lower cor- the stamps, which are perforated

rinting was carried out by litho- by the Helsingfors firm of A. B. n, to the extent of 20,000 copies value from 5 penni to 1 marka, 00 of the higher denominations. lues and colours of the stamps follows:—

- ni grey.
- " blue.
- " red.
- " brown.
- " lilac.
- " olive.
- " yellow.

- rka red and grey-brown.
- " green and grey-brown.
- " blue and grey-brown.
- " lilac and grey-brown.
- " brown and grey-brown.
- " red and dark green.
- " dark green and red.
- " yellow and blue.

pears that the Karelian stamps ognised and accepted by the Fin- t Office, but as the State was not er of the Postal Union overseas ndence had to be franked with stamps of Finland in addition. Karelian stamps enjoyed but a ef period of currency, since by of February the revolution had hlessly suppressed by the armies Russia and the Independent State lia had ceased to exist.—*West-ilatelist.*

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PERMITS FOR MAILING WITHOUT STAMPS AFFIXED.

(*Continued from page 365*)

By A. H. PIKE,
Publicity Manager International Postmark Society.

CHECK LIST OF FIRST CLASS MAIL PERMITS.

The following check list was originally compiled from actual specimens, or from check lists sent us by collectors. On May 29th, 1922, we received direct from Mr. Pitney, inventor of the Postage Meter, a complete list of all meters that were in use on May 19th, 1922. This practically assures our readers that the following information is correct as far as the meter marks are concerned. On May 1, 1922, we received from the P. O. Dept. a list of all cities in the United States where first class permits had been granted. In some cities, permits have been issued but never used. We are listing all cities under each state and where there is any doubt we have inserted a question mark (?), It will be greatly appreciated if our readers will make a special effort to locate specimens from these doubtful points and report them to us promptly.

We wish to give credit to the following individuals who have sent us specimens or in other ways assisted us in compiling a list of varieties: R. E. Cushing, George H. Myers, P. F. Robertson, George Bye, Burt B. Hyde, O. B. Prouty, W. F. Ferguson, Gustave Detz, Edward Ryan, George H. Hakes, Charles F. Heyerman, Charles R. Fairlant, Thomas Semmes, Jr., A. W. Line, L. S. Holt, Jr., Wm. F. Lang, William Mannheimer, James J. Prendergast, and others.

Types or meters marked with an asterisk (*) have been checked up with specimens we have seen. A dash in the meter column denotes that no meter so far has been used with this permit.

State and City.	Permit No.	Meter.	Type.	Denom.	User.
CALIFORNIA					
Los Angeles	1	——	B	2	Barker Bros.
	2	——	B	2	Gdyr.T.& R.Co.
	3	——	B	2	Am. University
	4	——	B	2	First Nat. Bank
	5	——	B	2	Tr. & Sav. Bank
	6	——	B	2	Mack Photo.Co.
	7	——	B	2	Guaranty Bank
	8	——	B	2	Myer Siegel Co.
	9	——	B	2	Welch Tax Col.
San Francis.	1	——	*B	2	Bank of Italy
	1	1186	E	2	Bank of Italy
	2	1135	E	2	Sch.-Frey St.Co.
COLORADO					
Sterling	?	——	?	?	?
CONNECTICUT					
Hartford	1	1094	E	1	Htfd.Fr.Ins.Co.
	1	1078	E	2	ditto
	1	1101	E	3	ditto
	1	1110	E	4	ditto
New Haven	8	1049	D	2	Telephone Co.
Stamford	1	1	D	2	Pitney-Bowes Post.Meter Co.
	1	2	D	10	ditto
	1	*1076	E	2	ditto
Wallingford	?	——	?	?	?
DIST. COLUMBIA					
Washingt'n	134	——	*B	2	Lonsburgh &Br.
	1	——	B	2	ditto
	2	——	?	?	?
	8	1008	D	2	Telephone Co.
	4	1192	E	2	Nat. Geog. Soc.
FLORIDA					
Jacksonville	1	——	B	2	?
IDAHO					
Burly	?	——	B	2	?
ILLINOIS					
Chicago	1041	——	A	2	Addressogr. Co.
	?	——	A	?	Am.RadiatorCo.
	?	——	A	?	Am. Sch.of Cor.
	?	——	A	?	Armour & Co.
	?	——	A	?	Babson Bros.
	?	——	A	?	F.D.Watch Co.
	?	——	A	?	Loftis Bros.
	?	——	A	?	Montg.WardCo.
	1	1054	E	2	Post. Meter Co.
	1	1171	E	4	The Pst.Met.Co.
	2	1013	E	1	Ill.Trav.Men's H. Assn.
	2	1020	E	2	ditto
	8	1007	E	2	Ill.Com'l Men's Assn.
	3	1066	E	1	ditto
	4	1121	E	2	Mar.Field & Co.
	5	——	E	2	?
	6	*1122	E	2	Carson Pierie Scott Co.
Chicago	7	——	E	2	?
	8	——	E	?	?
	9	1154	E	2	Telephone Co.
	9	1158	E	2	ditto
	10	*1150	E	2	Cent. Trust Co.
	11	*1139	E	2	Montg.Ward Co.
	11	1174	E	1	ditto
	12	1136	E	2	Assoc. Press
	12	1181	E	1	ditto
	319	——	C	1	?
	1203	——	*C	1	?
Dixon	?	——	B	2	?
Dundee	?	——	B	2	?
Pittsfield	?	——	B	2	?
Springfield	1	——	B	2	?
	2	1196	E	2	Franklin Life Ins. Co.
INDIANA					
Mishawaka	1	1053	E	2	Mishawaka Woolen Co.
(Permits have been issued in Bicknell, Bloomfield, Dugger, Hammond, Petersburg, Princeton, Vincennes and Worthington, all in Indiana. To date none are using postage meters.)					
IOWA					
(Permits have been granted in Atlantic, Clarinda, Davenport and Sioux City. To date none are using postage meters.)					
KANSAS					
(Permits have been issued in Garden City, Ottawa and Wichita. To date none are using postage meters.)					
LOUISIANA					
New Orleans	1	1153	E	2	D. H. Holmes & Co.
MAINE					
Old Town	1	10	E	2	Bickmoew &Co.
	1	1017	E	1	ditto
	1	1179	E	3	ditto
MARYLAND					
Baltimore	1	——	*B	2	Am. Whol. Assn.
	1	——	*C	2	ditto
	2	——	*C	2	HulzlerBros.Co.
MASSACHUSETTS					
Boston	1	——	B	2	?
	2	——	*B	2	mm. of Mass.
	11	——	*C	?	?
	15	——	*C	?	Wm.Filen'sSons Co.
	16	——	C	2	?
	19	1177	E	2	JordanMarshCo.
Everett	5	——	C	2	Stand. Env.Mfg. Co.
Malden	7	——	C	2	Telephone Co.
Chic'pee Falls	?	——	?	?	?
MICHIGAN					
Ann Arbor	1	——	B	2	?
Detroit	1	1119	E	2	Det. Edison Co.
Kalamazoo	1	——	B	2	?
MINNESOTA					
Minneapolis	1	——	B	2	?
	2	1009	E	2	Fed. Res. Bank
	2	1029	E	4	ditto
MISSOURI					
Kansas City	1	1048	E	2	Com.Trust Co.
St. Louis	1	1021	E	2	Southern Distributing Co.
	4	*1068	E	2	Ferguson McKinney Co.
MONTANA					
Missoula	1	——	B	2	?
NEBRASKA					
Lincoln	?	——	?	?	?
NEW JERSEY					
Jersey City	1	*1039	D	2	Butler Bros.
	1	* 7	E	2	ditto
Newark	1	1047	D	2	Telephone Co.
	1	1137	E	2	ditto
	1	1156	E	2	ditto
Rutherford	1	——	B	2	?
NEW YORK					
Albany	1	——	B	2	?
	2	*1084	E	2	Telephone Co.
Binghamton	1	——	B	2	?
Brooklyn	1	*1010	D	2	Chas.Wms.Strs.
	1	*1010	E	2	ditto
	2	* 5	E	2	Telephone Co.
	2	* 7	D	2	ditto
	2	1176	E	2	ditto
	3	*1037	D	2	Bond & Mort. Guar. Co.
	3	*1038	E	2	ditto
	3	1023	D	4	ditto
	3	*1058	E	4	ditto
	4	*1068	D	2	Abr'm &Strauss
	4	1099	D	1	ditto
	4	*1159	E	2	ditto
	5	1016	E	1	Fred'k Loeser & Co.
	5	*1044	D	2	ditto
	6	*1079	E	2	Austin, Nichols & Co.
	6	1108	E	1	ditto
	7	——	C	?	?
	8	*1067	E	2	E. Faber
	9	1194	E	2	Knox Hat Co.
Buffalo	3	*1083	E	2	Telephone Co.
	4	——	B	1	Auto. Bureau
	7	*——	C	1	Larkin Co.
Eddicott	1	1081	E	2	Endicott-Johnson Co.
Hornell	1	——	B	?	?
Mt. Vernon	1	1187	E	2	Telephone Co.
N. Y. City	1	*——	B	2	Am. Smelt. & Refining Co.
	1	1078	D	2	ditto
	2	——	B	2	?
	3	*——	B	2	South.PacificCo.
	3	*1003	E	2	ditto
	3	*1007	D	2	ditto
	4	* 6	D	2	J. Wanamaker
	4	*1087	E	2	ditto
	5	——	B	2	?
	6	* 4	D	2	Nat. City Bank
	6	*1059	E	2	ditto
	6	*1006	D	4	ditto
	6	*1111	E	4	ditto
	6	1057	E	5	ditto
	7	*1017	D	1	B.Altman & Co.
	7	*1099	D	2	ditto
	7	1043	E	1	ditto
	7	*1064	E	2	ditto
	8	*1099	D	2	Guaranty Tr.Co.
	8	*1117	E	2	ditto
	8	1145	E	4	ditto
	8	*1172	E	1	ditto
	9	*1096	E	2	Post. Meter Co.
	9	*1100	E	4	ditto
	10	*1013	D	1	Ronald Press
	10	*1019	D	2	ditto
	10	*1123	E	1	ditto
	11	* 6	E	2	Jas. McCreery
	11	*1004	D	2	ditto
	12	1040	D	1	McCall Pub.Co.
	12	*1021	D	2	ditto
	12	*1073	E	2	ditto
	13	*1016	D	1	Rev. of Reviews
	13	*1020	D	2	ditto
	13	1041	E	1	ditto
	13	1042	E	2	ditto
	13	*1043	D	1	ditto
	13	*1074	E	2	ditto
	14	*1088	E	2	Telephone Co.
	14	*1090	E	2	ditto
	15	*1025	E	2	Cent. Un. Tr.Co.
	16	——	B	2	?
	17	*1047	E	2	Equit.Life Assn.
	17	*1022	D	2	ditto
	18	——	B	2	?
	19	*1028	D	2	Fed. Res. Bank
	19	*1028	E	2	ditto
	19	1029	D	4	ditto
	19	*1031	E	4	ditto
	19	*1112	E	6	ditto
	20	*1005	D	1	N. Y. Times
	20	*1105	E	1	ditto
	20	* 9	D	2	ditto
	20	*1065	E	2	ditto
	21	*1018	D	2	Cunard S. Co.
	21	*1018	E	2	ditto
	22	*1001	D	2	Met.LifeIns.Co.
	22	1008	D	2	ditto
	22	*1063	E	2	ditto
	23	——	C	2	?
	24	——	C	2	?
	25	*1062	E	1	F. Simon & Co.
	25	1129	E	2	ditto
	26	*1003	D	2	Telephone Co.
	26	*1045	D	2	ditto
	26	*1045	E	2	ditto
	26	*1048	D	2	ditto
	26	*1133	E	2	ditto
	26	*1118	E	2	ditto
	27	*1033	D	2	J. Kayser & Co.
	27	*1037	E	2	ditto
	28	1131	E	2	H. Fisk & Sons
	29	*1034	D	2	Equit. Tr. Co.
	29	*1034	E	2	ditto
	29	1006	D	4	ditto
	29	1051	E	4	ditto
	30	1027	E	2	Nat. Surety Co.
	31	——	C	2	?
	32	*1035	D	2	Samstag&Hilder
	32	1107	E	1	ditto
	32	*1151	E	2	ditto
	33	*1002	E	2	Cohn Hall Marx
	33	*1038	D	2	ditto
	34	——	C	2	?
	35	*1032	D	2	Am.Relief Adm.
	36	——	C	2	?
	37	*1069	D	2	H. R. Mallison & Co.
	37	*1069	E	2	ditto
	38	——	?	2	?
	39	1050	D	2	Lamborn & Co.
	39	1127	E	2	ditto
	40	*1039	E	2	Claflins, Inc.
	40	*1056	E	1	ditto
	40	*1070	D	2	ditto
	41	* 4	E	2	Vogue Co.(Nast Group)
	41	* 10	D	2	ditto
	41	*1042	D	1	ditto
	41	1106	E	1	ditto
	42	1026	D	2	N. E. Tire & Rubber Co.
	43	*1049	D	2	Brooks Bros.
	43	*1130	E	2	ditto
	44	8	D	2	Cohn Goldman & Co.
	44	1067	E	2	ditto
	45	——	?	2	?
	46	1053	D	2	Schwarzenbach, Huber & Co.
	46	*1132	E	2	ditto
	47	*1052	D	2	Str.R.R.Adv.Co.
	47	1128	E	2	ditto
	48	1093	D	1	Sun-Herald Cor.
	48	1054	D	2	ditto
	48	*1126	E	2	ditto

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N. Y. City	49	*1075	E	2	Chase Nat.Bank
	49	1109	E	4	ditto
	50	*1089	E	2	Chem.Nat.Bank
	51	1077	E	2	Press Pub. Co. (World)
	51	1092	E	1	ditto
	52	——	?	?	?
	53	*1097	E	2	Burroughs Add. Mach. Co.
	54	*1104	E	1	McGraw-HillCo.
	54	*1116	E	2	ditto
	55	1103	E	1	Funk&Wagnalls
	55	1114	E	2	ditto
	56	*1115	E	2	G.Borgfeldt&Co.
	57	*1086	E	2	Corn Products
	57	1102	E	1	ditto
	58	——	?	?	?
	59	*1134	E	2	Am. Exch. Nat. Bank
	59	*1051	E	4	ditto
	60	1005	D	1	C.Perceval&Co.
	60	1061	E	2	ditto
	60	*1176	E	1	ditto
	61	——	?	?	?
	62	1157	E	2	Sacks & Co.
	63	——	?	?	?
	64	*1004	E	2	Gimbel Bros.
	65	?	D	6	ColumbiaTr.Co.
	66	1152	E	2	Bamont Corliss Co.
	67	1175	E	2	Blair & Co.
	68	——	C	2	Ernest & Herman Leavy
	69	1173	E	1	Nat. Bk. of Com.
	69	*1070	E	2	ditto
	70	1033	E	2	Internat. Devel. Co.
	71	1180	E	1	J. Wiley & Sons
	71	1184	E	2	ditto
	72	——	?	?	?
	73	1183	E	2	L. Ernstein & Bro.
	74	1188	E	2	N.Y.LifeIns.Co.
	255	——	C	1	Pictorial Review
Silver Creek	1	——	B	2	Columbia P. Supply Co.
	1	——	C	2	ditto
Syracuse	1	*1095	E	2	Telephone Co.
Utica	1	* 5	D	2	Com. Trav. M. A. A. A.
	1	*1082	E	2	ditto
	1	1120	E	1	ditto
NORTH CAROLINA					
Asheville					
Wilmington					
OHIO					
Chillicothe					
Cincinnati					
Cleveland	4	——	C	4	?
Columbus	1	——	*B	2	Un. Com. Trav.
St. Clairsville	1	——	B	2	County Auditor
Sandusky					
OKLAHOMA					
Miami					
PENNSYLVANIA					
Altoona					
Berwyn					
Hanover					
Harrisburg	1	——	*B	2	?
	2	1080	E	2	State Work.Ins. Fund
	3	*1035	E	2	Telephone Co.
Kittanning					
Philadelphia	1	——	B	2	J. Wanamaker
	1	*1014	D	2	ditto
	1	*1014	E	2	ditto
	6	——	*B	2	Strawbridge & Clothier
	7	*1036	D	2	Sears Roebuck & Co.
	7	*1012	E	2	ditto
	7	*1036	E	2	ditto
	7	1161	E	2	ditto
	8	——	?	?	?
	9	*1055	D	1	FentonLabelCo.
	9	*1015	D	2	ditto
	9	*1055	E	1	ditto
	9	*1015	E	2	ditto
	10	——	C	2	Gimbel Bros.
	10	*1071	E	2	ditto
	11	——	C	2	C
	12	*1072	E	2	Fed. Res. Bank
	12	1148	E	6	ditto
	12	1170	E	4	ditto
	13	——	C	2	?
	14	1001	E	2	Henry Mitchell Co.
	15	——	C	2	?
	16	1011	E	2	Post. Meter Co.
	16	1146	E	4	ditto
	17	*1050	E	2	Telephone Co.
	18	1052	E	2	ditto
	19	1189	E	2	Phila. Elec. Co.
Pittsburgh	1	——	*C	2	?
	2	——	C	2	?
	3	*1022	E	2	Telephone Co.
	174	——	*C	2	?
Scranton					
Warren	1	1091	E	2	New Process Co.
	1	1098	E	1	ditto
Wilkes-Barre					
RHODE ISLAND					
Providence	1	——	C	2	?
	2	* 9	E	2	C.,McAustan & Troup.
SOUTH CAROLINA					
Darlington					
TEXAS					
Dallas	1	1155	E	2	Fed. Res. Bank
	1	1023	E	4	ditto
	1	1030	E	6	ditto
	1	1113	E	12	ditto
Temple					
VIRGINIA					
Alexandria					
Richmond	1	1178	E	2	Telephone Co.
WASHINGTON					
Everett					
Port Angeles					
Seattle					
WEST VIRGINIA					
Charleston	1	——	?	2	?
	2	1190	E	2	Telephone Co.

UNITED STATES, Unused

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Scott No.		Cat.	Our price
235	unused 6c purple	.15	.10
257	unused 8c viol. br.	.50	.25
	Pairs & Blks. same rate.		
264	unused 1c blue	.10	.04
	Have some plate Nos.		
265	unused 2c carmine	.20	.12
	Have some plate Nos.		
266	unused 2c carmine	.50	.20
	Have some plate Nos.		
267	unused 2c carmine	.08	.04
	Have some plate Nos.		
268	unused 3c purple	.15	.08
	Pairs & Blks. same rate.		
279B	unused 2c orange red	.40	.18
279C	unused 2c rose carmine. Only 1 blk. of 4, not perfect center but good for	..	10.00
294	unused 1c gr. & blk.	.05	.03
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	Pairs & Blks. same rate.		
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	Pairs & Blks. same rate.		
323A	unused 1c green	.06	.03
	Pairs & Blks. same rate.		
323B	unused 1c green	.20	.10
323D	unused 1c green (line pr.)	..	.25
324B	unused 2c carmine	.40	.25
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336A	unused 2c carmine	.10	.05
	Prs. and Blks. same rate.		
337	unused 2c carmine	.06	.04
	Prs. and Blks. same rate.		
337A	unused 2c carmine	.10	.05
	Prs. and Blks. same rate.		
338C	unused 1c green, pr. for	..	.20
339A	unused 2c carmine	.06	.04
	Prs. and Blks. same rate.		
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356A	unused 2c carmine	.10	.04
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NOTE.—Due to the fact that the P. O. Dept. required a change of the design of the indicia used on postage meters, The Postage Meter Co. was compelled to replace dies that were in use previous to December 8, 1921. In some cases the entire meter unit was removed and placed with another user, and in other cases only the dies were changed. This accounts for some of the following meters being used by two separate concerns, and the same meter being used with both Type D and E.

Meter No.	Permit No.	Name of User.	Address
1	1	Pitney-Bowes Post. Meter Co.,	Stamford, Conn.
2	1	"	"
3		Not in use.	
4	6	National City Bank,	N. Y. City
4	41	Vogue Company,	"
5	2	Telephone Co.,	Brooklyn, N. Y.
5	1	Comm.Trav.M.A.A.A.,	Utica, N.Y.
6	4	John Wanamaker,	N. Y. City
6	11	James McCreery,	"
7	2	Telephone Co.,	Brooklyn
7	1	Butler Bros.,	Jersey City
8	44	Cohn, Goldman & Co.,	N. Y. City
9	20	New York Times,	"
9	2	Callender, McAuslan & Troup,	"
10	41	Vogue Co. (Nast Group),	"
10	1	Bickmore & Co.,	Old Town, Me.
11 to 1000		Not in use.	
1001	22	Met. Life Ins. Co.,	N. Y. City
1001	14	Henry Mitchell Co.,	Philadelphia
1002	7	B. Altman & Co.,	N. Y. City
1002	33	Cohn, Hall & Marx,	"
1003	26	Telephone Company,	"
1003	3	Southern Pacific R. R.,	"
1004	11	Jas. McCreery & Co.,	"
1004	64	Gimbel Bros.,	"
1005	20	New York Times,	"
1005	60	C. Perceval & Co.,	"
1006	6	National City Bank,	"
1006	29	Equitable Trust Co.,	"
1007	3	Southern Pacific R. R.,	"
1007	3	Ill. Com'l Men's Assn.,	Chicago
1008	22	Met. Life Ins. Co.,	N. Y. City
1008	3	Telephone Co.,	Washington
1009	8	Guaranty Trust Co.,	N. Y. City
1009	2	Federal Reserve Bank,	Minneapolis
1010	1	Chas. Williams Stores,	Brooklyn
1011	16	Postage Meter Co.,	Philadelphia
1012	7	Sears, Roebuck & Co.,	"
1013	10	Ronald Press,	N. Y. City
1013	2	Ill. Trav. Men's Health A.,	Chicago
1014	1	John Wanamaker,	Philadelphia
1015	9	Fenton Label Co.,	"
1016	13	Review of Reviews,	N. Y. City
1016	5	Fred'k Loeser & Co.,	Brooklyn
1017	7	B. Altman & Co.,	N. Y. City
1017	1	Bickmore & Co.,	Old Town, Me.
1018	21	Cunard Steamship Co.,	N. Y. City
1019	10	Ronald Press,	"
1020	13	Review of Reviews,	"
1020	2	Ill. Trav. Men's H. Assn.,	Chicago
1021	12	McCall Pub. Co.,	N. Y. City
1021	1	Southern Distrib. Co.,	St. Louis
1022	17	Equitable Life A. Soc.,	N. Y. City
1022	3	Telephone Co.,	Pittsburgh
1023	3	Bond & Mort. Guar. Co.,	Brooklyn
1023	1	Federal Reserve Bank,	Dallas, Tex.
1024		Not in use.	
1025	15	Central Union Tr. Co.,	N. Y. City
1026	42	N. E. Tire & Rub. Co.,	"
1027	30	National Surety Co.,	"
1028	19	Federal Reserve Bank,	"
1029	19	"	"
1029	2	Federal Reserve Bank,	Minneapolis
1030	1	Federal Reserve Bank,	Dallas, Tex.
1031	19	Federal Reserve Bank,	N. Y. City
1032	35	American Relief Admin.,	"
1033	27	Julius Kayser & Co.,	"
1033	70	Inter. Develop. Co.,	"
1034	29	Equitable Trust Co.,	"
1035	32	Samstag & Hilder Bros.,	"
1035	3	Telephone Co.,	Harrisburg, Pa.
1036	7	Sears, Roebuck & Co.,	Philadelphia
1037	3	Bond & Mort. Guar. Co.,	Brooklyn
1037	27	Julius Kayser & Co.,	N. Y. City
1038	33	Cohn, Hall, Marx Co.,	"
1038	3	Bond & Mort. Guar. Co.,	Brooklyn
1039	1	Butler Bros.,	Jersey City
1039	40	Claflins, Inc.,	N. Y. City
1040	12	McCall Pub. Co.,	"
1041	13	Review of Reviews,	N. Y. City
1042	41	Vogue Co. (Nast Group),	"
1042	13	Review of Reviews,	"
1043	13	"	"
1043	7	B. Altman & Co.,	"
1044	5	Fred'k Loeser & Co.,	Brooklyn
1045	26	Telephone Co.,	N.Y. City
1046		Not in use.	
1047	1	Telephone Co.,	Newark, N. J.
1047	17	Equitable Life A. Soc.,	N. Y. City
1048	26	Telephone Co.,	"
1048	1	Commerce Tr. Co.,	Kansas City, Mo.
1049	43	Brooks Bros.,	N. Y. City
1049	3	Telephone Co.,	New Haven, Conn.
1050	39	Lamborn Bros.,	N. Y. City
1050	17	Telephone Co.,	Philadelphia
1051	29	Equitable Trust Co.,	N. Y. City
1051	59	Am. Exch. Nat. Bank,	"
1052	47	Street Railway Adv. Co.,	"
1052	18	Telephone Co.,	Philadelphia
1053	46	Schwarzenbach, H. & Co.,	N. Y. City
1053	1	MishawakaWool.Co.,	Mishawaka, Ind.
1054	48	Sun-Herald Corp.,	N. Y. City
1054	1	Postage Meter Co.,	Chicago
1055	9	Fenton Label Co.,	Philadelphia
1056	40	Claflins, Inc.,	N. Y. City
1057	6	National City Bank,	"
1058	3	Bond & Mort. Guar. Co.,	Brooklyn
1059	6	National City Bank,	N. Y. City
1060		Not in use.	
1061	60	C. Perceval & Co.,	"
1062	25	Franklin Simon & Co.,	"
1063	22	Metropolitan Life Ins.,	"
1064	7	B. Altman & Co.,	"
1065	20	N. Y. Times (Annalist),	"
1066	3	Ill. Com'l Men's Assn.,	Chicago
1067	44	Cohn, Goldman & Co.,	N. Y. City
1067	8	Eberhard Faber,	Brooklyn
1068	4	Abraham & Straus,	"
1068	4	Ferguson McKinney Mfg. Co.,	St. Louis
1069	37	H. R. Mallison & Co.,	N. Y. City
1070	40	Claflins, Inc.,	"
1070	69	Nat. Bank of Commerce,	"
1071	10	Gimbel Bros.,	Philadelphia
1072	12	Federal Reserve Bank,	"
1073	12	McCall Pub. Co.,	N. Y. City
1074	13	Review of Reviews,	"
1075	49	Chase Nat. Bank,	"
1076	1	Pitney-Bowes P. Met. Co.,	Stamford
1077	51	Pres Pub. Co. (World),	N. Y. City
1078	1	Hartfd. Fire Ins.Co.,	Hartford, Conn.
1078	1	Am. Smelting & Ref. Co.,	N. Y. City
1079	6	Austin, Nichols & Co.,	Brooklyn
1080	2	State Workman's Ins. Fund,	Harrisburg, Pa.
1081	1	Endicott-Johns.Corp.,	Endicott, N.Y.
1082	1	Comm. Trav. M. A.A.A.,	Utica, N.Y.
1083	3	Telephone Co.,	Buffalo
1084	2	Telephone Co.,	Albany, N. Y.
1085		Not in use.	
1086	57	Corn Products Ref. Co.,	N. Y.
1087	4	John Wanamaker, (Internat. Clearing House),	
1088	14	Am. Tel. & Teleg. Co.,	
1089	50	Chemical Nat. Bank,	
1090	14	Am. Tel. & Teleg. Co.,	
1091	1	New Process Co.,	Warren
1092	51	Press Pub. Co.,	N. Y.
1093	48	Sun-Herald Corp.,	
1094	1	Hartfd. Fire Ins.Co.,	Hartford, C
1095	1	Telephone Co.,	Syracuse, N
1096	9	Postage Meter Co.,	N. Y.
1097	53	Burroughs Add. Mch. Co.,	
1098	1	New Process Co.,	Warren
1099	4	Abraham & Straus,	Broo
1100	9	Postage Meter Co.,	N. Y.
1101	1	Hartfd. Fire Ins.Co.,	Hartford, C
1102	57	Corn Prod. Ref. Co.,	N. Y.
1103	55	Funk & Wagnalls,	
1104	54	McGraw-Hall Co.,	
1105	20	N. Y. Times,	
1106	41	Vogue Co. (Nast Group),	
1107	32	Samstag & Hilder Bros.,	
1108	6	Austin Nichols & Co.,	Broo
1109	49	Chase Nat. Bank,	N. Y.
1110	1	Hartfd. Fire Ins.Co.,	Hartford, C
1111	6	National City Bank,	N. Y.
1112	19	Federal Reserve Bank,	
1113	1	"	Dallas,
1114	55	Funk & Wagnalls,	N. Y.
1115	56	Geo. Borgfeldt & Co.,	
1116	54	McGraw-Haile Co.,	
1117	8	Guaranty Trust Co.,	
1118	26	Telephone Co.,	
1119	1	Detroit Edison Co.,	Det
1120	1	Com'l Trav. M. A.A.A.,	Utica, N
1121	4	Marshall Field & Co.,	Chi
1122	6	Carson Pierie Scott & Co.,	
1123	10	Ronald Press,	N. Y.
1124		Not in use.	
1125		Not in use.	
1126	48	Sun-Herald Corp.,	N. Y.
1127	39	Lamborn & Co.,	
1128	47	Street Railway Adv. Co.,	
1129	25	Franklin Simon & Co.,	
1130	43	Brooks Bros.,	
1131	28	H. Fisk & Sons,	
1132	46	Schwarzenbach, Hilder & Co.,	
1133	26	Telephone Co.,	
1134	59	Am. Exch. Nat. Bank,	
1135	2	Schwarbacher-Frey Co.,	San
1136	12	Associated Press,	Chi
1137	1	Telephone Co.,	Newark,
1138		Not in use.	
1139	11	Montgomery-Ward & Co.	Chi
1140-1144		Not in use.	
1145	8	Guaranty Trust Co.,	N. Y.
1146	16	Postage Meter Co.,	Philade
1147		Not in use.	
1148	12	Federal Reserve Bank,	Philade
1149		Not in use.	
1150	10	Central Trust Co.,	Chi
1151	32	Samstag & Holder Bros.,	N. Y.
1152	66	Bamont Corliss Co.,	
1153	1	D. H .Holmes Co.,	New Or
1154	9	Telephone Co.,	Chi
1155	1	Federal Reserve Bank,	Dallas,
1156	1	Telephone Co.,	Newark,
1157	62	Sacks & Co.,	N. Y.
1158	9	Telephone Co.,	Chi
1159	4	Abraham & Straus,	Broo
1160		Not in use.	
1161	7	Sears, Roebuck & Co.,	Philade
1162-1169		Not in use.	
1170	12	Federal Reserve Bank,	Philade
1171	1	Postage Meter Co.,	Chi
1172	8	Guaranty Trust Co.,	N.
1173	69	Nat. Bank of Commerce,	
1174	11	Montgomery Ward & Co.,	Chi
1175	67	Blair & Co.,	N. Y.
1176	60	C. Perceval & Co.,	
1176	2	Telephone Co.,	Broo
1177	19	Jordan Marsh Co.,	Bos
1178	1	Telephone Co.,	Richmond
1179	1	Bickmore Co.,	Old Town,
1180	71	John Wiley & Sons,	N. Y.
1181	12	Associated Press,	Chi
1182		Not in use.	
1183	73	L. Ernstein & Bro.,	N. Y.
1184	71	John Wiley & Sons,	
1185		Not in use.	
1186	1	Bank of Italy,	San Franc
1187	1	Telephone Co.,	Mt. Vernon, N
1188	74	N. Y. Life Ins. Co.,	N. Y.
1189	19	Phila. Electric Co.,	Philadel
1190	2	Telephone Co.,	Charleston, W.
1191		Not in use.	
1192	4	National Geog. Soc.,	Washin
1193		Not in use.	
1194	9	Knox Hat Co.,	Broo.
1195		Not in use.	
1196	2	Franklin Life Ins. Co.,	Springfield

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Bell Telephone Co.. (see Telephone Company)
Bickmore & Co., Old Town, Me. (1) 10, 1017, 1179
Blair & Co., Inc., N. Y. C. (67) 1175
Bond & Mortgage Guar. Co., Brooklyn (3) 1023, 1037, 1038, 1058
Borgfeldt (Geo.) & Co., N. Y. C. (56) 1115
Brooks Brothers, N. Y. C. (43) 1049, 1130
Burroughs Add. Machine Co., N. Y. C. (53) 1097
Butler Bros., Jersey City, N. J. (1) 7, 1039
Carson Pierie Scott & Co., Chicago (6) 1122
Central Trust Co., Chicago (10) 1150
Central Union Trust Co., N. Y. C. (15) 1025
Chase Nat. Bank, N. Y. C. (49) 1075, 1109
Chemical Nat. Bank, N. Y. C. (50) 1089
Chesapeake & Potomac Tel. Co. (see Telephone Co.)
Claflins, Inc., N. Y. C. (40) 1039, 1056, 1070
Cohn, Goldman & Co., N. Y. C. (44) 8, 1067
Cohn, Hall, Marx Co., N. Y. C. (33) 1002, 1038
Columbia Trust Co., N. Y. C. (65) ?
Commerce Tr. Co., Kansas City, Mo. (1) 1048
Commercial Travelers' Mutual Accident Association of America, Utica, N. Y. (1) 5, 1082, 1120
Corn Products Refining Co., N. Y. C. (57) 1086, 1102
Cunard Steamship Co., N. Y. C. (21) 1018
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Equitable Trust Co., N. Y. C. (29) 1006, 1034, 1051
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" Minneapolis (2) 1009, 1029
" Philadelphia (12) 1072,1148,1170
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Field (Marshall) & Co., Chicago (4) 1121
Fisk (Harvey) & Sons, N. Y. C. (28) 1131
Franklin Life Ins. Co., Springfield, Ill. (2) 1196
Funk & Wagnalls, N. Y. C. (55) 1103, 1114
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" Philadelphia (10) 1071
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Mitchell (Henry) Co., Philadelphia (14) 1001
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Nat. Bank of Commerce, N.Y.C. (69)1070, 1173
National City Bank, N. Y. C. (6) 4, 1006, 1057, 1059, 1111
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AN OPEN LETTER TO POSTAL EMPLOYEES.

Will the Postal Employee who is removing stamps from foreign registered mail please note? If the Post Office Clerk, Railway Mail Clerk or Sea Postal Clerk who has been removing stamps from the covers of my registered foreign letters, will write me I will gladly send him some stamps and a little friendly advice along with them.

The latest offence was the removal of a set of the new Austrian Charity stamps from the cover. I have been receiving a number of letters from the Dutch Indies and rarely one gets through without some of the stamps being removed. I know these stamps have not fallen off the covers of their own accord, as in several instances a knife had been used so effectually that the heavy envelope was nearly cut through, and I am sure that the stamp was in first class condition—not thinned or torn in removing.

It is not so much the value of the stamps involved, as it is the disappointment one feels on receiving the covers denuded of their stamps. However, I had paid a friend in Austria some good U. S. A. money to mail the charity stamps to me.

In connection with this I might state that I am a postal employee and have been for about 18 years. I have never removed from the cover a stamp, without the owner's consent, and am not going to until I have a change of heart in regard to this practice. I have handled thousands of registered letters and parcels of foreign origin, as part of the time I was a railway mail clerk on a run with a heavy foreign mail.

I have in my collection a great many stamps obtained from the mail handled by me, but as I have said, none without the owner's consent.

I asked the owners for them (and offered to pay in most cases) and some of the owners were thousands of miles away. I had at hand, stamped envelopes and a few typewritten letters. When I saw in the mails, stamps that I wanted for my collection, I sent the addressee one of these letters and enclosed a stamped envelope.

I very rarely failed to receive the desired stamps, and have made some good philatelic friends in this manner. In a few instances, I have received the stamps and others along with them. In one or two cases, they wanted to know what they were worth, etc., etc., and why should one want to collect cancelled stamps. I always sent some literature dealing with stamp collecting. One young German out on a ranch in Wyoming sent me the stamps asked for, and some others, stating that he had some more like them. He said stamps had always appealed to him, but he did not know that anybody collected them. Maybe you think I didn't send him some stamps and stamp papers, and the last I heard of him he was in the game.

Now you postal employees who can't resist the temptation to take other people's property, try this out and see if you don't get more stamps and feel better. Just remember that the stamps you are removing are not your property, and that the letter might be going to a fellow collector.

Yours truly,
W. A. CULLERS,
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WITHIN THE LAW.

Congressman Hull, of Iowa, sent free seeds to a constituent in a franked envelope, on the corner of which were the usual words: "Penalty for private use, $300." A few days later he received a letter which read:

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WASHINGTON, June 26, 1922.

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PAUL HENDERSON,
Second Assistant Postmaster General.

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June 28, 1922.

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By EDWARD S. KNAPP.

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Addressed to "Major Wm. M. Stone, Mobile, Ala." It reads:

"Camden, Wilcox Co., Ala.
27 June, 1864.

Major Wm. M. Stone,

Dear Sir,

I write to call your attention to the case of James L. Godbold, who before the passage of the last Exemption Act, applied for exemption from Military Service under the "20 Negro Law," and paid 500 dollars to the Post Quarter Master at this place. The receipt was sent to your office, in accordance with orders to that effect, and as he has since had to apply for exemption under the "Meat Law" and has received no benefit from the payment of his money—not even an exemption—he is entitled to have the money refunded. This cannot be done without the production of his receipt. If not sent off, you will oblige by enclosing it to me.

Yours very truly,
S. G. COCHRAN."

The general purpose of these two laws seems to have been as follows:

"The 20 Negro Law."

It was considered necessary to the good of the community, that there should be one superintendent over every 20 negro slaves, to look after them and keep them under control and, therefore, any owner of 20 negro slaves might secure exemption under this law, on payment of a certain sum of money to the government, and, for each additional 20 slaves that he owned, he could procure exemption for one additional white man, to assist him in managing those slaves.

"The Meat Law."

Any man who owned a certain number of cattle might secure exemption from Military Service, in order that he might take proper care of those cattle—but—he must give a certain percentage of those cattle to the government, to provide food for the army.

Can any of my readers give me further information concerning these two laws, or concerning other Exemption Laws of a similar nature? Address E. S. KNAPP, Islip, Long Island, N. Y.

AKRON OHIO.

In spite of the recent warm weather, the Rubber City Stamp Club had eighteen at the regular session recently, when three new applications were received. With recent admissions, the total membership has been increased to forty-eight, while the numerous activities of the society are attracting attention.

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By HARRY E. HUBER.

Late in 1920, the Executive Council of the Leeward Islands decided upon a new design for the stamps of the British Virgin Islands, and in March, 1921, the Crown Agents announced that "Postage and Revenue stamps have been prepared in the conventional size, showing a figure of the Virgin in addition to the King's head."

Of late there has been a pronounced tendency on the part of many of the Colonies to discard the De La Rue key-plate designs, and adopt ones of a distinctive character, with the result that the general standard of stamp designs has greatly improved over the low level to which it sank in the last decade of the 19th century.

The "King's head and Arms type," so popular at present, is an adaptation of that used by Barbados, for the 3d, 4d and 6d stamps of the series issued August 13, 1912, though its effectiveness has been spoiled in subsequent designs, by crowding the seal portion into a small oval or shield. Stamps of "conventional size" (18½ x 22½ mm.) in this design have been issued by British Guiana (1913), Montserrat (1916), and Antigua, (1921), but the same general design has been treated in a larger form (30 x 25 mm.), for St. Kitts-Nevis (1920), Bermuda's first Legislative Tercentenary series (1920), Bahamas Peace (1920), and British Honduras Peace (1921). The copper plate process was used for Bahamas and British Honduras, and typography for the others.

The figure of the Virgin is not a new one to stamp designs of the British Virgins, as it has been used on three previous occasions,—for the 1d and 6d (1866), 4d and 1s (1867) and the 1899 series, but only in the first named is the representation of the seal of the Presidency correctly shown. This, as it appears on the seal of the Leeward Islands Colony (which contains the six shields of the Presidencies forming the Federation), has the Virgin robed, facing the left, with six lamps at either side (one of which she holds in her right hand), arranged vertically. The female figure represents the Constellation of Virgo, the sixth sign of the Zodiac, and the twelve lamps indicate the twelve signs of the Zodiac.

The formal Order in Council respecting the new series was made at an Extraordinary meeting of the Executive Council, held at the Court House, St. John's, Antigua, on Friday, March 24th, 1922.

Order-in-Council.

WHEREAS, it is enacted by Section 3 of the Leeward Islands General Stamp Act, 1890, as amended by the Leeward Islands Stamp Act, 1902, that there shall be a uniform stamp or stamps for use throughout the Colony whereby all Postage Rates and Stamp Duties may be respectively denoted or expressed, and such stamps shall be adhesive or embossed or impressed or otherwise as the Governor shall by Order-in-Council from time to time direct. Provided that the Governor may from time to time by Order-in-Council direct that a special Stamp or Stamps may be used in each or any Presidency concurrently with such uniform stamp or stamps aforesaid.

AND WHEREAS, it is further enacted by Section 4 of the Leeward Islands General Stamp Act, 1890, that the Governor shall from time to time fix the design or designs and the mode in which each design shall be used and the several values of the stamp or stamps to be used in accordance with the said act.

AND WHEREAS, it is desired that there should be a special Stamp of the designs and denominations set out herein for use in the Presidency of the Virgin Islands concurrent with the stamps of the Colony.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Governor-in-Council doth hereby order and direct as follows:—

On and after the 1st day of April, 1922, Special Stamps may be used in the Presidency of the Virgin Islands concurrent with the uniform stamps now in use throughout the Colony of the Leeward Islands.

The several values of the said Special Stamps shall be ½d, 1d, 2d, 2½d, 3d, 5d, 6d, 1s, 2s6d, 5s.

The design of the said Special Stamps for the Presidency of the Virgin Islands shall be in two medallions, one containing the Head of His Majesty, the King, the other the device taken from the Arms of the Seal of the Presidency.

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There are ten values in the series (only the 5d is a new duty), for all of which the design is the same—two medallions—that in the upper left corner having a profile portrait of King George V, in a pearled oval, surmounted by a crown, and partly enclosed by a wreath of laurel,—and in the lower right, the figure of the Virgin (facing the left, like the portrait of the King), holding in her right hand, a lamp, and in her left, what appears to be a sceptre. Six lamps, arranged vertically, are at her left, and six at her right (counting that which she holds). Three of those at her right are only partially shown, being cut into by the medallion, containing the King's portrait. In the upper right corner, within an octagonal shaped opening, is the value, in colorless figures and letters, on a solid ground, impressed from duty plates at a separate operation. "Postage Revenue" in small colorless caps, below the King's portrait, and VIRGIN ISLANDS in serifed colorless caps, at the foot, complete the design.

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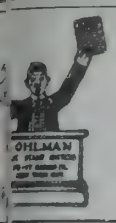

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Cattle, fish and charcoal are exported to St. Thomas, but the staple industry of the British Virgins, is the cultivation of sea island cotton. During the World War, all the cotton produced was commandeered by the British War Office, for aeronautical purposes. Unfortunately, the boll wevil made its appearance, and in 1921, by Government order, all plants were uprooted and burned, and planting prohibited for a period of 2 years. It was due, inter alia, "to the sudden rise in the price of cotton, the collection of outstanding taxes, and the increased supervision on behalf of the Treasury," that the revenue for 1919-20 was the highest on record,—£14,880, with expenditures, £8,149. In the following year the revenue dropped to £11,715, while the expenditures rose to £9,816. From a deficit of £548 in 1919, the surplus funds of the Presidency on March 31st, 1921, had risen to £8,073.

Since prohibition became effective in the American Virgins, the importation of alcoholic liquors into the British Virgins, has greatly increased, and in four years the volume of trade has risen from £16,760 (1916-17), to £67,515 (1920-21). In the latter year the customs contributed to the revenue £5,129, which was three times as much as in any of the preceding ten years (except 1919-20, when it was £2,543), and of this amount £2,100 was duty on liquor importations.

Practically the entire volume of trade is with the United States and this is not surprising when the position of the British Virgins with relation to the other Presidencies of the Federation is considered. St. Kitts, the nearest, is 150 miles off to the southeast, and Antigua, the headquarters of the Colony, is 45 miles to the east of St. Kitts. Montserrat is 27 miles to the southwest of Antigua, and Dominica, the most southern of the group, is 85 miles to the southeast of Montserrat. There are no steamship facilities between the British Virgins and the other Presidencies, or other parts of the British Empire, and it is through St. Thomas in the American Virgins that communication with the outer world is maintained.

By reason of their dependence upon the American Virgins for food supplies, etc., "considerable anxiety has been caused the local administration, due to the fact that the Presidency is dependent for its currency on the Danish National Bank at St. Thomas. Owing to the heavy depreciation of the pound sterling, compared to the American and D. W. I. dollar, varying between 20 and 30%, considerable speculation has taken place, which depleted the Presidency of Danish money and flooded it with Colonial notes, which could not be realised at St. Thomas. More than once a very awkward and anxious situation arose, when the treasury was faced with nothing but Colonial notes, and a mere handful of British silver to pay the peasants for cotton sold to the Government. The peasants relying on the St. Thomas market and shops for purchasing goods, practically refused to accept British silver or Colonial notes. Careful diplomatic handling of the peasants has up to date avoided open unpleasantness, but the situation still remains grave. The local stores, importing all their supplies from the United States, refuse to accept Colonial notes, and dislike accepting British silver."

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Here we are, with the summer solstice barely passed, as immersed in philately as ever. Interest in stamps is red-hot and the heat exhaustion of yesteryears is absent. We suppose that our dictionary has helped to make things lively for us as, in stage parlance, it is a scream and has already taken two bows. We acknowledge that the enthusiasm of friends has had much to do with the successful reception of the book, which, we will admit, makes a good beginning. Of course, there are a good many things omitted but then, there are a host of things that are in it. We are making note of omissions and we are having hearty co-operation in this regard. In order to clean up the first edition as soon as possible, we ask that those who are interested in the book do not relax their efforts to push it to the fore. In this connection, we make the suggestion that those who are in touch with their local libraries, request that the book be ordered for the shelves of their home institutions. Underlying our selfish motive in making this cool proposal is the thought that every dictionary so placed has potentialities for good of the philatelic service. We find that a few books in the possession of a collector have a tendency to anchor him somewhat to philately; and next to having them is an opportunity to examine a stamp volume.

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From Mr. Clarence J. West of the National Research Council, Washington, D. C., we have received a copy of *Conquest,* Great Britain's magazine of popular science, in which Douglas B. Armstrong, editor of the *Stamp Collectors' Monthly Journal,* has an excellent article, profusely illustrated, "The Making of a Postage Stamp-Bank Notes in Miniature." The article thoroughly exemplifies the various operations by which "these useful and ubiquitous scraps of paper" are printed. Mention is made of the Stickney and off-set processes and all in all, the article is especially commended to collectors as there are many in our ranks who at any given time are eager to hear of the details of stamp printing. The advantage gained by the appearance of Mr. Armstrong's contribution in a magazine of the character of *Conquest* is one that is not to be passed over lightly.

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Having recourse to the readable account of the Philatelic Congress, held recently in Bath, England, in our alert and amiable contemporary, *Stamp Collecting,* we shall indulge in a few observations on the meeting which is a replica of the annual convention of the American Philatelic Society in the sense that the art of philately reaches its highest pinnacle in these gatherings of tried and true philatelists. "Beautiful Bath" is lauded as a convention city whose attractions were enjoyed by a representative number of delegates sent by societies affiliated with the congress; and there are nearly forty societies acting as sponsors. It is apparent that the congress is regarded as an occasion that affords an opportunity for advanced discussion of the philatelic problems of the day. The *agenda* is followed closely and the reading of well-prepared papers which are dissected by various of the auditors is the feature of the deliberations. There is a tendency to point the suggestions in a practical way and though the programme is conducted in a rather formal manner that may make it more impressive than the order of business to which we are accustomed, it is plain that the practical and not the theoretical advancement of philately is sought. For instance, the paper read at the congress by W. H. Lawson, "Pro Juventute," whose writer was awarded the Congress Cup, given annually for the best paper, was a well-ordered investigation into a solution of that most important consideration, perhaps the greatest problem in a broad sense that confronts our pursuit today, and that is to inculcate a permanent interest in stamps in the young and to watch their progress with a proper solicitude. We applaud Mr. Lawson for his insight into a subject that should engage wide attention; and as reflecting the scope of his treatise, we append sub-headings of ways and means for accomplishing the desired results: "Don't let any of your Young Friends be under any misunderstanding as to what advertised 'Free Gifts' really mean." "Don't let them, if you can prevent it, develop into School Touts for Firms who specialize in Approval Sheets for Young Collectors." "Don't be superior, even unconsciously." We are pleased to say that some of the stimulative plans proposed by Mr. Lawson are being tried here. In answer to an observation made by one of the auditors, Mr. Lawson said: "I am very conscious there is a certain falling off to a great extent, in boy and girl collectors; is first of all because we have not helped them to hold on to their collections, but I think possibly because people have not given them counsel, direction and help, which is so beneficial." In our opinion, the best work that may be done for philately at present is in training the young philatelic idea; and the sooner practical measures are employed to keep the young in line as collectors, the better it will be for all concerned with stamps.

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An esteemed correspondent in Washington informs us that the Stamp Agency in the capital was put to some annoyance by the announcement that the new special delivery stamp was to be placed on sale as of the morning of July 11th, when they were not to be on sale until the following morning or July 12th at 11 a. m. In our issue of June 24th, a paragraph told of a resolution introduced into Congress providing for a special "turkey trot" cancellation to celebrate festivities at Cuero, Texas, next November 9, 10 and 11, 1922. The post office department has ruled thumbs down on the inclusion of the words, "Turkey Trot," but has sanctioned a marking that is described as showing "the picture of a turkey running with a streamer in its mouth and the wording, 'Cuero, Tex., November 9, 10 and 11, 1922.'" The P. O. D. thinks that if it lets down the bars, its tolerance will be a signal for the homely American humorists to work over-time.

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The *Infantry Journal* published at Washington by the United States Infantry Association is a most readable monthly magazine of solid merit, that, while appealing primarily to army men, could yet be read profitably by the general public. We make our devoirs to the editor, Lieut. Col. Wm. H. Waldron and eke, the managing editor, G. H. Powell, for an editorial in the July issue, "Army Stamp Collectors," that we shall lift for the benefit of our readers. It is said: "Many officers of the Army are enthusiastic philatelists and there are a large number of splendid collections scattered throughout the service." If we did not take this opportunity to say that the officers in the service, land and sea, who are collectors are among the finest philatelists of our day and that to not a few of whom the WEEKLY is under obligations for favors received, we should be guilty of a sin of omission.

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Most of our readers must be familiar by this time with the slogan "Address your mail to street and number." These have been used on the leading makes of cancelling machines in most of the large cities for more than a year. Imagine the surprise of those who are following this interesting game of postal markings closely to find this slogan attached to a fourth class office handstamper.

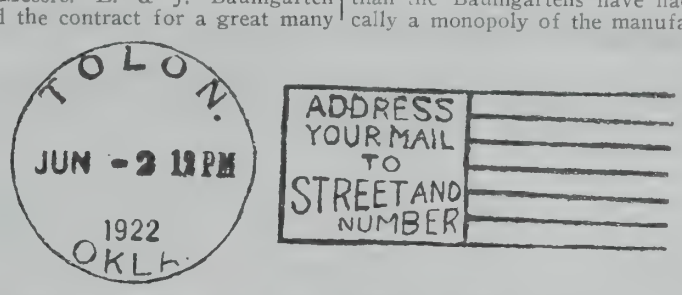
A number of years ago the P. O. Dept. decided on certain definite designs of handstampers so that all four classes of post offices could be readily distinguished by the impression and form of the postmark. Messrs. E. & J. Baumgarten have had the contract for a great many years to supply rubber faced handstampers for fourth class offices as well as practically everything in the way of rubber stamps, type and handles for same. We understand that their father and grandfather had the contract before them.

The only patent that we can find under this name was taken out on July 19, 1892, by Herman Baumgarten and numbered 479,199, which consisted mainly of improvements on previous devices of this kind.

We are informed that postmasters are requested to send their order to the P. O. Dept. for any devices they need, and the P. O. Dept. in turn places the order to the firm under contract for that class of device, which is plainly stated to be of the regulation form. It is possible for an occasional variation to be placed in use unknown to the post office officials and we have noted several in the past few years. Still, the one that we are illustrating is most extraordinary if we fully understand the conditions under which these are made.

The earliest date of this design that we noted was December 8, 1921. We avoided writing direct to postmasters but started a little investigation of our own. So far we have located ten post offices of the fourth class that have used these. We received a letter dated May 25, 1922, from the office of the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General, from which we quote as follows: "You are informed that the impression was made by a hand postmarking stamp which the postmasters of these offices undoubtedly had made at their own expense, as the Department has not authorized the use of legends in connection with hand postmarking stamps, such as this one, or those of any other character."

At least two of these offices that were using this legend just previous to the time that we communicated with the P. O. Dept. discontinued their use June 1st. Whether there is any significance in this, we are unable to state. We have learned from several sources that these dies were supplied by Mr. E. Baumgarten. Through influential parties located in the same city with the Messrs. Baumgarten we have endeavored to get some inside information as to the manufacture of these devices without any result other than the Baumgartens have had practically a monopoly of the manufacture of rubber faced handstampers for more than fifty years.



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	Tolon.
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	Coopersburg.
	Venango.
Va.	Basic.

It is very doubtful if the P. O. Dept. will ever permit advertising slogans or legends to appear on small town handstampers in any great number. For this reason these are not only interesting, but are more or less of value. Will our readers please keep a close lookout for any other offices than the above mentioned and submit at least one specimen to the writer so that we chronicle them from time to time and eventually obtain a complete check list. Please address all correspondence on this subject as well as anything new or out of the ordinary in postal markings to the writer, at 80 Grant St., Buffalo, N. Y.

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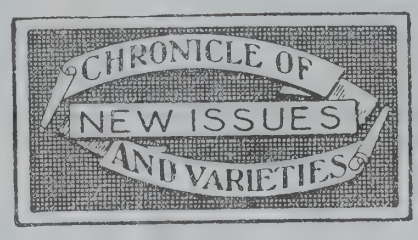

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—In my last Chronicle mention was made of the new Special Delivery stamp that was about to be issued. Since those notes were written the stamp has appeared in Washington where it was placed on sale at the main Post Office on Wednesday, July 12th. The variety is blue and similar in color and size to the previous design. It is perforated 11, unwatermarked and printed in sheets of 200 which in turn are cut into post office panes of 50. So far, I have seen stamps from plates bearing numbers 13917, 13918 and 13920 and suppose 13919 is the fourth plate used for making the first printing. One of the bottom plate numbers of 13918 shows the "F" signifying finished, in an inverted position to the right of the number.

Director L. B. Hill of the Bureau of Engraving & Printing accompanied by Mr. Warren Irving Glover, the Third Assistant Postmaster General in addition to Mr. M. L. Eidsness, Jr., Chief of the Stamp Division, were present at the time the first sheet of Special Delivery stamps was printed and attached their signatures to the margins of the sheet.

The stamps were first placed on sale at the window of the Philatelic Stamp Agent and the Washington papers show an illustration of Postmaster General Work buying the first copy from Mr. H. A. Mount, the Agent. This copy we are told will be presented to President Harding along with a die proof. The second copy was purchased by Mr. Glover, who presented it to Mrs. Glover, an enthusiastic stamp collector. The first copy to be sent through the mail officially from the Department was received on a Special Delivery Registered Letter by your Editor and bears the postmarks, etc., of the first day.

This is the first postage stamp turned out by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing since the radical change in the personnel made early in the year. The Director is to be congratulated, for the stamp is attractive, well balanced, not over-crowded and well engraved. In the center we find a special delivery messenger in uniform with case over his shoulder delivering a letter to the front door of a colonial mansion. An elderly lady in a dress to match the home, that is quite colonial, is receiving the letter. To the right we find a motorcycle parked. On both sides of the door we find colonial windows with small cedar trees to balance the design. Across the entire top is "UNITED STATES POSTAGE", immediately below "SPECIAL DELIVERY" followed by "AT ANY UNITED STATES POST OFFICE" to the right in three lines. Enclosed within circles in the lower corners are the figures "10" and between these figures across the bottom "TEN CENTS". The longer the stamp is studied the more attractive it appears. It is not true to life however for we have as yet to see the first delivery of a special letter via motorcycle. In this part of the country they generally follow immediately after the regular mail.

We desire to thank Messrs. H. W. Porter, L. P. McLaughlin, J. H. Houston and C. J. West for clippings and information relative to this issue.

1922, Perforated 11, Unwatermarked.
10c Blue, Special Delivery.

We also learn with a great deal of interest from a source that we consider reliable that the Department is contemplating the issue of an entirely new series of adhesive postage stamps. The denominations and designs have not definitely been decided upon but we can be pretty sure that it will include those of the present issue. The designs will not be limited to Washington and Franklin but will show other Americans of national importance, who, we cannot say but we understand the late Theodore Roosevelt will be one of them. Let us hope that the change will soon come for we are certainly getting tired of the current design which has been running for fourteen years.

We wish to thank Messrs. R. Edward Sharp, F. R. Demmerly, Charles C. Dargue and Frank Gumm, Jr., for notes of interest.

GREECE.—Our Special Correspondent, Mr. G. Brandi, informs us that the 10 and 25 drachmas values in the 1911 types (respectively Hermes and Arcas and Hermes) have now appeared in a lithographed form, both in blue.—*Stamp Collecting.*

LEEWARD ISLANDS.—Mr. J. A. Galbraith calls attention to the 2s current type stamp, recently printed on multiple CA paper and reports this is a rare stamp and hard to secure.

LIBIA.—The Economist Stamp Co. submit copies of the 25c blue and 50c violet of the 1906-08 issue, with the surcharges "Libia" on both at the base and the first-mentioned value overprinted "C 80" and the latter "C. 40" both in black. Also the 25c rose special delivery stamp surcharged "Cent. 60" and the 30c blue and rose with the overprint "1, 60 LIRE 1, 60". Both of the last mentioned values have the word "Libia" at the base of the stamp in black.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—Give the medal to Springfield, the American Philatelic Society convention city for 1922, August 14 to 17, as it has hit the bull's-eye in mid-center. That city was notified on July 15th that the post office department would give it a special cancellation for the convention; and this recognition together with the convention stickers will practically insure the success of Springfield's meeting. We suggest that those who expect to attend the festivities send in their reservations at the hotel without

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Many officers of the Army are enthusiastic philatelists and there are a large number of splendid collections scattered throughout the service. It would be well for the service collectors to get together with a view to co-operation in the game of exchanging duplicates with one another. The *Infantry Journal* will assist to the extent of publishing the names of the members of the Association who desire it. Just drop us a postal card requesting that your name be included in the next list published. Please note your specialty, if you have one. —*Infantry Journal,* Washington, D. C.

SPECIAL-DELIVERY STAMP, NEW DESIGN, 1922.

WASHINGTON, July 12, 1922.

1. Postmasters and other officers and employees of the Postal Service are notified that the department has issued a new special-delivery stamp which will replace the present stamp, known as the issue of 1902.

2. A description follows: The stamp is the same shape and size, 1.42 by 0.83 inch, as the former special-delivery stamp, and is printed in blue ink. The central design is the front of a Colonial residence, showing a motor cycle parked against the curb with the special-delivery messenger delivering a letter. At the top of the stamp in white-face letters appear the words "United States Postage," and in two ribbons just below, and on either side of the picture, appear the words "Special" and "Delivery" in dark letters. To the right, and just above the motor cycle are the words "At any United States post office," and on both lower corners are circles containing the numerals "10" connected by a panel in which appears the words "Ten Cents" in white letters.

3. The new special-delivery stamps will not be issued to postmasters until the present supply of the 1902 issue is exhausted. However, the first issue of the new stamp was placed on sale July 12, 1922, at the Philatelic Stamp Agency, Division of Stamps, Post Office Department, for the benefit of stamp collectors and dealers. All inquiries from stamp collectors should be referred to the Philatelic Stamp Agency.

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We use the telephone every day. Have we no interest in the methods that enable a voice to be carried over a wire, or in later developments carried through the air that we call radio? Are we so familiar with the many wonders of our age that we are not curious to know something of the work and the methods that have accomplished these things? Have we looked at postage stamps all these years and seen nothing on them but the original colors, work of the engraver and his defects, perforations, etc.? Most of us can tell the difference between an o. g. and a used, but when discussing a used stamp about all the points that are considered are the characteristics of the o. g.

There is an exception. Quite a few get inquisitive about the funny marks on some of the early U. S. Some call these postmarks and others call them cancellations. When anything is said in print about a postmark quite a few write in and ask the question, "Just what is a postmark?" They have probably torn stamps off the original envelope by the thousand, then they have spent more time "soaking" them off the paper, drying them, dipping them in benzine, handling them with tongs, licking hinges, etc. They can tell you all about these methods, but the postmark went in the waste basket without a glance.

When the post office department first put their heads together to devise methods to cancel their receipts they continued their previous practice of using a hand stamper that printed the name of the post office and state with the date which they called and still call the postmark. Another device was added to cancel the postage stamp. Later these two devices were joined together, but regardless of what changes were made the main idea and conditions exist up to the present day. The only time that a postmark could possibly be called a cancellation was when the postmark was struck on the stamp without evidence of another cancelling device being used. But in this case it would be a postmark as well as cancellation.

This distinction between a postmark and a cancellation seems such a simple proposition that once telling would be sufficient, but it has been necessary to repeat it a number of times to some, and they may not understand it yet. The post office department insists that all postmasters place a clear impression of their postmark on all letters that leave their office. This rule is not obeyed, but it goes to prove that the department wants this information to show on every parcel of mail that they carry. This is shown on penalty envelopes as well as free mail from government employees. It would appear as though the P. O. Dept. considered the postmark and cancellation of equal importance.

We are considering postage stamps as government receipts. The government receipt includes with the postage stamp the postmark and cancellation. Here are three separate and distinct parts to make up a complete whole, or in other words the government insists that these three parts complete their receipt. One group of philatelists destroy two of these parts and keep one, the stamp. Another keeps only the postmark, and if he does not destroy the stamp, it is separated and placed in another collection.

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themselves, and the other for the markings on the stamps. Then we turn to our covers (entires) and here is where the fun really begins. Before cutting or tearing the covers in any way be sure that you understand something of the value of the postal markings. In many cases it is necessary to retain the entire cover in order to have it represent its full value, in other cases a part of the cover including the postage stamp with the postal markings is sufficient. When the postmark is indistinct, otherwise damaged, or of a large city and of a very common type then the postage stamp is all that is worth saving.

Suppose we have access to a large quantity of covers. As every one realizes these are bulky, they have been roughly opened, they are of different sizes and their appearance as a whole is not attractive. Some we find are keeping their covers in box files, others mount them. The latter method is preferable until the quantity gets beyond reasonable bounds. Right here is when a condensing method is needed. Suppose we tear or cut out the corner to include the postal markings with the postage stamp to save as little of the envelope as possible. We find by this method that we have many shapes and sizes and in consequence a condition which somewhat detracts from the general appearance.

In order to check up our collection and to eliminate the duplicates we must arrange them in some systematic way so that we can refer to them. To mount them in an album as we get them means a constant rearrangement. Our intentions may be to keep only a few of these, but as time goes on new varieties come our way and the more we study postmarks the more interested we become, so we can never tell just how far our interest will lead us.

Instead of immediately mounting this collection, suppose we hold this up for a while. To get rid of our bulk of entires, let's decide to cut these out uniform so that we have only the front of the envelope. In 1912, when the International Postmark Society was organized, the members voted on this question and it was decided to cut them 2x4. That is, four inches East and West and two inches North and South. This size was recommended for the reason that it would include the postmark with the stamp and cancellation in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred. The majority of members have followed this method, although there are some that cut these out larger. The main thing is to adopt a uniform size, then file these slips as you would a card index. This method is practicable for any quantity over five hundred. Guide cards can be made two and a half inches high by four wide to designate the post office or state and a close tab can be kept on the collection. New varieties can be added and duplicates can be easily removed for trading and the collection can grow to unlimited proportions without a handicap.

The above we will call a temporary arrangement. This may be worked over for years until finally the owner decides that he wants this collection where he can view it. It is already arranged and all that is necessary is for him to select the varieties that he wishes to mount for his own private collection. These he can trim smaller and mount in an album according to his own ideas. Among nearly a thousand collectors that I either know personally, or by correspondence, I find that fully ninety percent collect along the above lines. There are millions and millions of the government receipts stored away in these collections. Philatelists who have ignored the point of mailing could find among these millions a great many stamps that would excite their envy. The stamps are in as good condition as they would have been on the original cover, they are in the same condition as they would be hidden away in the old attic. Those of you who have located a "find" can remember your excitement and the pleasure you derived from the discovery. If you still delight in this sort of excitement, better look up the postmark collectors, for instead of an attic full of dust and cobwebs your "find" will be arranged for your convenience. You will usually find the owner a man of intelligence who can tell you something about the associations of the postage stamp that perhaps you never knew.

The stamps that you are looking for have lost none of their value. If you prefer you can remove them from the piece of cover as easily as you could from the entire, but if you will listen to the advice of the postmark collector you will leave the government receipt complete.

In the past year or two philatelists have acknowledged through the press and in correspondence that they are considering the postmark. Auction catalogs are listing the postmark with the stamp whenever they can get these specimens. In articles on stamps it is now the proper thing to include a few of the main designs of postmarks used during the period of the stamps that they are describing. We have answered hundreds of letters from well known philatelists who have written us for specimens during a certain period, in connection with a certain stamp issue, or of a certain town or locality, or in connection with a certain cancellation. The information that we were able to give them was of considerable assistance to them in their work.

During the last year especially we have noted many approval lots and society circuits have contained stamps with postal markings on very badly torn pieces of cover; torn in such a way that it would be impossible to make them neat appearing by trimming. The pricing of these specimens as well as many approval lots of entire covers shows how little the owners knew about the new philately. Some marked rare and priced much higher were in reality very common stuff, others were priced way below the market value. There is a wide range of prices on the same material. Philatelists who have never studied postal markings know just about as much about their value as a four-year-old. Most of them, however, have heard enough to know that the markings add to the value of the postage stamp. This fact is true enough and one need only to look over the prices realized at auction on this material to be convinced.

To experienced stamp men "condition" is one of the main factors governing price. You insist that no perforations be missing, no torn or damaged edges, no thin spots, no heavy cancellations, etc. You seem to take it for granted that any child should know this. And it is true that any one dealing or selling stamps to you should know it. Thousands of stamp men, although not collectors of postal markings, are anxious to sell these to collectors, but at the same time are not willing to learn the rules of the game.

The size of 2x4 was adopted for convenience of filing. Millions of marks have already been cut this size and if you wish to trade with these collectors there is no use trying to sell them anything smaller, only in exceptional cases of some rare type. And again 2x4 doesn't mean 1¾x3¾ or any fraction less. If you ever tried to finger over a card file where some of them were a sixteenth of an inch shy you could better realize that instead of a post-

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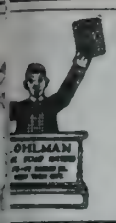

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mark collector being a crank, he is insisting on this for convenience in looking them over. This size question is just as important as the torn corner is to your stamp. A piece of glass or metal made to exact measurements, with square corners, can be laid over the postal marking and trimmed around with the shears with very little trouble and the results are all that could be desired. If it is too much trouble to have one of these gauges made, cut out a piece of card board *larger* than 2x4 and then the buyer can trim them down to the proper size. There is a limited market for markings cut smaller than 2x4, but if everyone who has an opportunity to cut these out of good covers would hold to the rules of this size, those who want them smaller can very easily trim them down.

It is safe to say that only about twenty-five percent of postage stamps as they run are worth saving. But when some of you fellows ship us postmarks you think that anything with a part of a stamp and a daub of ink ought to be acceptable. Why not study conditions of a postal marking in the same light as you do a postage stamp? First we want a readable postmark without interference with printing on the envelope, envelope paper should be white or a light tint. Color does not make any difference unless it is so dark that it makes the postmark hard to read. Regardless of the design of the impression it should be complete. Where only a part shows, it is defective. If the postage stamp has any value of itself it should be complete and as perfect a specimen as you would want to place in your stamp collection, otherwise the postal marking is not worth its full value.

With early U. S. the stamp has a catalog value to be considered in addition to the postmark. Postal markings dated later than 1900, are valued more for the postmark than for the postage stamp. Many of the current marks are not worth 10c a million, but quite a few that are dated during the last few years have changed hands recently at prices ranging from $3 to $5 each. This may astonish some of our readers but we have the facts to prove it. Not only this but in the last few months interest has increased to such an extent that a large number of new converts to this phase of stamp collecting are wildly bidding for specimens in order to catch up with obsolete designs. Advertising marks are probably in greatest demand, but there are plenty of collectors searching for hand stamper impressions, machine marks and oddities that are known to exist. You can remember the many opportunities you missed in the early days. You have confessed more than once how you regret not buying certain items in the past. Some day you will regret the fact that you failed to listen to the call of the postmark.

Every day is making history for the new philately. The recent advent of the postage meter has awakened considerable interest. This is really nothing more than a postal marking, a government receipt for postage paid, an impression on an envelope placed there by a rapid cancelling machine. The machine is practically the same as is being used in the large post offices for cancelling stamps, only that the design of marking is different. This is only one of hundreds of phases of the new philately. If we are permitted to continue on this subject, many interesting things can be discussed, some that have happened in the past, others that are taking place in our own days, but are being passed over and are unknown even by those who think they know all there is to be known about stamps.

HOW TO DO IT.

Early last fall a stamp club was organized at the Y. M. H. A. under favorable auspices. Such a club was a new venture for the association and 13 boys joined at once. With practically no idea of what they were expected to do they set to work with a will to learn all they possibly could about stamps of as many nations as they could.

Much credit is due William Schutzer, who has been a most faithful leader for the boys since the first meeting was held on October 9th, 1921. Since that time the club has met regularly every Wednesday night, rain, snow or shine. Mr. Schutzer was aided in his work by the keen interest of Mr. Leon Mann of Mount Vernon and his friend Mr. Soulman of Chicago, both of whom gave a goodly number of stamps to aid the boys start their albums. Mr. L. Josephs and Rabbi Elias Margolis also gave encouragement to the members of this group by interesting talks and a generous supply of duplicates, so that the boys could go out and do some trading.

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AN EDITORIAL.

The Post Office Department announces its intention of preparing future issues of postage stamps "in such designs and colors as will be easily distinguishable." What is the idea? The Department cannot make the stamps more easily recognizable for persons who are color blind, and for persons of normal vision there is no great difficulty in distinguishing between a one cent stamp and a two cent stamp. Those are the stamps in common use, and one is green and the other red. What need of further contrast?

A few days ago Secretary Mellon went on record against unnecessary meddling with the coinage. The existing coins are well designed, practical and familiar. So are the stamps. Why fuss with them? The only persons who could possibly be benefited are the designers and the stamp collectors. And the stamp collectors, as a rule, are more interested in a rare series from the Island of Poohbah.

There was some point to the change which has just been made in the design for the special delivery stamp. The old one represented a bicycle as the means of delivery, and it was thought more illustrative of the service given by special delivery that a new design should show a motorcycle at the curb before the house where a delivery is to be made. But if the department has in mind to revise the entire series of stamps it is going to needless trouble and expense. —New York *Herald.*

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THE POSTAGE STAMPS OF BELGIUM.

By BERTRAM W. H. POOLE.

CHAPTER XXIII.

The War Issue of 1915.

After the first few months of the Great War the whole of Belgium was in the hands of the enemy and the seat of Government was established at Havre, France, where a small strip of territory was loaned by the French Government for this purpose.

In 1915 it was decided to issue an entirely new series of 14 stamps comprising denominations from 1 centime to 10 francs inclusive, and though there was little practical use for most of the values at that time the set has continued current until now and has been largely used since the Armistice. Although it is obvious that most of the early sales were for philatelic purposes no one will grudge gallant little Belgium whatever profits accrued from these sales.

There were no facilities for making postage stamps in Havre and the Belgian Government made arrangements for their production in London. It was decided to make one design serve for all values from 1c to 25c and have distinctive designs for the values above 25c.

The design of the lower values shows a portrait of the intrepid King Albert in an oval with ground work of fine horizontal lines. Above "BELGIQUE" is curved and "BELGIE" is shown on a straight label at foot. In each of the lower corners are small shields containing the numerals of value above a small letter "C". There are pearls around the oval, except where it is flattened at base and scroll ornaments in the upper corners.

The 35c, 40c and 50c value are in two colors, the centres being in black and showing on the 35c the beautiful Cloth Hall of Ypres, on the 40c the wonderful City Hall and old bridge of Dinant, and on the 50c the famous University of Louvain—all glorious architectural monuments which were wantonly destroyed by the Hun in his insensate hate. The frames are all different but all show "BELGIQUE" and "BELGIE" above and below the centerpiece respectively and have numerals of value in each of the four corners. The ornamentation around and connecting these various details of the frames is formal but not so elaborate that it overwhelms the central pictures. The three values are oblong in shape and while the same height are much wider than the lower denominations.

The franc values are still larger, being both taller and wider than the three bicolored values. The 1 franc shows two steamers on the Scheldt with Antwerp in the background. It typifies the freeing of the river Scheldt which dates from 1863 when, by the treaty of Brussels, all toll charges were finally removed.

The 2 francs stamp shows in the centre a Belgian holding his country's flag, in the shade of which four natives are grouped, and kneeling at the right is an Arab, while native huts fill the background. This is meant to represent the annexation of the Congo.

The 5 francs shows King Albert receiving the flag of Belgium outside the ancient City Hall of Furnes, while on the 10 francs portraits of the three Belgian Kings are shown, King Albert being in the centre, Leopold I at left and Leopold II at right. Each of these designs has a handsome border and the whole series makes a particularly attractive set.

The small stamps, values from 1c to 25c were typographed, and the others were recess printed from steel plates. According to Field's catalogue the dies for the 1, 2 and 10 francs were engraved by Mr. Dezerrois and the others were supplied by the printers. But as to who were the printers there seems to be some little doubt. Gibbons' says Waterlow Bros. & Layton while Field's catalogue says Waterlow & Sons Limited—two entirely different concerns. Both firms had previously done work for the Belgian government in producing the pictorial stamps for the Congo State, and both are expert stamp manufacturers and produce similar work of the best grade. Though we have no definite evidence we are inclined to the opinion that they were manufactured by Waterlow Bros. & Layton for the following reasons: The perforations used by Waterlow Bros. is variable and gauges from 12½ to 15 as a rule, whereas on all their stamps of this issue we have measured, the perforation is exact. Again Waterlow Bros. usually have the stamps of this issue we have or, when this is not allowed, show their imprint in one or more of the sheet margins and we have found no marginal imprints of any sort in connection with this issue.

Mention of perforation brings up another problem on which the doctors seem to agree to disagree! Gibbons' says the typographed stamps are perforated 12½ and the recess-printed ones 14; Scott says they are all perf., 14, 14½; while Field says the typographed stamps are perf. 13x14 and the engraved ones are all 14. All we have, and we have measured them very carefully, are perforated exactly 14 on all four sides with the single exception of the 50 centimes which is perforated 15.

The paper used for the typographed stamps is white wove with a distinct weave, while for the engraved values a better grade of wove paper, slightly thicker in texture, was used.

The typographed stamps were printed in sheets of four hundred arranged in four panes of one hundred stamps each with plain marginal spaces about the size of a stamp dividing the panes.

The engraved stamps were printed in sheets of 100 arranged in ten rows of ten stamps each. Many of the sheets we have examined have a sheet number in one of the corners evidently applied to make the task of counting the sheets easy.

In the case of the typographed stamps we have only noted one sheet number. This was on the top margin of the upper right-hand pane and appeared to have been printed rather than struck with a numbering machine. The number was partly cut away in trimming the sheet but appeared to be "18103". Some of the sheets we have seen also bore the hand-stamp "DEPOT" followed by the date 1915, etc., as in the case of earlier Belgian issues.

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25 centimes, blue.
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MERC ON A MOTE.

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"The postoffice department press-agent its new special delivery stamp with glowing description:

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Zealand No. 75 shows the Huia- onounced hö'-iä, scientific name, ocha ocustirostris. The female s a curved bill about 4 inches ile the male's bill is only 2 inches h and is straight.

mala, pictures the Quetzal, pro- ket'-zal or Paradise-trogon. c name is Pharomacrus mocinno re gorgeous birds but will not capitivity.

ary No. 47 is the "Turul," the l bird of the Magyars. This bird g to legend alighted upon the of Arpad and so singled him the right man to occupy the

Animals.

tania shows merchants crossing ert on the African humped Ox, called Muaretanian oxen, laden gs of raw rubber.

South Africa and Rhodesia. an heraldic design. On top of a lion, supported on either side ingbok, a beautiful South Afri- zelle Scientific name Gazella It is a rich brown varied with ite and black.

No. 73 shows the Rusa, pro- rö'-sä, or Malay stag. Scientific ervus hippelaphus. These deer great size and have a mane.

nia No. 120. Is the Abyssinian the scientific name of which is emmerringi. This is a small antelope of yellowish brown

—WILLARD.

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Zanzibar, 1, 3, 6, 10, 12, 15, 25, 50, 75c, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 Rupees; and new colors 3, 4, 6, 12, 20c.

List 2.

Being stamps chronicled in Scott's 1922 Catalogue or *Monthly Journal.*
Brit. Guiana 48c.
Brit Honduras, 1c.
Brit. Solomon Ids., ½, 2p.
Ceylon, 50c.
Cyprus, 10pa.
E. Africa & Uganda, 4, 10, 50 Rupees.
Gold Coast, 2, 3p, blue.
Jamaica, 1d Pictorial.
Mauritius, 1, 2c, 4c green, 4c green and rose, 12c gray, 12c red, 20, 50c, 2 Rup. 50c, 5 Rup.
Nigeria, ½, 1p.
Straits Settlements, 3, 6, 21, 25, 30c, $25, $100.
Fed. Malay States, 1, 3, 4, 10, 20c, $5.
Johore, 4, 10, 25, 50c, Dollars 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 50, 100.
Kelantan, 4c.
Trengganu, $25, $50, $100.
Turks & Caicos Ids., 1sh.
Stanley Gibbons:—
Jamaica, 5sh Pictorial.

Note:—List 1 covers stamps in my own collection. List 2 stamps chronicled by Scott up to July 1st.

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Scott No.		Cat.	Our price
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263	unused 2c carmine	.20	.12
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268	unused 2c carmine	.30	.20
	Have some plate Nos.		
267	unused 2c carmine	.08	.04
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268	unused 3c purple	.15	.06
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279C	unused 2c rose carmine. Only 1 blk. of 4, not perfect center but good for	..	10.00
294	unused 1c gr. & blk.	.05	.03
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295	unused 2c car. & blk.	.08	.04
301	unused 2c carmine	.40	.18
315	unused 1c green	.05	.02
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317	unused 3c violet	.20	.10
	Pairs & Blks. same rate.		
323A	unused 1c green	.08	.03
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323B	unused 1c green	.20	.10
323D	unused 1c green (line pr.)	..	.25
324B	unused 2c carmine	.40	.25
324C	unused 2c carmine	.20	.09
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330A	unused 10c yellow	12.00	6.50
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335	unused 2c carmine	.08	.04
	Prs. and Blks. same rate.		
335A	unused 2c carmine	.10	.05
	Prs. and Blks. same rate.		

Scott No.		Cat.	Our price
336	unused 2c carmine	.09	.04
336A	unused 2c carmine	.10	.05
	Prs. and Blks. same rate.		
337	unused 2c carmine	.08	.04
	Prs. and Blks. same rate.		
337A	unused 2c carmine	.10	.05
	Prs. and Blks. same rate.		
338C	unused 1c green, pr. for	..	.20
339A	unused 2c carmine	.08	.04
	Prs. and Blks. same rate.		
339B	unused 2c carm., strip of (2)	..	.25
339E	unused 2c carmine, pair	..	.12
342A	unused 5c blue, pair	..	.20
348	unused 2c carmine	.05	.03
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356A	unused 2c carmine	.10	.04
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356B	unused 2c carmine strip (2)	..	.12
356B	unused 2c carm. line strip (2)	..	.20
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373A	unused 5c blue, pair	..	.20
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—C. E. Severn, editor, has sold his 5 cent Baltimore on cover to Mr. Klemann and thus will be enabled to travel in state to the Springfield convention.

—"What", interrogates a college Prof. who may place three sets of initials after his name on formal occasions, "has become of Parnassus Penflip, Count Lapp de Booz, and the rest of that merry crew? Was their passing coincident with the coming of the famous amendment?"

—A Cuban correspondent informed us of a theft of stamps perpetrated in the islands some time ago but this news has no connection with the marketing of some of the older stamps much under face just now.

—A collector who bought several bottles of an old "tonic" at a backwoods store while on his vacation to get the revenue stamps, 3 cent orange rouletted, says that he acquired the reputation of an old soak among the villagers by so doing.

—Eugene Klein of Philadelphia has made an important purchase, having obtained the collection of Mr. Allen Logan, vice-president of the Kansas City Board of Trade. The Logan collection is particularly rich in early U. S. and in the later issues there is a block of four of the 24 cent, inverted airplane. No doubt Mr. Klein will have the collection for display at Springfield.

—The Foothills Stamp Co., Calgary, Alta., Can., who had an advertisement in the June 17 number of the WEEKLY state that several replies were returned to senders because of a misunderstanding at the post office. This matter has now been adjusted and all mail will be correctly delivered in the future.

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Clip—On our desk, newspaper clippings on stamp topics are as "thick as autumnal leaves that strew the brooks in Vallombrosa." We find that stamp departments are being installed as regular features of different papers from coast to coast. Further, the editorial writers on some of the big newspapers are beginning to discuss postal subjects from a philatelic view-point and the word, philatelist, no longer entails the necessity of explanation in order that it may be understood by the public. It is certain that the effect of this voluminous testimony to the validity of philately will be felt soon and the result will be the attainment of a solid foundation for stamp collecting, a consummation that many of us have hoped for since philately was comparatively unrecognized and unsung. The coming season will witness the harvest-time of this great publicity and from now on, philately is entitled to consideration as a standard field of endeavor for dealer and for collector.

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Care—From Mr. S. A. Pappadopulo, Vladivostok, we have received an account of the new issue to commemorate the "Exodus of the Bolsheviks from the Maritime District" with a description of the spirited scenes attending the sale of the surcharged stamps of 2, 4, 5 and 10k. on Scott's No. 38, 39, 40 and 41, respectively. We repeat in the words of Mr. Pappadopulo: "As is notorious, the Bolshevik Government of Vladivostok was overthrown by the revolution of May 26, 1921. Since that time, the power is in the hands of the Antisocialist bloc, the influence of which is extended over the Maritime District and the Kamchatka. These two provinces are the single ones not occupied by the Bolsheviks. Although the present government does not recognize the Republic of the Far East, nevertheless, it recognizes the stamps issued by the Bolsheviks and bearing the inscription, Far East Republic and the surcharge, D. B. P., which means, Daini Vostochni Respublica, because the stamps were sold on a gold ruble basis. The anniversary set was an issue of two thousand, with the surcharge consisting of Russian letters, date and circle in black. The letters signify, Provisional Government of the Pre-Amur (Maritime District). Pre-Amur means before the river Amur or that territory situated between the Amour and the Pacific Ocean. Never Vladivostok saw such a big crowd waiting to buy stamps. On account of so many buyers, the Postmaster gave an order not to sell over one set to one person. Many, after waiting a very long time, could not get a single stamp. There are but very few philatelists in Vladivostok, but all this people was buying not for philatelistical purpose, but only in order to have a remembering of this day of May 26, which overthrowed the Bolshevik power in the Maritime District. Everybody who bought these stamps will keep them not for collection, but as a precious remembering of that day. For this reason, these stamps will be very scarce. Very few collectors will be happy to posssess them in their collection. No errors are known to exist." We are divided between pity for the poor collectors whose watchful waiting was not rewarded with stamps and admiration for the patriots who fought fatigue in line to buy a memento of the discomfiture of the blamed Bolsheviks. Hats off, please, to the Far Eastern Republic.

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WASHINGTON, July 17.—Stamp collectors are buying up the new special delivery stamp depicting a postal motorcycle messenger delivering a special delivery message at the rate of $200 a day in Washington alone. The money will all be "gravy" to the government since no service will be performed in exchange for the stamps. Their only use will be to decorate the philatelic stamp books.—Akron *Beacon Journal.*

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In 1879, 1½d post cards were introduced, 122x87 mm., in size, with the stamp, red brown, in the upper right corner, following the design of the contemporary postage stamps—a profile portrait of Queen Victoria, with a Gothic crown, enclosed in an oval. Conforming to the oval, in a band, is the name of the Colony, and the value, in words, in colored sans serif letters. Four lines of lettering occupy the space to the left of the stamp:

"Union Postale Universelle—British Honduras (Honduras Britannique)—POST CARD—The address only to be written on this side."

The decimal system of currency came into effect on January 1st, 1888, and the 1½d card was surcharged in black "5 CENTS," in two lines. Normally, the flag of "5" is straight, and measures 1 mm., but there is a variety on which it is curved, and 1½ mm. long. Later in the year, a permanent 5c card was issued, 140x89 mm. The lettering is as previously, but the stamp, bistre brown, is in the De La Rue stock type used for Colonial post cards of that period—the head of Queen Victoria, to the left within a circle. The name of the Colony, and the value, in colorless caps, are in straight labels at the top and bottom respectively.

In 1890 the post card rate was reduced to 3c, and the 5c card was surcharged in black, "3 CENTS," in two lines. A permanent 3c card in carmine, appeared in 1891, followed in 1892 by a 3cx3c reply card. The size, stamp and lettering are unchanged, but on the message card, in the lower left corner, are four lines of printed matter, viz., "The annexed card is intended—for the answer.—(La carte ci—jointe est destine—a la reponse.) On the reply card. immediately under the four lines of lettering at the top, is the word "REPLY".

A 1c card, green in color, in the same design, but 121x74 mm. in size, was issued on February 26, 1896, for inland correspondence. On this card there are but three lines of printed matter,—"POST CARD—British Honduras—The address only to be written on this side."

With the reduction of the international rate on post cards to 2c, the 3c single and double cards, were surcharged in January, 1900, 2 CENTS in two lines. There are two types of the figure "2"—one narrow, and the other somewhat broader. Permanent 2c, single and double cards, in the same design, size and color, followed in November, 1900, with the second line of printed matter reading "Post Card—Carte Postale." On the message portion of the double card, the brackets are omitted from around the French instructions in the lower left corner.

In 1902 1c, green (121x74 mm)., and 2c carmine, single and double cards (140x89 mm) were issued, the stamp having the head of King Edward VII, within an oval, surmounted by a crown.

The design of the 2c King George V. postage stamp, D. L. R. 1912 type, but lettered "Postage—Postage," was used for the stamp of the 2c card, carmine, issued in 1913.

Summary.

Queen Victoria.
1879. 1½d red brown, 122x87 mm.
1888. 5 CENTS on 1½d red brown.
5c bistre brown, 140x89 mm.
1890. 3 CENTS on 5c bistre brown.
1891. 3c carmine, 140x89 mm.
1892. 3cx3c carmine, reply card.
1896. 1c green, 121x74 mm.
1900. 2 CENTS on 3c carmine.
2 CENTS/3c x 2 CENTS/3c carmine, reply card.
2c carmine.
2cx2c carmine, reply card.

King Edward VII.
1902. 1c green, 121x74 mm.
2c carmine, 140x89 mm.
2cx2c carmine, reply card.

King George V.
1913. 2c carmine, 140x89 mm.

b. Wrappers.

Wrappers, 1c green and 2c carmine, on manila, 126x300 mm., were issued in 1920, with the stamps in the same design as for the 2c post card of 1913. In small caps there are five lines of printed instructions—"This Wrapper may only be used for Newspapers or for—such documents as are allowed to be sent at the Book-rate—of postage, and must not enclose any letter or communication—of the nature of a letter (whether separate or otherwise). If this rule be infringed, the packet will be charged as a letter.

1920. 1c green on manila. King George V. 126x300 mm.
2c carmine on manila. King George V. 126x300 mm.

c. Registered envelopes.

In 1912 registered envelopes were introduced, in two sizes "G" 132x96 mm., and "H2" 225x100 mm. The flap, which is on the address side bears a circular embossed stamp, with the head of King George within a pearled circle, surrounding which is a band lettered "2 CENTS POSTAGE & (Crown) 3 CENTS REGISTRATION, BRITISH HONDURAS". On the front and back of the envelope are crossed lines in blue, and in the upper left corner, a horizontal rectangle is provided for the registration label. The four lines of lettering in blue, in large and small caps, to the left of the stamp reads—"REGISTERED LETTER.—This Letter must be given to an Officer of the Post Office—to be Registered, and a Receipt obtained for it.—The address must be written on this side." Size "G" does not contain "The address," etc.

In 1915, along with the moire overprinted 1c, 2c and 5c postage stamps, were received registration envelopes in the two sizes, with the moire overprint applied to the stamp in the form of a rectangle with rounded corners, 28½x-25½ mm. The overprint, however, does not cover the circle containing the head of the King. The total quantity sent out was 10,057, and although received in June, 1915, they were not issued until July of the following year.

Early in 1920, a fresh printing without the moire overprint was received; from both sizes, the line beginning "The address," etc., was omitted.

1912. 2/3c red brown, King George V.
"G" 132x96 mm. without "The address," etc.
"H2" 225x100 mm. with "The address," etc.
"H2" 225x100 mm. without "The address" (1920)
1916. 2/3c red brown, with violet moire overprint.
"G" without "The address." etc.
"H2" with "The address," etc.

DENMARK.

A London newspaper states that the Danish Air Traffic Co. has now completed its arrangements, in connection with a Dutch concern, for regular air mail traffic between Copenhagen and London, via Rotterdam. The service will open by Midsummer, 1922, subject to a State subvention being received towards the 500,000 kroner, which it is estimated will be the cost of the service for one year. Early air-mail flights were made in Denmark in July, 1912, and again in May, 1914, and semi-official stamps were sold and used in the later mail flights in September, 1919. With the opening of the Government Air Mail Routes regular aero stamps of appropriate design will be issued.

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Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

United States.—Mr. F. R. V. Williams has shown me a horizontal strip of three, mint, with plate number 24 attached to the bottom of the 1c blue, 1895 watermarked double line U S P S, perforated 12 horizontally and imperforated vertically. I have not seen this value in a part perforated condition heretofore and it would be interesting to know if other blocks, strips and pairs are about. In their new catalogue, Gibbons states that the part perforated varieties of this series were not regularly issued. They evidently have these mixed with the imperforates for while some of the part perforates may have come on the market in other than "over the post office counter" I do know that many of them came through mixed with regular stock.

In the case of the imperforates of this series, they were issued through favor to one who had performed a service for the Bureau of Engraving & Printing. He would not accept a money consideration for his service but was permitted to purchase something worth more than money, at face value. The quantities were comparatively small and are printed on the regular paper, in fact were simply taken from the unfinished stock at the Bureau. Things are in a vastly different condition today for it would take almost a Presidential order to put such a thing through where one person and one alone is favored.

In my remarks of July 8th I mention the finding in Norfolk of what might turn out to be a provisional issue used in that city at a time when postage stamps were not available. As a result of these notes, Mr. Frank A. Hollowbush has shown me two covers, without stamps, of more than passing interest, bearing the postmark "5" used for making the above mentioned provisional in addition to a blue Norfolk dated postmark. These belonging to Mr. Hollowbush are in no sense provisionals, as it is clearly seen that the "5" simply indicated the payment of postage. The two covers are addressed to a "Prisoner of War" located at Salsbury, N. C. One was mailed in Norfolk, bears a blue "5" in addition to a blue Norfolk, postmark, dated April 25, 1862. The second cover is of unusual interest in that it was posted within the Union lines at Washington, and is franked by "John P. Vence, M. C." It bears a black Washington postmark of February 21, 1862, and the frank evidently carried it as far as the Confederate lines. It went by way of Norfolk, for some reason that I cannot explain, and there the postmaster applied the blue "5" indicating the payment in some way of the 5c postage and then cancelled the cover by means of the blue Norfolk postmark dated February 27, 1862. From a pencil notation on the cover, it evidently reached the Union prisoner around the middle of March. What I cannot explain and have never read any article throwing light on the subject, is how the postmaster at Norfolk received the payment of the 5c for carrying it through the Confederate lines, for as far as this letter was concerned the Union authorities did not even receive 5c to turn over to the Confederate goverment, if such was the arrangement, for the letter was franked. Then too, was Norfolk one of the cities where mail was exchanged from the one line to the other and if so what other points of exchange were arranged between the two governments?

I have recently had occasion to check up all known varieties of the provisional 2c on 3c envelopes and find that one who omits all mistrikes, doubles and the like and sticks to only those errors that have been recognized, such as the three varieties of the San Antonio 2c on 1c on 3c, the three 2c on 2c, the two New Orleans 2c on 4c, will require but 442 cut square varieties. This includes overprints of all of the cities, all dies of envelopes, that is A, E, F and H on all papers, white, amber, blue and buff. The cut square collector of course does not have to take into consideration size of envelope and watermark. There may be one or two more to be added that we do not know about at present but this number includes the varieties to date. There is a rumor about that a small Arkansas city has applied a local overprint all its own. As soon as we have particulars we will advise our readers but for a new overprint such as this, coming at such a late day, it will certainly be open to suspicions of a philatelic taint and will have to establish its standing before being recognized.

It is more than likely that many of our readers may have varieties not heretofore known, therefore we will check up several cities each week. Should you have a variety not listed will you please advise me. So far of the following cities we know only the items listed:—

Type I—Rejected Die.
White, A, E.

Type II—Washington Overprint.
White (Black Sur.), A.
White (Red Sur.), A, F.

St. Louis Overprint.
All papers. All dies except Die H on buff.

Chicago Overprint.
All papers. All dies.

Type III—First New York Overprint.
All except Die H on buff.

Second New York Overprint.
All except Die H on buff.

Boston Overprint.
All except Die H on blue and on buff.

Philadelphia Overprint.
All except Die H on blue and on buff.

In the case of the Philadelphia overprint, Die H on amber and Die F on buff have been listed but a careful search has failed to discover the collector having such a variety and I am seriously beginning to doubt their existence. If our readers know of these will they please advise as a large en- lope catalogue will be published in e near future and it is desirable that s information be accurate.

We desire to thank Mr. Cassius Clay for showing us two varieties these provisionals envelopes not chr- icled heretofore.

1920-21, 2c on 3c Provisional Envelo
Charleston Overprint.
Die E on blue, Size 5, Wmk. 19, L. B.
Denver Overprint.
Die H on white, Size 13, Wmk. 20, H. B.

Finland.—An alleged Red Cross po- age stamp has been issued for the beh of some unnamed charity. It has postal face value of 1 mark and is s at a premium of 50 penni in aid of charity in question. The stamp is large format; the Suomi Lion and Geneva Cross form the central devi above the central oval frame is the wo "SUOMI", and below it "FINLAN the value, "1m. + 50p.", figuring at foot of the stamp.

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LONDON, June 24.—With the king as patron a private exhibition of rare stamps is being given by the Royal Philatelic Society at its rooms in Cavendish Square, according to the *Times*.

A world wide increase in the consumption of postage stamps has led to numerous experiments with a view to speeding up production, and at the same time raising the standard of execution, as a safeguard against the increasing activity of the counterfeiter. One of the most notable innovations in stamp printing has been the use of the rotary press. Of American origin, it is gradually being adopted by stamp printing establishments all over the world.

Until recent years, postage stamps were invariably printed on the old flat-bed type of press, with a comparatively restricted output. The modern rotary machine combines in a single process the four operations of printing, gumming, perforating, and checking the finished sheets of stamps, which it delivers in bundles like newspapers.

An electrically operated printing machine of this type, known as the "Chambon," has recently been installed by the French government stamp atelier on the Boulevard Brune, Paris. It is claimed that not only is the impression carried out more rapidly by the new process, but that the results obtained are superior in finish to those given by the old flat-bed method. The royal mint at Madrid is also about to install new machinery for printing Spanish postage stamps.

Considerable extension in the use of the line engraved process of stamp printing may result from the invention by George U. Rose, jr., of the United States bureau of engraving and printing, Washington, of a system of manufacturing, by an electrotype method, plates that compare in strength and durability with the hardened steel plates now universally employed in the production of recess printed stamps, and at a much lower cost.

Supplies of the current 1-cent postage stamps of the United States have already been printed experimentally from Rose plates, and it is officially declared that the impressions are indistinguishable from those of the regular line engraved printings. Doubtless, however, some point of distinction will reveal itself to the discerning eye of the ever watchful philatelist.

Now that the Germans and the Poles have finally entered into possession of their respective territories in Upper Silesia, it is interesting to recall a subtle election dodge that was practised by the Germans in the plebiscite of 1920. Large numbers of facsimiles of the mark values of the postage stamps issued under the authority of the international commission were prepared, perfect in every detail, and overprinted in three lines with an inscription in Polish characters reading, "In German money this stamp is worth so much. Vote for Germany."

These propaganda stamps were distributed broadcast among the voters, with the object of emphasizing the instability of the Polish mark, which was worth only seven pfennings in German currency. The ruse proved, however, unsuccessful.

Examples of the current postage stamps of the Straits Settlements, overprinted "Malaya Borneo Exhibition," on the occasion of the recent visit of the Prince of Wales to Singapore, are now on hand, the overprint being locally applied in three lines of sans-serif capitals upon eleven values ranging from 1 cent to $5.

A semi-official series of air post stamps coming from the republic of Colombia bears the initials of the Sociedad Colombo Alemana de Transportes Aereos, which operates the air post service under concession from the government. These stamps are employed to denote the supplementary charge on air mail which the company is authorized to levy in addition to the ordinary postage. The low values depict an airplane flying over the Magdalena river, and those in pesos its arrival at Bogota, the capital.—Cleveland *Plain Dealer*.

RAILWAY POSTOFFICE TO BE SHOWN AT FAIR.

A railway postoffice car with a full force of clerks on duty will comprise one of the exhibits at the Indiana state fair, at Indianapolis, this year. Arrangements for the exhibit are being made by the railway mail service. The car will be part of a completely equipped train which the Monon Route is arranging to have on exhibition at the fair.

Washington officials of the railway mail service have approved the plans submitted for display of the postoffice car. These plans call for a fully equipped car in which mail for exhibitors and employes at the fairground will be handled the same as if it were on a regular mail train.

"The public knows very little about the railway mail service," an official said, "because the policy of the department in the past has been against the giving out of much information in regard to the methods employed in handling mail in transit. The car which we are to have on display at the state fair will give the people of Indiana their first opportunity to witness the actual work of dispatching mail as it is done by the clerks whose training makes possible the extraordinary speed and precision with which mail is carried between the thousands of local postoffices in the United States."

Visitors at the state fair will be permitted to enter the railway postoffice car and see exactly how the mail is "worked." The opportunity will be an unusual one, because the rules of service have not only barred the public from such cars while in operation, but have barred also the admittance of railway mail clerks while they are off duty.

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A. Yes; when used in accordance with the prescribed conditions by persons or concerns who have been granted permits to use such stamps. (See Articles 67, 68, and 69, page 17, July, 1921, Postal Guide.) (36)

Q. Are books weighing over eight ounces rated as domestic parcel post when destined to countries other than the United States or its possessions?

A. No; the classification of books as fourth-class or parcel-post matter applies only to books addressed for delivery in the United States or its possessions. (See Article 2, page 7, July, 1921, Postal Guide.) (36)

Q. Can a patron mail circulars for delivery to rural mail boxes with postage paid, but without addresses (one circular to each box)?

A. No; matter without any address is unmailable, but circulars or other mailable matter on which proper postage is paid may be accepted and delivered when addressed to a box and route number, provided no improper or unlawful business is conducted in this manner. (See Article 178, page 26, July, 1921, Postal Guide.) (36)

Q. Must the guarantee be on a piece of second, third, or fourth class mail at the time of original mailing to come within the provision permitting of the forwarding or return of such mail "postage due," or can written instructions from the sender or addressee be accepted in lieu of such guarantee on the piece of mail to be handled?

A. The law embodied in sections 595 and 637, P. L. and R., contemplates that the pledge to pay the forwarding or return postage shall appear on the matter when originally mailed, there being no provision for compliance with requests subsequently made by the sender or addressee to forward or return matter charged with the postage therefor to collected on delivery of the matter.

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The history of the case, as recently described by Bill Bloss of Los Angeles, in the recent issue of MEKEEL'S WEEKLY, a publication devoted to the interests of postage stamp collectors and dealers, shows that in November, 1919, a large find of excessively rare "Missionary" stamps of Hawaii was reported by George H. Grinnell of Los Angeles. Mr. Klemann went at once to the Pacific Coast to look at the stamps, and after a hasty examination he purchased the entire lot for $65,000. There were forty-three stamps in the lot, and, if genuine, their market value has been placed by dealers at about $100,000.

When Mr. Klemann returned with the stamps he submitted them for examination to several experts, and the discovery of minute peculiarities led to the belief that they were counterfeit. Mr. Klemann informed Mr. Grinnell of his doubts as to the genuineness of the stamps and endeavored to get back his money, but as Mr. Grinnell declined to recognize any illegality in the sale, suit was then begun.

Mr. Klemann has not yet returned from Los Angeles, but his brother, J. J. Klemann, said yesterday that the only information vouchsafed by Mr. Grinnell as to how he obtained the stamps was that a man who at one time had been a missionary in the Hawaiian Islands, showed him the stamps one day, saying that he had lately received them from Hawaii and offered to give them to Mr. Grinnell. Mr. Grinnell, however, said he would pay for them, but having only a $5 bill he gave that to the former missionary and took the stamps. At that time Mr. Grinnell did not know their real value. The missionary has since died and the origin of the stamps is still a mystery.

The suit came to trial early in June. Among some of the genuine Hawaiian Missionary stamps offered in evidence, were some of the choice specimens from the collection of William H. Crocker, of San Francisco, whose Hawaiian collection has long been famous as the best and most valuable of its kind in the world.

Among the witnesses for Mr. Klemann were J. Stanley Phillips of London, head of the Stanley Gibbons Company, o of the largest postage stamp dealers the world; Manual Galvez of Madr the largest stamp dealer in Spain; W. H. Poole of Los Angeles, one America's leading philatelic expert Henry Marcus of San Francisco, Ca tain Walsh of the United States Treasu Department; Charles J. Goodman a Harry J. Lelandé.

The writer in MEKEEL'S WEEKLY sug gests that the Judge presiding over t case will doubtless take up collecting view of the fact that "he is absorbing remarkable knowledge of philately general and Hawaiian stamps in partic ular," and will certainly be qualified an expert.

Mr. J. J. Klemann says that he h heard nothing regarding the details the suit. The stamps, he said, are t best specimens of counterfeiting kno in the history of philately.—*New Yo Times.*

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According to the records of the New Haven Philatelic society, this city was not far behind the rest of the world in first using stamps. This was due to the enterprise of E. A. Mitchell, postmaster of New Haven in 1845.

Previous to 1840, the adhesive postage stamp or stamped stationery was unknown. Great Britain in 1840, followed by Brazil in 1843, commenced the use of postage stamps and certain cantons of Switzerland followed suit. It was a few express companies which were permitted to handle mail matter used stamps of their own prior to 1847.

In 1845, two years previous to Uncle Sam's venture in the stamp making business, Postmaster E. A. Mitchell got out a stamp of his own. It was not the adhesive stamp of today, but a letter sheet with the impression in the upper right hand corner. In spite of the fact that the innovation was a time-saver, very few of the stamps were used, this accounting for their extreme rarity at the present time.

It was not until 1871 that the existence of the New Haven stamp became known to stamp collectors. William P. Brown, a veteran stamp collector of New York City secured one of the stamps, and immediately corresponded with Mr. Mitchell, who was then living. Mr. Mitchell hunted up the old die and at the instigation of collectors had a number of impressions struck off, some of which he signed with his own name.

It is believed that the original die is still in New Haven, but it cannot be located. It would make a great acquisition to the local philatelic society or the New Haven County Historical society. Similar stamps and dies used by the postmasters of New York, Baltimore, St. Louis, Millbury, Brattleboro and a number of other cities have been discovered. but they are very rare and greatly desired by collectors.

One of the finest specimens of the New Haven stamp franks is a letter from Prof. Stillman, of Yale, and was unearthed in 1892, in a bunch of old papers bought at a local auction. The buyer bid in the lot for 10 cents and it was some time before the prize was noticed. The stamp eventually reached Count Ferrari, an Austrian stamp collector living in Paris, who is said to have paid about $2,500 for it. Count Ferrari died in 1917, during the world war, and his valuable collection was seized by the French Government. The

EARL A. YOUNG.

collection is now being sold, and it is believed that the total amount of money realized will reach $5,000,000.

The New Haven stamp, which was among the count's possessions, was sold only a month ago to an American collector for $5,350, a sizable increase over the 10 cents for which it was originally purchased.

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Among those who have visited the New Haven organization are Dr. Chase, president of the American Philatelic Society; Mr. Atherton of Springfield, Mass., and Mr. Ritchie, of New York City. All of these men are experts on the subject of stamps, and their collections include some of the most valuable specimens in the world today.

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Stamp legends in the language of Caesar and Cicero are rare and far between; still some of them are, or at least, ought to be, of interest to the collector who is a genuine philatelist and not a mere bloater or trader.

The Barbados series of 1912, King George impersonating Neptune driving the seahorse chariot in the center, bears the legend: "Et penitus toto regnantes orbe Britannos." This is in English, The Britons whose Kingly rule extends over the whole globe. This is deftly modeled on an hexameter of Virgil's first eclogue: "Et penitus toto divisos orbe Britannos," the Britons who are entirely sundered from the inhabited world. This line points to the insularity of the ancient *Celtic* Britons.

Horace was exploited for the legend of the stamps of British Guiana, "Damus petimusque vicissim," which may be rendered: We are equally prone to confer favors and request them, a fine phrase to characterize the amenities of international intercourse. This effective legend is a clever modification of a famous line in Horace's Ars poetica "Scimus et hanc veniam petimusque damusque vicissim," which in a somewhat free rendering would be: "We acknowledge this principle and crave and grant the same privilege."

Some series of Mauritius display in the emblematic design a key and a star. The explanatory legend: Stella clavisque Maris Indici, the star and key of the Indian Ocean requires no comment.

The coat of arms as well as the oldest stamps of Hanover exhibit the old fashioned motto: "Suscipere et finire," *i.e.*, "To begin and to complete."

The well known Sydney views so dear to the heart of the resourceful collector show as centerpiece the Great Seal of New South Wales with the circular legend: Sigillum Nov. Camb. Aust. Inside the circle at the foot of the design proper, we read: "Sic fortis Etruria crevit," *i.e.*, "Thus grew up strong Etruria, or Thus Etruria grew strong." The motto intimates that small colonial beginnings may develop into noble states. It is taken from Virgil's Georgiss, II, near the end of the book. The Mantuan bard harps on the charm and ennobling simplicity of country life. Here we find the remarkable lines: Hanc olim veteres vitam coluere Sabini, Hanc Remus et frater; sic fortis Etruria crevit, *i.e.*: This mode of life was cherished by the old Sabines, it was followed by Remus and his brother; thus Etruria grew strong.

Some stamps of Antigua, one of the Leeward Islands, displaying as a centerpiece the seal of Antigua and Barbuda (a very small Island belonging to the Lesser Antilles) bear this legend: "Edwardus VII. D. G. Britt. omn. rex, F. D. Ind. imp. Sigill. Antiguae et Barbudae" *i.e.*, "Edward VII by the Grace of God King of Great Britain, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India. Seal of Antigua and Barbuda."

San Marino, whose national anthem is said to comprise a hundred stanzas, is satisfied to exclaim in classical Latin "Libertas," Liberty.

Switzerland makes use of the Latin form Helvetia, as it appears, in order to avoid linguistic rivalries between the different nationalities of the Confederacy. When the war came to an end, Switzerland adorned her peace series with the monosyllabic "Pax" *i.e.*, Peace. A charity series is inscribed "Pro juventute" *i.e.*, "For our youth."

The stamps of the Papal States are to the collectors' great surprise unencumbered with Latin.

The half century jubilee stamps of Italy show two enigmatically concise Latin legends. The first is Dea Roma, *i.e.*, the Goddess Rome which is probably intended to be identical with the Divine eternal Rome. The second "Iuturnae sacrum," "dedicated to Iuturna," is even more perplexing.

Juturna was originally a nymph presiding over a spring in Latium famous for its excellent healing qualities. After the first Punic war Juturna was in triumph transferred to Rome and raised to the dignity of a benevolent deity, ready to help in distress, especially sickness and fire. In Virgil's Aeneis she appears as the sister of Turnus the King of the Rutuli.

The legend of some Jamaica stamps: "Indus uterque serviet uni," is illustrated by the center design, which shows two Indians. Now the Latin phrase means literally: The two Indians shall serve one (master). The whole difficulty here consists in the fact that it reads "two Indians" and means by a simple figure of rhetoric "the two Indies," that is, the East and West Indies.

The legend is a rather arbitrary adaptation from Horace's Odes II, 2. Here the poet teaches his friend Crispus Sallustius the guiding principle of the Stoical doctrine, to wit, self-control. The stanza runs: Latius regnes, avidum domando Spiritum, quam si Libyam remotis Gadibus jungas, et uterque Poenus Serviet uni.

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Heard—Every now and then, a reader writes in to say that he "hears" that President Harding is "a philatelist" or is "interested in stamp collecting." For that matter, if we published a list of all the distinguished men and women who are philatelists, according to our informants, scarce any would not answer, *adsum*. However, we are slow to give printed currency to such unsupported "news" items and to authenticate them would be no fitting task for the tired business man. Some time ago, we were informed, through an old friend of the president, that while he knew of the existence of stamp collectors, yet he could not be termed a collector, although he would not say that President Harding had not passed through the school-boy stage of stamp pasting. We now learn through the Washington correspondence in the Philadelphia *Ledger* that President Harding received the first of the new special delivery stamps, Postmaster General Work having stood in line at the Washington post office to buy the first copy, in order to present it to the President "along with a die-proof prepared from the master die." The second stamp went to the Third Assistant Postmaster General who gave it to his wife, who is represented as "an enthusiastic stamp collector." The new special would make a good nucleus for the presidential collection.

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Frank—While on the topic of the "executive" we may as well refer to an envelope submitted by a reader that bears in the upper right corner, a large "6" enclosed in a double circle, in postmark form, and between the lines of the circles are block forms of ornamentation. The envelope has a mourning band, evidently in memory of the martyred Garfield and bears the "Executive Mansion-Official" imprint in the upper left corner. The postmark reads "Washington, Mar. 18, 3 P.M., 1882." The frank is interesting because of its design and manifest purpose; and we speak of it as we do not recollect having seen it before.

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Trial—In another column we have a letter from Mr. Geo. H. Grinnell of Los Angeles, who was the defendant in the celebrated Klemann-Grinnell case, which will be read with interest by those who have been wanting further particulars of the recent trial.

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Noted—At the regular meeting of the Detroit Philatelic Society, held June 21st, 1922, at the Michigan Club through the courtesy of Messrs. Cady, Kay and Norms, an invitation was extended to the American Philatelic Society to hold its convention at Detroit in 1923. At the banquet on this occasion, many fine stamps were shown and a pair of the twelve pence Canada, that rarity of all times, was pictured on the menu. This pair was merely an earnest of the many stamps of first quality in Mr. Kay's collection. In the report of this meeting that was kindly submitted to us by Mr. A. C. Hutchinson, secretary-treasurer, we were impressed by the reference to a talk given by Mr. W. L. Babcock on the origin and introduction of the adhesive postage stamp, especially as relating to the penny black of Great Britain. Dr. Babcock obtained much of his data from a source not available ordinarily and we believe that his remarks based upon the contents of a bound volume of several hundred pages that reported the proceedings of a committee appointed by Parliament have an especial value, inasmuch as this committee was to make recommendations for the improvement of the postal service, having in mind the advisability of adopting the use of the postage stamp. We quote: "The committee met first in April, 1838, and the report, ordered printed and bound, by Parliament, late in the year, is a ver batim report covering questions by members of the Committee and answers and data presented by several witnesses who were called before the committee. It may be interesting to recall that Mr. James Chalmers, one of the first, if not the first, to suggest the utility of the adhesive stamp, was a member of this committee, and that Mr. Rowland Hill was a witness and an advocate before the Committee for a reform in the postal service by means of the suggested adoption of the postage stamp."

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Found—We make a further levy on Mr. Hutchinson's letter, as follows: "Mention of these names recalls to the mind of the older philatelists, the acrimonious and interesting controversy that was waged in the English lay press and especially in the philatelic press, in the late eighties and early nineties, as to which of the two gentlemen was to be credited with the creation of the adhesive postage stamp. Dr. Babcock obtained this volume, which is in an excellent state of preservation, from a second-hand book store in Edinburgh, and is naturally delighted with this acquisition to his philatelic library. His pleasure of possession is enhanced by the fact that on the fly-leaf appears the signature of Mr. James Chalmers, in his own handwriting, and that a note on another page, in another handwriting, reads to the effect that this was the original volume presented to Mr. James Chalmers, Bookseller, Dundee, member of the 'Postage' Committee." Here, we interpose the observation that the stock of the old book store may prove to be the happy hunting-ground of the philatelist. Those who frequent the old book shop know that patience is required in a quest, but that unexpectedly at times, the quarry jumps to meet them. It was Mr. Fred J. Melville, London, we believe, who found a copy of Ely Bowen's U. S. postal guide of the fifties in a provincial book store. Here, we have advertised for the book in Mr. Bowen's old home town, without success; and we have to be content with knowing that there is a copy in the congressional library.

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Argue—As for the debate that ebbed and flowed in the columns of the philatelic press in this country late in the '80's and early in the '90's, none who were old enough to sit up and take notice then will forget it. The controversy over the claims of Rowland Hill and James Chalmers as the "inventor of the adhesive postage stamp" was no light gentleman's disagreement but an unequivocal demand that a stand be taken under one flag or the other. Chicago, for instance, was the scene of fratricidal strife and when the local society there endorsed Hill, a Chalmers society was formed to proclaim Chalmers as the true prophet. In one way it is suspected that the Chalmer protagonists were not unrewarded, as some of them were remembered by unused sets of the 1887 jubilee issue of Great Britain, half-penny to one shilling, inclusive, from Mr. Chalmer's son, who devoted himself to proving his father's claims to eminence as the adhesive stamp originator. Those were the good old times; they were almost as good as those of today. While properly we must give attention to the past of philately and draw deductions from its progress, halted at times and stimulated at others, we must not lose sight of the fact that the old-timers really will admit that in philately, to-day's the day.

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At New York, a special mail boat has been in service for some time, taking off mail as the steamers arrive at quarantine.

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(1) The frame line of the counterfeit is different from that of any of the originals. I have complete sheets of all printings of all values but this compares with none of them.

(2) The counterfeit is from ½ to ¾ millimeters wider and from 1 to 1½ millimeters longer than the originals.

(3) The words: "Estado Libre y Soberano de" are larger in the counterfeit than in the original.

(4) The counterfeit has no period after Oaxaca.

(5) In the original, by close observation, one sees the left wing of the eagle is joined to the body very close to the shoulder only. In the counterfeit the wing is joined along its entire side.

(6) In the original the eagle apparently stands on a pedestal with a hollow space immediately below it. In the counterfeit this space is filled up.

(7) Figures of value about ½ millimeters larger in the counterfeit than in the original.

Purchasers of Oaxaca stamps should be careful to buy same only from the dealers who specialize in these stamps and know them. Recently, I had submitted to me by one of the large dealers of Mexico a number of Oaxaca covers on which all stamps were counterfeit. These stamps were on various kinds of unknown papers and with inverted numerals, etc., none of which could be plated. On my inquiry of the Mexico dealer as to what printing and setting these stamps came from, as I could not match them up with my sheets, he informed me that he had never seen sheets of them and, therefore, could tell me nothing about them.

MR. GRINNELL'S LETTER.

DEAR MR. SEVERN:

I have not forgotten the promise I made to you, a year ago, to give you the history of the Missionary stamps which I sold to John Klemann. I will try to give you the whole story soon. The case in court was decided in Klemann's favor on the 29th of June and my attorney left two days latter for a month's vacation in the mountains. Until he returns, I do not know just what I will do. As soon as some definite plan of action is decided upon, I will let you know.

I will say this, however, that in my opinion, the judge (who has never collected stamps,) came to the conclusion that they were not genuine because Kleman and three of his witnesses said that *I* told them I had gotten the stamps from the son of a former missionary. When I told my story the two statements (theirs and mine) were so different that the judge in rendering his decision said he found it difficult to believe the story of the defendant.

Now I told Kleman in answer to his question, "Where did you get the stamps?", that I did not want to say yet, because there were two entire covers with stamps on which I expected to get later. Klemann's reply was that it was all right, that when I got the others he wanted first chance to buy them. I told the same story to all persons who asked me where I got them; but at the time of the suit two and a half years ago one fellow who jumped at conclusions made the statement to newspaper reporters that I got the stamps in an old barn in South Pasadena and that they came from the son of a missionary in Hawaii and that therefore they must be genuine! It was so published in the papers at the time. When asked if that was the place I got the stamps I said it was not—that I got the stamps here in Los Angeles within a stone's throw of Pico St. (seven or eight miles from South Pasadena).

Some five or six months after I made the find, three Hawaiian numerals were discovered in the possession of the divorced wife of this son of a Hawaiian missionary and when it became known the local collectors and dealers who were interested in this Klemann—Grinnell deal confused the matter in the telling and re-telling until, I feel sure, in justice to those who testified against me, they really thought I did say that I got them where these others came from.

The stamps were given to me by Mr. Charles Shattuck who used to live in Pepperell, Mass. His wife was Miss Elizabeth Stevens of Pepperell. She had an uncle named John Parker who was a sea-faring man or possibly a captain who lived at Cohasset, Mass. Captain Wm. Cole lived at Scituate, Mass., (next town to Cohasset). There was a letter with the stamps which was addressed to Capt Wm. Cole in care of the firm of Russell & Co., Canton, China. Capt Cole was commander of the Clipper ship "Courser" and sailed from Boston in 1851 to San Francisco, thence in 1852 to Canton, China. Again in 1853 the Courser left San Francisco for Canton. The records at Honolulu for Aug 12, 1853, show that the Courser arrived and brought B. F. Angell, U. S. Consul to Hawaii as a passenger. The Courser was one of the finest of Clipper ships and the San Francisco records show she was in command of Capt Wm. Cole, Master and Wm. Berry, Capt.

I feel, Mr. Severn, that the history of these stamps makes it impossible for them to be counterfeits. Mr. Shattuck told me they were among his mother's things when she died. I found her gravestone in the old cemetery at Pepperell when I was back there last summer, and the inscription on the stone says she died Aug. 17, 1856. She was Hannah, wife of Jesse Shattuck. The graves of both are back near the Tarbel lot, which is fenced, and under a large sugar maple tree.

I give you this much of the history now because there are several missing links in the history that I am at this time unable to find; but which if found will so strongly establish the authenticity of these stamps that I feel sure they will eventually be accepted as genuine.

I will write more as soon as I know what we intend to do.

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Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—A number of months back, in speaking of the postage stamp dies in the vaults of the Bureau of Engraving & Printing I called the attention of our readers to the fact that in the case of the current 9c stamp, the original die bearing number 596 became cracked after a transfer roll had been made from it and consequently a new die was engraved bearing number 601. Quite recently when new plates of the 9c appeared bearing numbers 13754 to 13757 inclusive it was thought that these might be from the new die. Investigation however proves that these are from the original die. We are informed that the second die has never been completed.

In my notes of last week mention was made of the new series of postage stamps that the department was about to issue. The Third Assistant Postmaster General, Mr. Warren Irving Glover now announces that this series is not contemplated because of the desire of the stamp collecting fraternity but because the best interests of the service warrants it.

The Postmaster General recently sent out appeals for suggestions for the betterment of the postal service and we are told that thousands of letters from employes pointed out the advisability of a more distinct variation in designs for stamps, as well as colors that do not possess striking similarity. Mr. Glover states that "The department knows that thousands of dollars in revenue are lost yearly in the postal service, due to striking similarity in stamps, as well as little deviation in color, which prevents postal employes from detecting short paid matter. The liability to error is increased by cancellation, which often obliterates the numeral on the stamps to such an extent that errors cannot be detected promptly. In fact, the present issue bears so many features alike that errors now made in the handling of mail with these stamps attached are, in the majority of cases, excusable."

Mr. Glover pointed out that the cost of preparation of the new special delivery stamp was very economical, the master die costing the government but $438.91 and this cost was more than covered by the sale of this variety to collectors which up to July 29th amounted to $879.60. Mr. C. J. West kindly favors us with a clipping from the *Washington Star* of July 29th conveying the above information.

We may expect to find the new series very handsome and in keeping with the special delivery recently issued. All of the portraits will be different and we learn through sources, generally reliable, that Washington will continue on the 2c, Franklin on either the 1c or 5c with Lincoln on the other. We will again have Grant, Jackson and possibly Jefferson with Roosevelt on one of the much used values, say the 10c. McKinley and Cleveland will possibly be on hand. We hope they will remember Marshall and Hamilton, two of the great men of our early days and two men whose work has been almost as beneficial as that of Washington and Lincoln. The lettering will be simple, possibly "U. S. Postage" with value in figures, followed by "Cents" or "Dollars". There is no reason to believe at this time that there will be any other denominations than those current.

Those interested in the "Specimen" and "Universal Congress" overprints on our several issues are referred to a very excellent article by Mr. B. K. Miller appearing in the July issue of Scott's *Journal*. All known varieties are listed at one time under one heading and it includes those "SEPIMEN" errors in our Department issues that have been found since Luff's book was published. We note three varieties with specimen overprint that we have read about before but have as yet to see a copy, namely the 1c and 7c State and the 7c Navy, all on soft paper. They may exist but if so they must be extremely rare and their present whereabouts seems to be a secret. The 1c Executive and the 1c Navy on soft paper are all well known but I have never seen any of the others on the soft paper of the American Bank Note Company.

The same journal calls attention to the dies for the peace issue that were engraved by the Bureau in 1914. These were fully described in this column several years back, at which time this government contemplated commemorating the one hundred years of peace that had existed between the United States and Great Britain. The World War broke about the time that the dies were ready and it is very doubtful if they will ever be issued. I saw the die proofs the last time I looked over the proof record book at the Bureau and as they are extremely beautiful it is to be regretted that the finished stamps never saw light. The fact that the dies are still at the Bureau is no reason why we may expect stamps to be issued. The Bureau retains all of their dies and they have cut quite a few which have never been used, including one with a portrait of Samuel F. B. Morse. This was cut just before the Victory stamp.

Mr. Joseph Robert, writes to inform us that in going through his grandfather's desk he has located a number of Confederate covers, including an Aberdeen provisional. He mentions some of the covers bearing postmarks from Mason, Miss., Tudor Hall, Va., Cahaha, Ala., Harpers Ferry, Va. (that is before it became a part of West Virginia), etc., in addition to the usual "PAID", "5", "10", "Due 3" and the like. Mr. Robert writes to inform us that these are not listed in Scott. Like many of our readers he is under the impression that if a cover bears a postmark with a "PAID 5" and has gone through the mail that it is a provisional. This is by no means the case. Those

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We wish to thank Messrs. G. B. Newton, Jr., J. William Harmon and A. E. Clattenburg, Jr., for notes of interest.

BELGIUM.—Mr. Henry Hooreman advises of the appearance of the 20fr parcel post set of the new design. The color is blue.

KELANTAN, *Surcharged* "MALAYA-BORNEO EXHIBITION."—Mr. R. Roberts has shown us the following with the above noted overprint in three lines in black; 1c green, script watermark; 4c black and red, multiple CA watermarked; 5c old bright yellow paper, multiple CA; 10c black and mauve, script; 30c lilac and red, multiple CA; 50c olive black and orange, multiple CA.

LATVIA.—Mr. Karl Koslowski reports that a 6r value has been issued to augment the present arms type series. The color is red lilac and was placed on sale the 22nd of June.

Mr. George H. Jaeger also sends us information regarding this stamp and adds that in the near future the following values will be issued in the same type: 20, 30, 50 and 100rbl. Mr. Jaeger informs us that all the former stamps are at present out of circulation, excepting the airmail issues.

LUXEMBURG.—Mr. Henry Hooreman sends us the following new values in the new Duchess type: 75c red and 80c black. These are printed in sheets of 25 and were placed on sale July 1st.

MONTSERRAT.—Mr. J. A. Galbraith has sent us the following values on script watermarked paper: ¼d brown, 1½d orange, 2d grey, 2½d blue, 5d violet and olive green, 2sh violet and ultramarine on blue, 3sh green and purple, 4sh grey and red. Also a 4d black and red on yellow on multiple crown CA paper.

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15sh violet and blk. on blue, script.
£1 mauve and blk. on red, mult.

ST. VINCENT.—The Economist Stamp Co. advise of the 2d grey, which has been issued on script watermarked paper.

SARAWAK.—Mr. R. Roberts reports a new color for the 8c stamp. It has been printed in red, no watermark

ST. LUCIA.—Mr. J. A. Galbraith reports the 1½d red, on script watermarked paper.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—Mr. R. Roberts reports the 45c emerald all through has just been issued.

TRINIDAD.—Messrs. Bright & Son send us the following: "A correspondent in Trinidad writes to us as follows:—'For your information, there appears to have been some misunderstanding at the G. P. O. here over the issue of the 2½d script watermark; these stamps were supposed not to have been issued, but by some mistake a sheet was sent up to the Arima P. O. I happened to be there at the time, only purchased four of these stamps for my collection. Hearing of the above later, I went back to the P. O. to buy the balance of the sheet, found that it had been ordered back to the G. P. O. Other collectors have hunted all the post offices in the island and cannot get hold of this new 2½d.' It would appear from same that the 2½d script Trinidad is likely to prove a good stamp."

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—Daniel J. Kaib, Beatty, Pa., writes us that he has an accumulation of half a dozen different publications which he will gladly donate to any stamp society or club willing to pay transportation charges.

—We are informed that the Security Insurance Co., of New Haven, Conn., will write fire insurance on stamp collections. Our thanks to Carl S. Davis for this information.

—The Haweye Stamp Co., Cedar Rapids, Iowa, would like to know the present whereabouts of Glenn M. Wiggin, formerly of Council Bluffs, Iowa. He is reported as having been in Omaha recently.

—If any of our subscribers know anything concerning the whereabouts of Harold N. Perkins, formerly of Detroit, Mich., will they kindly communicate with E. P. Seebohm, 660 Market St., San Francisco, Cal.? He is reported to have moved from that city.

—Due to illness, J. D. Havens of Rochester, N. Y., has been compelled to discontinue his advertising, but expects to resume in the near future.

—We have received from A. A. Wasserscheid, a new Canadian advertising cancellation. It comes from London, Ont., and consists of the inscription in four lines: — "International — Peony Show — London — June 1922".

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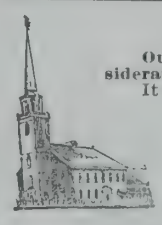
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Until recent years most of the ex- and dead Presidents had their day on some one of the many issues of stamps, while Franklin, as was his right, appeared on some denomination—if memory serves he was content with the 1-cent stamp for a long time—and Martha Washington was also honored in this manner. As we have said, the list was at last reduced to Washington and Franklin.

It will be seen therefore that memorizing the design is altogether too simple to be of use in distinguishing one denomination from another, therefore clerks at the stamp windows must depend upon color. At this point mere man will swear that the colors are not now easily distinguishable even though they may conform to the rules of the postal union. The 1-cent stamp is green but one sheet of these stamps frequently differs from another in the intensity of its coloring, so therefore, there are light green and also dark green 1-cent stamps.

The 11-cent stamp is also in green, a dark green with a head of B. Franklin, deceased, upon it, but unless the light is fairly good, a well-inked sheet of 1-cent stamps does not differ greatly in color from a sheet of the 11-cent denomination although the difference in value is considerable. There is a chance to make these stamps more easily distinguishable. They now look as nearly alike as twins.

But if the 1-cent stamp and the 11-cent stamp are twins the 3-cent and the 50-cent stamp are at least first cousins. The post office department insists that the 3-cent stamp is purple and that the 50-cent issue is lilac. This distinction means much to a woman but little or nothing to a man unless his business requires him to be an expert in colors. Even in that case the 3-cent stamps vary greatly in their coloring. One may admit without argument that the 50-cent stamps are so aristocratic that the danger of confusing them with the common herd is not great but, at the same time, the possibility exists.

The 4-cent stamp is distinctive in coloring, so far as we know, and nearly as much can be said for the 5 while, until Mr. Burleson became postmaster general, the brilliant 6-cent stamp was unique. As we recall it the postal authorities say that its color is orange but Mr. Burleson produced a 9-cent stamp which has its uses and which is said to be salmon and therefore does not differ greatly from the 6 except in the designs.

The 7-cent stamp is gray and does not suggest any other in its color scheme but the 8 and the 13-cent issues are of much the same tint and bear the same head. So, for that matter, do the 10 and the 30-cent issues, the latter being a trifle, but only a trifle more intense in color than the 10. The 12-cent issue it may be said to its credit resembles in its coloring nothing but itself unless it is an unripe blackberry.

We should assume that an attribute of a postage stamp would be that of showing a cancellation mark readily. To that end the 2, 4, 6, 8, 9 and 10 cent issues are well adapted while the 3, 5 and 7-cent stamps are much less likely to show the ink. Perhaps the government will take this fact into consideration wh adopts easily distinguishable desi Hartford *Courant*.

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REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT.

A. P. S. CONVENTION ADDRESS BY PRES. CARROLL CHASE.

It is again a duty imposed upon me by the by-laws to address the Society in annual convention. Regretting this necessity, I will condense to the utmost the remarks I feel obliged to make.

The year which has passed has been a notable one for philately. Apparently as never before, our hobby has spread and waxed in strength and numbers. Our own membership, larger now than ever before, continues to show steady gain, indicative of health.

The outstanding event of the year has undoubtedly been the as yet uncompleted sale by the French Government in Paris of the Ferrari collection; certainly the greatest in the world. Its seizure as alien enemies' property prevented its going to the Berlin Postal Museum as was the intention of the late owner. While to some of us it may seem regrettable that this collection should be broken up, to my way of thinking the wide distribution of the numerous desirable stamps, whether rarities or otherwise, is a blessing. They have been rescued from a philatelic graveyard and will again delight the eyes of hungry students the world over.

The most important event of the near future is the great International Exhibition to be held in London under the auspices of the Junior Philatelic Society in May of next year. It would seem fitting, should this Convention wish it, that the American Philatelic Society should officially express its interest in the success of the great work undertaken, and possibly show more tangible evidence of good will by offering a medal which might, for example, be given for the best collection of our own country or to the United States collection showing the most original research.

A lawsuit of real interest to every member of this society has recently been decided in California. This had to do with the sale of a number of Hawaiian "missionary" stamps to one of our members. The court has upheld in no uncertain terms the buyer's claim that they are counterfeit; and has ordered that the money paid for them be returned. It seems that this decision would be of far-reaching value in promoting honesty in philatelic transactions. Mr. Klemann is to be congratulated on the fight which he has made for justice.

May I again call the attention of the Society to the fact that while we are in name the American Philatelic Society, Canadian members are not eligible to hold office. I feel that this might well be remedied.

It would be useless to deny that serious friction developed in the Society during the past winter over a bill which was presented to Congress, and which in the opinion of the entire Board of Directors, with one exception, was inimical to the best interests of the Society. The outcome of this is still in doubt, but I wish to thank the great bulk of the membership for its help and support in opposing this bill. I believe it is still in Committee in the House.

Inasmuch as my term of office has practically expired, I feel that I may with fairness speak of the amount of work which the Presidency now entails. The day is probably not far hence when it will be necessary in fairness to pay the President a moderate salary in partial recompense for his time expended. Personally, while the necessary hours were sometimes given to the detriment of my professional work, I have no regrets that I have been able to serve the Society.

It is probably that within the next few years I shall return to France and make that my permanent home; but whether I do or not, I believe that my interest in American philately, and most particularly in research work in the earliest issues of our own country will not diminish.

Last year at Milwaukee, we accomplished a certain amount of truly constructive work, and my hope is that our Society, now beginning the proceedings of the Thirty-Seventh Annual Convention, may continue in well-doing to the aid of American philately.

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While no definite announcement has yet been made, it is stated that new designs are being prepared for a new set of postage stamps bearing the portrait of the new ruler, Prince Louis II. The current issue bearing the portrait of the late Prince Albert I is still being used, but by the end of the year these stamps may be superseded by a new series and collectors will have a few more new European stamps for their albums.

Monaco has never abused the stamp issuing privilege and to her credit she has refused to enrich her treasury by turning out new imprints at frequent intervals, thereby forcing, more or less directly, dealers and collectors to make substantial purchases. This habit of making money by new stamp issues and then demonetizing the stamps for another issue after a few months has been carried to the extreme by several of the new countries on the European map, and the practice has not entirely ceased.

The first of these war issues came out in October, 1914, when the 10-centime stamp was surcharged to sell for 15 centimes, the additional sou being contributed to the French Red Cross organization. In 1919, a set of seven values in a scenic design showing a view of Monaco was issued in aid of a fund for war orphans. They did not prove popular, for some reason, and a little later they were surcharged with the date, "20 Mars, 1920," to commemorate the wedding of the Duchesse de Valentinois, daughter of the late Prince, to the Count de Polignac. They were originally issued without announcement as a surprise on the morning of the royal wedding. One year later, on March 5, 1921, a batch of 442,000 of the regular Prince Albert stamps was overprinted, "28 Decembre, 1920," to commemorate the birth of a daughter to the Duchesse. They were issued during the fêtes held on the occasion of the baptismal ceremonies.

The first Monaco stamps bore the portrait of Prince Charles III, father of the late Prince. They were issued in July, 1885, but were only in use a few years, as Charles III died in 1889, but the new Albert issue did not come out until April, 1891. The Charles III stamps are beautifully engraved, being done by M. Eugene Mouchon, acknowledged as one of the ablest engravers of postage stamps, and were printed by the French Government printing office in Paris. A fine profile of Charles III is depicted in a beaded circle. There are nine values in the set and the highest value, the 5-franc stamps, issued late in 1885, has come to be a genuine rarity. For many years it was quoted at $15, but English dealers now value it in either used or unused condition at $60 to $75.—*N. Y. Times.*

TANGANYIKA AND ITS STAMPS.

(New York *Times*)

One of the latest of the issues of postage stamps which will be of peculiar interest to the general collector because it means the entrance of a new country to the postage stamp realm is that of Tanganyika, which is the great East African territory formerly know as German East Africa and now administered by Great Britain. The stamps are of the size used in most of the British colonies and are printed on the new paper containing the watermark of a crown and the cypher of the King, "G. V. R.," in script letters.

The design, which is similar for all values, shows the head of a giraffe in a medallion, with palm trees on the right and the figures of values in three small panels, one at the top righthand corner and the other in the lower corners. Four denominations, 10, 15, 20 and 25 cents, have been issued and it is said that several higher values will soon appear. The engraving is excellently done.

Tanganyika is a territory comprising 365,000 square miles, with a population of about 4,000,000 persons. The capital is Dar-es-Salaam, meaning the "Harbor of Peace." Prior to its conquest during the late war the German colonial stamps were used, the chief design of which was the former Kaiser's imperial yacht, Hohenzollern. When the British forces took possession of the country during the war Indian stamps, overprinted I. E. F. (Indian Expeditionary Force) were used. In the early part of 1917 the stamps of the East Africa and Uganda protectorates, bearing the profile of King George, were placed in use without surcharge, but later in that year a supply of those stamps were overprinted in London with the letters G. E. A. and sent out for use in the former German East African territory. These stamps are included in the war stamp issues and have now been superseded by the individual Tanganyika stamps.

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When the postman delivered the 10 o'clock mail yesterday morning at the home of Mrs. Morris Rosenkoff, 19 North Robinson street, he handed over a letter from Russia.

"Here is the strangest thing I ever saw since I began carrying mail," the carrier said.

Attached to the letter were stamps that completely covered both sides of a sheet sixteen feet long by seven inches wide. Mrs. Rosenkoff counted the stamps and found there were 1625. Each stamp has a face value of 250 rubles. All told it required 406,250 rubles to carry the letter to this city.

The communication was found to be a pitiful appeal for aid from relatives of Mrs. Rosenkoff at Elisvetgrad, Ukrania. It told how an aunt, once wealthy and living in a mansion, was working all day in a market place and barely making enough to buy a half loaf of bread, although her pay was 250,000 Russian rubles a day.

"We are eating bread containing straw and mud," the aunt wrote. "Send food as soon as you get this letter."

Mrs. Rosenkoff estimated the postage on the letter represented nearly two days' pay of the writer. Some one had laboriously canceled each of the 1625 stamps. All were in good condition.

A gold ruble, according to a proclamation of the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, was worth fifty-one and a half cents in United States money on October 1, 1913. If the ruble were worth as much today the value of the postage stamps attached to the letter would be $209,218.75.

"I get letters nearly every week from relatives in Russia," said Mrs. Rosenkoff. "Most of the letters have only one or two stamps. This is the first one that took sixteen feet of postage. I understand it is similar to what we would call a special-delivery letter in this country, and that that accounts for the number of stamps. It is postmarked June 30. I have sent international stamps to my relatives in Russia to be attached to return letters, but the Soviet authorities refuse to recognize them."

THE SORDID COLLECTOR AND OTHERS.

To the Editor of The New York *Times:*

Apropos of your editorial in today's New York *Times,* may I be permitted to say that all collectors are not mad but that philatelists are simply *sordid?* Stamp collecting is the *fad* of the *rich man.* He who has the most money can pay the highest price for what amounts to no more than a curiosity. I knew a rich brewer once who went bankrupt through buying stamps, but the sale of his collection enabled him to obtain his discharge. But the wise collector, far from being mad, is a good investor. He who years ago bought Whistler etchings for a few dollars can today sell them for thousands. Murphy's paintings, which even in my ken could be bought for $25 or $30, are today worth from $12,000 to $20,000. Apart from the sordid monetary value of a painting or etching, think of the pleasure it gives as a thing of beauty, as an embellishment to one's walls and lastly as an investment to which real estate or oil stock looks like thirty cents. The man who buys wisely in the productions of modern artists is laying the foundation of a great fortune.

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EDITORIAL.

Now that the Hawaiian missionary stamp case has been decided and statements have been made both by the plaintiff and defendant, there are certain considerations based on the court's decision that cannot be ignored. The accepted evidence was that the stamps were counterfeit and such being the case, it follows that they were born in iniquity and brought into the open by a conspiracy, that is without parellel in the annals of philatelic history. If innocent persons have become entangled in the net-work of fraud, it should be their one object to invite a searching investigation into the twists and turns of the case in respect to the origin of the stamps now proved to be forged by verdict of the court. We are told that the federal authorities are now to have an inning as they cannot remain passive under the knowledge that misapplied ingenuity, such as shown in the production of the forgeries, is under cover. The secret service is to smoke out the conspirators, we have been told, and that these officers will have the aid and encouragement of philatelists need not be said.

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We have a Mulready cover, penny black, postmarked November 2, 1840, that shows that advertising enterprise soon marked the new postal convenience as its own. The reverse of the letter-sheet is covered with a variety of advertisements of life assurance companies, Royal Gallery of Practical Science, the Thames Tunnel, the Panclibanon, plate glass companies, perfumers, cosmeticians, wet nurse, tea dealers, Kentish Town and Highgate Cemetery, etc. The sheet is headed: "Reduction of postage.—Postage stamps sold at 21, Little Queen Street, Westminster, at 9d per Dozen.—Particular attention is respectfully directed to the following advertisements,—and Public Patronage is requested for the Advertisers, by whose combined encouragement the Projectors of this undertaking are enabled to make such an immense Reduction in the Postage."

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We have the privilege of extracting from a personal letter received by Mr. Frank Pollard Brown of Boston, from a correspondent on the spot, so to say, a most interesting dissertation on the stamp necessities for Barbuda, a recent recruit to the ranks of stamp-issuing countries. We quote: "Replying to your letter about the stamps of Barbuda, these have arrived but have not yet been sent out to Barbuda. Up to the time of writing, July 8th, 1922, I believe that they will not be issued at our post office here. Obviously, as it is a Barbuda stamp, there will have to be a Barbuda post office. To my mind, the whole business is an absurdity. Barbuda, as you will note by the seal of the Presidency, is for all practical purposes a portion of Antigua and until recent years, say twenty, was entirely dependent upon the revenue of this island for support. With the demand for cotton in the early days of this century, the government inaugurated the cultivation and I believe as government things go, if not the whole expense in connection with the administration, a large portion appears to have been met by this industry. It is practically an estate or plantation with a population, some years ago, estimated at seven hundred, but which has decreased considerably in recent years." When the news of the issue for Barbuda was announced in a June number, collectors found upon consulting reference works, that the island, lying thirty miles north of Antigua, was a dependency of Antigua. The area of the island of Barbuda is given as seventy-five square miles and it is said that its "flat and fertile" soil produces corn, pepper and tobacco. Barbuda, which formerly was a possession of the Codrington family, has its ruling officer in a magistrate. Why does the Colonial Office overlook a bet by not trotting out Redonda, a small island near-by, which has a phosphate industry and a population of over a hundred?

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From Mr. H. M. Bradley, Jr., Derby, Conn., we have received a specimen of a ten cents "parcel stamp" that is used by the Connecticut Company on its lines in the central part of the state. Mr. Bradley says that there also is a two cents label in green, and observes: "If the use of these stamps should become common upon trolley express lines, the labels might provide an interesting sideline." The stamp submitted has a large "C" as its central design, enclosing, "The Connecticut Company."

It is seldom that we have been permitted to see in the newspapers a more interesting and thoughtful editorial than that headed, "Is the Postage Stamp Passing?" which appeared in the Boston *Herald* of July 18, 1922. We shall make room for the intelligent findings of the *Herald's* editor elsewhere. We find that among our newer readers there seems to be some apprehension that collectors may find their occupation gone through the increasing use of the stamp meter but no such misgivings ruffle the bosom of the seasoned philatelist. The older collector for some years has viewed with tranquillity the inroads of the machine mail and his decision made some time ago was that the use of the stamps of common denominations only would be curtailed. In fact, the *Herald* puts it well: "Excess postage, special delivery, registered letters and similar classes of mail will keep on in the good old fashioned way, in spite of the machine. And the stamp collector, doubtless, will be busier than ever." The collector need not worry over the passing of the postage stamp and if it should become *non est,* there will be enough stamps in existence to keep things moving for a good many years, judging from the complaints that we hear to the effect that too many stamps are now being issued.

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In its description of the design of the new special delivery stamp, the post office department says that the central design "is the front of a Colonial residence, showing a motor cycle parked against the curb with the special-delivery messenger delivering a letter." Now Mr. Cecil F. Blogg takes pen in hand to say that his brother, who is an architect, finds fault with the design on a technicality. "The usual door is seven feet high and the usual brick is two inches high. The door-way on this stamp covers seventeen courses of brick, making the bricks five instead of two inches. In other words, the bricks seem to be out of proportion to the door. However, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing should be proud of its work; and we want more of it."

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18	2½p, dark blue	.12
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20	3p brown, 2 line surch.	2.40
21	½p green, George	.02
22	1p carm., 1 line	04
23	1½p black, George	.12
24	1½p orange, George	.05
25	3p choc., George	.10
26	2½p, blue, George	.08
27	3p brown, George	.25
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19	1½p black, George	.12
20	1½p orange, George	.05
21	3p choc., George	.10
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NEWS GLEANINGS.

—A Canadian correspondent writes us that he has a variety of interest, in the 7c stamp, plate 6. There is a small broken O for a P, in POSTAGE.

—A. H. Pike, Sta. G, Buffalo, N. Y., our metered mail editor, asks indulgence in attending to the details of correspondence. He is overwhelmed with work.

—We have been shown a new postal cancellation by Mr. A. A. Wasserscheid of New York. It consists of the inscription in five lines "International—Aero—Congress—Oct.—7 12 13 14 1922." We have also received from Mr. F. J. Ford of Santa Ana, Cal., the following cancellation, also in five lines as follows: "Pageant of Progress—and—Industrial Exposition—Los Angeles—Aug. 26, Sept. 9."

—We have received from Mrs. Oughtred specimens of the two new excise tax stamps issued by Canada. Both show excellent portraits of King George, the ¼c being printed in olive and the ½c in carmine. They are in the small oblong rectangular shape.

—We are indebted to Christian R. Grebasch for two new advertising cancellations. One comes from Michigan City, Ind., and bears in addition to the name of city the inscription "Visit the Dunes." The second is from Madison, Wis., and consists of four lines, the second line consisting of an arrow in outline. The other lines are respectively, "32d Div. Reunion—Madison. Wis.—Aug. 26-29, 1922."

—There is a letter at this office for Mr. Edward S. Knapp.

—F. S. Thompson, Winnipeg, Man., has been appointed secretary-treasurer of the Canadian Philatelic Association, vice W. R. Patten resigned.

—E. Tudor Gross, president of the Rhode Island Philatelic Society, sends for our inspection a registered envelope recently received from a town in Russia. Upon it there are no fewer than forty 10,000 ruble stamps. In other words, it took 400,000 Russian rubles to mail this letter, "which at the normal rate of exchange prior to the war would have been equivalent to $212,000." This certainly is some cover, the envelope being stuck to stamps instead of the stamps to the envelope.

—R. E. Sharp, 167½ Whitehall St., Atlanta, Ga., the president of the One Man Club and booster of philately, would like the address of L. A. Gagnon, formerly 73 York Ave., Brighton, N. Y. The address as stated was supposed to be correct, but mail sent there is returned.

—Supplementing the article written by Mr. Wolseley, on British Colonial stamps with script watermarks published in the issue of August 5, we have received a similar list from Mr. K. E. Parker of New Britain, Conn. We desire to express our thanks for this manuscript received too late for publication, for it was well prepared.

—"The Crow's Nest Air Mail Trip noted July 22, was arranged by Lieut. Palmer and Capt. Fitzgerald of Lethbridge, Alberta, and with the consent of the Canadian Postal authorities, whereby they would carry air mail under certain government supervision and control. They charged $1.00 for the envelope, and the government charged the regular rate of postage. The $1.00 charged for the envelope was to meet the cost of the trip. This envelope carried advertisements on the back, advertising the towns of Macleod, Pincher Creek, Blairmore, Alberta and other towns in the Crow's Nest Pass. The mail only got as far as North Dakota, and when landing, a woman ran out on the landing field in a car, and to avoid killing her they had to make a landing in such a way that it wrecked their machine. A life saved, and a machine and air mail trip ½ ruined. These same air men made 60,000 miles in this same machine. which they think is a record."—*Canadian Cor.*

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It appears that the original design for a Post Office Department seal, according to Francis Huebner, an accepted authority on postal affairs, volume 32, No. 5 L'Union Postale, records of the Columbia Historical Society, was that of Mercury riding upon the clouds, but the introduction of the pony express in 1836, it is said, induced the Postmaster General, Amos Kendall, in an order dated May 1, 1837, to change the seal to its present design of a galloping pony with a mail messenger astride.

This historical statement is, however, contradicted by the historian Benson J. Lossing, who stated in an article published in *Harper's Monthly Magazine* for February, 1869, (Vol. XXXVIII, p. 319) that Benjamin Franklin, when first appointed Postmaster General, issued a circular concerning the Postal Service on which was a picture of a galloping pony, which he assumes was the origin of the present seal.

The records of the year 1837 are not available in the Post Office Department, and the order of the Postmaster General Kendall can not be found to verify the statement of Huebner, and it is left to conjecture whether the seal as at present originated with Kendall in 1837, or with Franklin as stated by Lossing.—*Postal Bulletin.*

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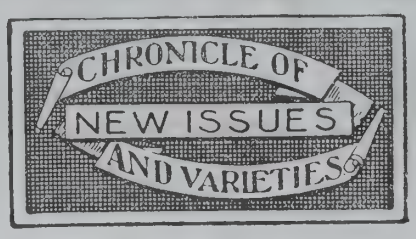

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Those who are interested in early United States covers will recall that every once in a while they will run across a patriotic envelope of the Civil War period showing a flag, banner, figure, head or a cartoon of some kind typical of the happenings of the day. A collection of these started shortly after the great war, and made by one interested in the envelopes alone, and not the stamps upon them, has just been broken up and from a philatelic point of view many of them are worthy of record.

Those showing the 1857 series are unusual for the war had not been in progress very long before this issue was demonetized, and the varieties of 1861 appeared. I note in the lot three covers, each bearing a 1c and 3c—the 1c being used as a carrier on letters from New York and Philadelphia. One bearing date of May 8, 1861, just a few days after the outbreak of the war, has an American flag at the left end. A similar envelope bears a Philadelphia postmark of just two days later. A very attractive envelope showing an eagle carrying a flag and attacking a snake holding a Confederate flag in an inverted position, was carried to Washington by three of the 1c 1857 cancelled "New York—July 7, 1861". Similar stamps with an American shield come from Zanesville, while a cover showing an eagle in flight with an American flag, was mailed from San Francisco with a type I, 10c 1857 on Sept. 30, 1861. A patriotic cover from California is odd, and such a late use of the demonetized issue of 1857 is unusual. An envelope bearing the same design was mailed from New York on May 25, with a pair and two singles of the 3c 1857. The envelope is small and being addressed to Philadelphia, it is difficult to account for the 12c rate. One flag cover from Muncy, Pa., has a 3c 1857 cancelled with a small five pointed star in blue, while a larger five pointed black star on the same stamp carried a similar envelope marked "Death to Traitors" and postmarked "BELLEVUE—Ohio—Aug. 27, 1861". A "PAID 3" within a circle falls on another 3c 1857, the cover being postmarked "Mooresville, Ind.," and showing Columbia unfurling the Star Spangled Banner.

The early patriotic covers mostly show the flag, the eagle, or Columbia, while as the war progressed we find them more artistic. There must have been a state series, for I have before me two very beautiful hand painted covers both with 3c 1861, one showing the seal of Pennsylvania in addition to a woman holding a flag, while the second shows the seal of New Jersey in addition to a group at one end composed of a woman, an Indian, a flag and a shield. About this time they started to use portraits, and we find a Washington portrait coming from Richmond, Vt., with a blue cancellation falling on a near pink 3c 1861. A choice real pink, in the pink of condition is on another flag envelope with a cancellation "DUE 3" within a circle falling part on the stamp and part on cover.

One of the most interesting items from a historical point of view is a cover that has passed through the lines. This cover which bears a 3c 1861 was mailed by a Capt. W. S. Mendenhall on March 20, 1862, from the Judson House at Jacksonville, Fla. It is addressed to Howellville, Pa., and is postmarked "Port Royal, S. C.—Apr. 17". There is another cover "through the lines" without stamps, postmarked "Nashville, Ten.—Aug. 13, 1864." Note especially the spelling of Tennessee. This also is postmarked in black "DUE 6" within a circle. Another printed cover reading "Col. Baxter's Zouaves, Third Regiment Baker's Brigade" was sent to Philadelphia from Camp Observation, Md., and the 3c 1861, on this cover is postmarked "Adamstown—Jan. 20, 1862—B. & O. R. R." Another with a picture of a Zouave carrying the American flag with a Confederate flag under foot, shows a 3c 1861 cancelled in black "Eastern R. R. Oct. 5." A strip of 1c 1861 shows an imprint that may recall memories to some of the Buffalo boys. A large picture of a buffalo in red, reads "Ever ready The Buffalo Boys of 21st Regiment, N. Y. S. V. Col. William F. Rogers".

Another has an imprint of "Col. D. B. Birney's Zouave Regiment" and was mailed from Washington on Sept. 12, 1861. Another from Baltimore shows several marks of interest reading "ADVD 1 Ct", "Due 3" and "Not called for—No such person can be found". All of these post office marks are in black. Another comes from The Mississippi Valley Sanitary Fair at St. Louis.

The oddity of the lot was a letter addressed to a member of the 11th Regiment, Company B, Wallace Barracks via Adams Express and shows a new variety of local, namely a stamp printed in black on yellow glazed paper reading within a rectangle 28mm x 20mm "Forwarded by the Adams Express Co. from Indianapolis, Ind." There were five or six hundred covers or more—too numerous to mention in their entirety—but surely if this could be done they would recall many old memories to the Boys of '61.

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The United States section of the advanced sheets of the new Scott catalogue were received on August 2nd, and will be reviewed next week.

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TWO TOPICS.

By A. C. LE DUC.

(1) In the August *American Magazine* Ellis Parker Butler has a very entertaining article on page 130; he mentions stamp collecting as good oil for a man who is in a rut. The whole article has to be read to get the significance.

(2.) Some discussion has been noted concerning insurance on stamp collections. I never had any trouble in getting any insurance from the regular fire insurance company with whom I had my household goods insured. The only insurance I have covered my collection has been the fire insurance—I have never tried to get theft insurance.

REMITTANCES TO ENGLAND.

We have already published several quarter pages from H. R. Bishop, 5 Monument St., London, England, and this week another is inserted. Mr. Bishop has also taken space for September and will be with us regularly during the coming months. He expresses the wish that we would announce in our editorial department that cash may be safely sent in prepayment for orders. He writes, "I find a number of your readers are rather dubious about sending money to England. I wish to suggest that there need be no hesitation in this direction. The English dealer is after business even as is the American dealer, and he is bound to be honorable in his dealings in the building up of an advertising patronage."

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Washington was chosen as the next convention city.

The question involving, in a legislative sense, the illustrating of U. S. stamps for philatelic purposes was referred to a special committee for consideration.

A special publicity committee was authorized to create a fund that might be applied to the encouragement of newspaper and other notice of philatelic subjects, this committee to work under the direction of the Board of Vice-Presidents.

The body placed itself on record by expressing "its gratification at the verdict by Federal Judge Wood in the recent Klemann-Grinnell case tried at Los Angeles and involving the counterfeit Hawaiian Missionaries" and further it recommended "that aggressive measures be taken through the proper legal channels to apprehend those guilty of the attempted fraud."

A committee was authorized to refute erroneous information on philatelic subjects that may appear in the press in particular.

A medal was voted to be given by the American Philatelic Society under suitable provisions to the forthcoming International Philatelic Exhibition at London in 1923, to be held under the auspices of the Junior Philatelic Society.

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The appreciation of the Society was announced of the action "of those interested in philately in Springfield in providing the first philatelic postmark used in the United States."

The thanks of the society were given to the authorities for the facilities afforded by the Philatelic Agency at Washington.

It was directed that at future conventions that members of the A. P. S. show their cards before being registered and given badges and that guests be registered as such by the members presenting them; and that distinctive badges be provided.

A question of a member to provide some form of recognition for collectors in the ranks of the Boy Scouts was received and voted as worthy of consideration, pending inquiry.

The honorarium of the editor of the *American Philatelist* was increased to $600 a year, and the president was allotted $100 each year for convention expenses, beginning in 1923.

The race for the presidency was close, as Mr. Heyerman polled 388 votes and Mr. Michaels 371, out of a total of 771. The Cleveland candidates, Messrs. Harris, MacLaren and Moses brought home the bacon with 545 votes, while the St. Louis nominees were content with 190. Secretary Davis, and Mr. Klein, international secretary, were practically unanimously elected and the new treasurer, Mr. Elliott, did about as well. The new member of the Board, Mr. Chittenden of New York, was welcomed by a heavy vote and Mr. Phillips of California was elected again, it goes without saying.

The holders of proxies to the limit of 50 authorized, included Messrs. Severn, Smith, Lewy, Stone, Guest and Wolseiffer. No voting of proxies was required.

The sales superintendent reported sales of over $29,000.00 and a mark of $40,000.00 is aimed at next year. The insurance rate on books of foreign members was reduced from 25 to 12½%.

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The report of Mr. Ricketts on the year in philatelic literature was a splendid one and it will be published, no doubt, in handbook form and not, as customary, as a part of the annual number of the *American Philatelist.*

We have lighted on some of the high spots, but the subsequent issue of the paper will have ample room for a full consideration of the convention in its different phases. Also, some account of the successful convention of the American Stamp Dealers' Association will be given.

REPORT A.P.S. COUNTERFEIT DETECTOR.

PHILA., PA., Aug. 1, 1922.

To the Officers and Members of the American Philatelic Society,

Gentlemen: During the fiscal year of 1921-22. 524 stamps were submitted to me for examination. Opinions were given as follows: 290 genuine, 127 counterfeit, 42 reprints, and 65 forged overprints and cancellations. The genuine stamps included 95 stamps presented for classification.

Few of the forgeries were of the well-known kinds, such as those produced by Fournier; on the other hand, many new productions have appeared. This justifies me to conclude that our collectors are becoming better and better acquainted with the older types of forgeries, and that the forgers are compelled to seek new fields for their activities.

Perhaps the most dangerous forgeries that came to this country were the 1918 issue kronen values of the Trentino overprints. The official record of quantities printed (11 copies of the 10 kronen, for instance) cannot be reconciled with large numbers of these stamps offered to dozens of American dealers and collectors. I am told on good authority that the original setting is being used on stamps imported from Austria. Even the characteristic bluish cancelling ink is obtained from the "original source."

Much concern is felt by collectors of war stamps over quantities of hitherto rare Samoa stamps overprinted G. R. I. suddenly coming on the market. Specialists have found that these do not agree with the originals that reached us early in the war. Caution, therefore, is advised.

Not only do the forgers ply their nefarious trade in high-priced rarities, but they do not scorn cheaper varieties, such as the first issue of Batum, Romanian charity issues, and the Bosnia 1912 pictorial set, the latter of which was printed from engraved plates.

We have all read of the Hawaiian "Missionary" forgeries and I, therefore, will not go into detail concerning them except to state for record that a quantity of these purchased by Mr. John A. Klemann from Mr. Grinnell for $65,000 were declared forgeries by a Los Angeles court. International philatelic experts aided greatly in assisting the trial judge to reach his decision. Through the kindness of Mr. Klemann I am able to place before you actual photographs of these world-famous forgeries.

From London comes the news of another forgery sensation, details of which are given in the *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly.* The stamps in question are Labuan 1894 lithographed issue. It appears that these hitherto uncommon stamps have been hawked around the market during the past few weeks at cheap wholesale rates. The forgeries are in sheets of twenty stamps, four horizontal rows of five; the colors, the perforation and paper agree fairly well with the originals; the inscriptions and various points of design differ, however. A curious point with regard to the forged sheets of twenty is that all values except the 6 cents have a colored dot above the centre stamp in the top row and below the similar position in the bottom row as a guide for perforating; these dots are pin holes.

A new and dangerous forgery of the Saxony 3p red has appeared in Germany. This forgery is so well made that several prominent German stamp dealers have purchased copies in good faith. The forgers, in order to market the stamps more readily, employed special salesmen who visited these stamp dealers, their intended victims, simultaneously. It was only after notes were compared that the dealers found similar cancellations on all the stamps purchased and came to the conclusion that they had been mulcted. An effort to capture the forgers is expected to turn out successfully.

Respectfully submitted,
EUGENE KLEIN,
Counterfeit Detector.

RARE IRISH PROVISIONAL.

By W. WARD.

During the now famous Four Courts Battle in Dublin between the Irish Free State Troops and the so-called Republican Irregulars, the printing establishment of Messrs. Dollards, one of the two firms in Dublin who are overprinting the stamps for the Irish Free State, was caught in the "battle zone" and were of course evacuated prior to the bombardment. Supplies of the 3d stamp which Dollards print were urgently required for foreign postage and registration purposes, and as they could not undertake it, the order was given to Thom's, the other Dublin printer. By accident Messrs. Thom used the plate for overprinting the 2d stamps with the thick block numerals instead of the thin figures "1922". It is stated that only a few sheets were so overprinted.

Most of the low value Irish stamps are being overprinted by Harrison & Sons of London, their surcharge being bolder and shiny jet black. During June a few of the 2d stamps were overprinted by Thom's in a bronze blue ink, quite distinct from any other ink used.

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THE PRE-CANCELLED STAMP SOCIETY.

First Annual Convention at Denver.

By CHARLES A. NAST.

The first convention ever held by pre-cancelled collectors has come and gone, leaving a very good impression for its future growth and usefulness. Weather was ideal. Attendance better than had been expected. President V. W. Rotnem presided at the initial meeting. Present ten members and over a hundred proxies. Dr. H. A. Davis acted as secretary pro tem. Dr. W. I. Mitchell of Paonia, Colo., was unavoidably detained at home owing to the serious illness of Mrs. Mitchell. But Judge Jas. K. Doughty of Lamo, Colo., and Fred Wetherington of Pocatello, Idaho, and Geo. Danielson of Minneapolis were present, having made the journeys especially to attend this convention. The usual committees were appointed and the reports of officers were read. The society now numbers 131 members.

The secretary-treasurer, Roy C. Frank reported receipts to date $150.60, expenses $135.01, balance on hand $15.59. The insurance fund amounts now to $23.13. Exchange Manager J. S. Burns reported 53 books on hand, value $315.61. Sales Manager C. W. Haynes, 193 books received from Dec., 1921, to July, 1922; total value $2014.12. Retired 12 of the value $136.50, leaving 181 books, value $1987.82, in the circuits. The election resulted as follows:—President, J. C. Kringle of Denver; 1st V. Pres., D. D. Berelsheimer, N. Y.; Sect.-Treas., J. Maxfield Brue; Directors. W. I. Mitchell, Fred Allen and Geo. Danielson. The Committee on Constitution, Messrs. Davis, Nast and Danielson recommended that the name be changed from Pre-cancel Club of America, to "The Pre-cancelled Stamp Society"; that the directors be called "Trustees"; that they all live in one city and that they be appointed by the President; that the Official Organ be voted for annually like an officer; that the sum of 75 cents per member be allowed, and that the other forms be retained substantially as at present. On motion of Judge Doughty, it was declared the sense of those present, that the report be adopted and the recommendations be concurred in. Referred to the board of directors for final revision.

The Committee on Catalog, J. C. Kringle, J. K. Doughty, Frank C. Mertz and V. W. Rotnem, called attention to inequalities of the prices in the present pre-cancelled catalog, and urged co-operation on the part of the publisher with leading collectors in each state, it being urged that collectors would know conditions best in their home state.

The sight-seeing trip in automobiles proved a great success and at the banquet at the Albany Hotel on Wednesday the 2nd, about 25 were seated at the tables. Later in the evening, at least forty were present. The Denver Stamp Club acted as host to the visitors. It was expected that Mr. Godfrey Schirmer could act as toastmaster, but an important engagement prevented. His place was taken by Mr. Charles A. Nast. The auction and exhibition following the banquet was a very enjoyable affair.

Throughout, the best of harmony prevailed, and all were filled with renewed enthusiasm. The Denver papers were very good in respect to write-ups and publicity. Altogether the First Convention of Pre-cancelled Stamp Collectors will not soon be forgotten.

DEATH OF F. J. STANTON.

(It is with deep regret that we are called upon to record the death of Frank J. Stanton, Norwich, N. Y. The managing editor had known Mr. Stanton for over forty years, the acquaintanceship having been formed in early youth when both were interested in the mystic art known as puzzledom. Mr. Stanton always made it his practice to address his letters to "Dear Will O. W.", the nom de plume that the writer used in those days. He for many years has been interested in stamp collecting and found great pleasure in doing a bit of dealing. He was a member of the A.P.S. Clipping from F. E. Thorp.—W. O. W.)

NORWICH, N. Y., Aug. 9—Frank J. Stanton, noted actor and publisher, died suddenly at 3 o'clock this morning in the home of George W. Obenauer in East Main street following an attack of heart failure. Mr. Stanton retired Tuesday apparently in his usual health, but became suddenly ill and passed away before medical aid could reach him.

Mr. Stanton was 61 years of age and was born in Sherburne, but a large part of his life had been passed in the village of Smyrna where for a period of years he published the Smyrna *Tribune* and carried on a job printing office. He was a fine actor and gained considerable success on the stage as Stanley Starr. He had devoted several winters of the later years of his life to conducting home talent benefit plays in which he was assisted by Mrs. Stanton. His summers he spent in this city. During the past few years he has published more than 50 home talent plays, which have found a ready sale.

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145	1c	ultramarine	.15	.05
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*147	3c	green	2.00	.60
*148	6c	carmine	4.00	1.50
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*156	1c	ultramarine	1.00	.30
156	1c	ultramarine	.06	.02
156b	1c	ultramarine	.10	.03
158	3c	green	1.00	.30
178	2c	vermilion	.06	.02
182	1c	ultramarine	.10	.03
216	5c	indigo	.15	.06
220a	2c	carmine	.10	.03
220b	2c	carmine	.20	.06
227	15c	indigo	.20	.08
259	15c	dark blue	.25	.10
276	$1.00	Type I, black	.75	.30
310	50c	orange	.20	.05
*317	3c	violet	.20	.10
*324c	2c	(Strip of 2) carm.	.40	.18
333	50c	violet	.25	.10
405	50c	violet	.15	.05

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*422	13c	apple green	.22	.16
427	$1.00	brown	.20	.05
433	$2.00	red & black	1.00	.30
*1458	25c	Parcel Post	.50	.30
*1459	50c	Parcel Post	1.00	.60
*1460	75c	Parcel Post	1.50	.90
*1461	$1.00	Parcel Post	2.00	1.20
*1896	10c	green Spec. Delivery	.50	.22
*2236	1c	Post. Due	1.00	.30
*2212	10c	Post. Due	.50	.15
*2219	10c	Post. Due	.25	.12
*2008	6c	black Newspaper	2.50	.65
*2010	9c	black Newspaper	10.00	3.00
*2011	10c	black Newspaper	1.00	.25
2015	48c	rose Newspaper	7.50	2.00
2016	60c	rose Newspaper	4.00	1.10
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NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited, as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—J. A. Galbraith has shown us specimens of Leeward stamps overprinted in black "Barbuda". The values represented are ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3 and 6d. He writes that there are no ¼, 1½ or 4d in the set. There are five shilling values from 1 to 5, but no mention is made of the color of the overprint.

—From Allen Sears and A. Bledsoe we have received clippings of special stamp features from the Kansas City *Journal-Post*. This paper is doing good work in the interests of philatelic publicity.

—From Karl Koslowski we have received the following:—"My Russian correspondent writes me that there is nothing new in stamps there just now. The old czar issues as found in various sections are used in a profuse as well as confusing manner. Everything that has gum on its back and sticks, goes. The rates for postage have been raised again and even the ordinary by chance letter costs 450,000 rubles Bolshevik money. I say 'by chance', for the delivery of an ordinary letter is possible about half of the time. All others may arrive years later. Every person dealing in stamps is apprehended and placed on trial. It is also rumored that a new issue will appear soon."

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—*Warning to Stamp Dealers.*—A party from Florida, bound north, giving the name of Howard Adams, is stealing stamps, or giving bogus checks for them. He is described as about 5 feet tall with dark hair and about 35 years old, and specializes in odd cancellations.—J. H. Houston, Wash., D. C.

—A. A. Leve suggests that the Springfield cancellation is not the first philatelic cancellation. He feels that some place in the west had one some years ago, and wants us to ask our readers. What say you?

—"I have noticed several errors in Mr. Wolseley's check list of script watermark stamps, that was published in the issue of Aug. 5th, that I am taking the liberty to call your attention to. Antigua 1d, Gold Coast 2 pounds, St. Lucia ½d were omitted, and all were in my possession on or before July 1st. The Cayman Islands 4d was listed as script, but it is on yellow paper and to my knowledge, no stamps have been issued on any yellow paper with script watermark. I have never seen the 1.25R Seychelles listed. Does it really exist?"—John C. Hunt.

—"Am much pleased with results of my advt. in Weekly. Have done more business in June and July than in the previous months. It pays to keep advertising."—Benedict Prieth.

—"Pursuant to articles appearing in your valued paper in regard to fire insurance on stamps, wish to say that I have experienced no difficulty in placing my insurance with the Springfield Fire and Marine Ins. Co., of Springfield, Mass., although I dealt direct with the Western Department Headquarters at Chicago, Ill, I think any agent of the Springfield can handle the line."—R. T. Battey.

—"I note the statement is made by Mr. Kenyon that he never saw one of the $1.00 vermilion Alabama State Tax on Seals stamps cancelled prior to 1880. I have one in perfectly good condition, cancelled, in pen and ink 'May 4th, 1868 —S. J. B.' The stamp is perforated and is pasted on the original piece of paper, which was torn from the complete paper, and is impressed with the seal of the State of Alabama."—Raleigh T. Green.

—The city of Los Angeles, Cal., is using a special advertising mark carrying the legend, "Pageant of Progress and Industrial Exposition, Los Angeles, Aug. 26-Sept. 9." This mark is quite similar to that in use in Chicago. Another new advertising cancellation has made its appearance in Mobile, Ala., reading as follows: "Alabama's Seaport Development Means Alabama's Prosperity."—Allen H. Wright.

GRENADA AND U. S. MONEY ORDERS.

By E. A. Slinger.

There is a curious anomaly about the money order business between the United States and the Windward Islands (British) which, perhaps, has not come under your notice. It is this:

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You will see what a penalty this imposed on the Grenada payee or remitter when exchange was something like 40% against us as happened a couple of years ago. On the other hand, U. S. A. notes and bank drafts are always worth a premium over face value here.

COMMUNICATION.

To the Editor:—

It has become quite a habit to call all first class mail permits metered mail. Metered mail marks represent first class mail permits but not all first class mail permits use a meter machine. There was a reference in the April 22 issue of the Weekly on page 212 of a first class mail mark used in Germany (Leipzig). I have seen this impression but by no stretch of the imagination could this be called a meter mark. So far no impression has ever been made by a machine using a postage meter without the number of the meter being shown in the indicia. Quite a number of first class mail permits have been reported from foreign countries. Would appreciate it if you would ask your readers to send specimens of these to me and I will include them in the Chronicle which will be continued in the Weekly.

A. H. Pike,
80 Grant St., Buffalo, N. Y.

HE QUITS ARMY FOR THE PULPIT.

San Francisco, July 31.—A soldier for 22 years and veteran of three wars, Colonel Arthur P S. Hyde, forty-five, who arrived Saturday at the Presidio from Fort Amador, Panama Canal Zone, announced today his intention to quit the army to "don the robes" of an Episcopalian clergyman. Colonel Hyde, a graduate of West Point, while commanding in 1910 at Fort Flagler, Washington, where there was no resident chaplain, was ordained to the priesthood of the Episcopal church.

Later while stationed at Seattle, he accepted a call to the pulpit of St. Clement's Church, a post he left to go to France as commander of the 39th field artillery.—*Press Clipping.*

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UNITED STATES.—Mr. William I. Purdy sends for inspection one of the queerest things we have seen for sometime from the Bureau of Engraving and Printing in the way of a perforation variety. It seems that a sheet of the 9c from plate number 11,775 was fed through the perforating machine in such a way that the supposed vertical perforation is diagonal on the entire southeast pane running from the upper left to the lower right. This gives us what appears to be a variety, imperforated vertically, the horizontal perforations being normal.

The first section of the advanced sheets of the new Scott catalogue for 1923 were received on August 2nd and this first installment covered all of the United States issues. We must admit that we are somewhat surprised at the very few changes in the early issues but are pleased to see that Scott has realized the scarcity of many of the late issues and advanced them accordingly.

The general makeup of the different issues is the same as previous catalogues and they are leaving to their specialized publication the listing of the many minor varieties, cancellations and the like. This year we will have all of the postmaster provisionals priced, the quotations being based on the prices at which they were sold during April at the Ferrari Sale. They do not follow Gibbons, however, by lowering the prices on the St. Louis, but in two cases advance their figures. That ever popular variety, the New York postmaster, rightly moves forward. The 1847 issue stands still, there are a few slight changes in the 1851 series, the surprise being that the 10c goes but a few cents higher while the 12c stands still. The 1c type IIIa drops in price in both the imperforated and perforated issues and these two stamps with the used 25c green parcel post postage due are the only items that I have noticed have gone down. In the 1857 there are few used changes outside of the 1c. The 5c red brown unused goes to $200 and is well worth it for it is extremely rare in fine mint condition. In the 1861-67 issues only a few slight advances are noted here and there. The ever plentiful 3c lake for some reason goes up while the very popular 5c buff and its several shades stand still. Other increases are only slight. The grilled all over 5c and 30c go to a thousand and twelve hundred while several varieties, such as the 2c black printed on the back, the 2c black splits, the 90c August imperforate and the 3c grilled 18x15 are priced for the first time. The 90c 1857 is also priced again used, a figure on this stamp having been omitted for the last few years. The changes from 1869 to 1875 are hardly worth mentioning for they are so few and when a change is made it is only slight. The only exception is the special prints which have all jumped.

Coming to the late issues, the Columbians from 50c up with the exception of the $2 have increased. Several of the scarcer 1894 lower denominations increase while the 6c 1895 unused is the only stamp that changes in this series. The $2 Trans-Mississippi both used and unused is priced at $10, the 1c Pan-American invert $75 and the 4c at $125. for the first time they list the same variety with "specimen" overprint. The high values unused of the 1902 increase along with several of the 1908 issue. After this there is only a change here and there until we reach the perf. 10 unwatermarked series of 1916, where practically every stamp increases, and rightly so. The 3c mint which listed at 6c in 1921, 25c in 1922, will be listed at 50c in 1923, and still it is low. The perforated errors stand still while the imperforated is priced for the first time at $750. All of the coils with few exceptions are increased and I note the scarce imperf. rotary 2c, No. 370i listed at $7.50, the first time this variety has been priced. Most of the late part perf. and compound perforated items are now priced.

The biggest changes are to be found in the Department issues, for almost without exception every stamp has increased and some of them greatly. I cannot account for increasing these, which readily can be had at auction around half catalogue and less, when stamps that bring full catalogue stand still.

A casual glance at the revenues shows but two important changes, the 6c Proprietary listing at $75 and the $200 first issue going up a few dollars. Scott in writing upon the subject of the changes calls attention to the heading "Condition" where we are told "prices quoted are for specimens in good condition." This clearly states what kind of copies can be supplied by the publishers at the prices quoted. In a letter they state that "if you are using the Catalogue prices as a basis to sell perfection copies, why you are away off." We are all, however, guided by the catalogue in such a way that we often forget that their prices are for "good" and in the case of early United States certainly not for "superb" copies.

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LEEWARD ISLANDS.—Mr. R. Roberts has sent us a copy of the 2d grey script watermarked, which he advises is being printed in sheets of 120.

MONACO.—The *Bulletin Mensuel* chronicles three values of a new design. They are the 25c brown of portrait type, and 50c ultramarine and 5fr brown red, both showing different views of the city.

NICARAGUA.—Mr. H. Chitaro writes us that regarding the 1921 Commemoratives he has it on reliable information that most of the remainders will be overprinted "R de" hence the unsurcharged ones should become scarce.

NYASALAND PROTECTORATE.—Fresh supplies of the ½d, 3d and 1s values are being printed—the 2d on Script CA yellow and the 1s on emerald paper with old watermark.—*Stamp Collecting.*

ST. KITTS-NEVIS.—Mr. R. Roberts advises of the appearance of the 1½d, large type, in a shade of yellow instead of orange. The watermark is multiple CA. Also the 2d in the same type printed on script watermarked paper.

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.—Mr. J. A. Galbraith advises that the 1d brown, 2d grey and 3d blue have been issued on script watermarked paper.

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By CHAS. E. SEVERN.

Mercy days, how the delegates rolled in! They came by train and by trolley; by auto and by shank's mare, and one enthusiast said that he caught the fast freight. They over-ran the hotel and spilled themselves all over the adjacent scenery and yet some members stayed at home because of the possibility of threatened railroad trouble! Everybody was happy, and even the imponderables were made tractable by the joyous spirit that oozed out everywhere. Incidentally, the heat record at Springfield was badly dented, but to the perspiring philatelists, it seemed hopelessly shattered. The preliminary bustle humbled the most industrious bunch of bees that ever spread wing, and a chap had about as much chance of getting a moment for meditation as he had of pouncing upon a five cent New York on cover at pre-war price. Yet, so straight and true did each member steer his course that no collisions resulted, and never once was the dread signal of distress sighted on the horizon. Each attendant returned to the home fires with philatelic fuel enough to keep them blazing until the next convention at Washington convenes. The convention was no kettledrum, but was a give and take session within the bounds of decorum that was of interest to all.

The convention was called to order by President Chase at 10 A. M., on Tuesday, August 15th, in the convention hall of the Hotel Kimball. Mr. Brewer Corcoran, of the Springfield Branch, made an address of welcome that was clever and humorous. We have already printed the president's address, which made a profound impression, as among other things, Dr. Chase told of his expectation to reside in France.

Reports of officers and standing committees filled in the morning session. The reviews of the work of the year by the Board of Vice-Presidents, Sales Books Examiner, Sales Manager, Secretary, Treasurer, International Secretary, Editor of the *American Philatelist*, Attorney, Counterfeit Detector, Expert Committee, Philatelic Literature Committee, Index Committee, Catalogue Committee and Hand-Book Committee were received and suggestions and recommendations embodied in them were referred to the proper convention committees. The By-Laws Committee was appointed, as follows: Messrs. Stone, Ashbrook, Mosler, Atherton and Hammatt. Resolutions Committee: Messrs. Severn, Corcoran and Ricketts. Finance: Messrs. Prevost, Emerson and Stone.

The results of the election were read by Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer, as chairman of the Committee on Credentials and he submitted the proxy totals, as well. The decks were cleared for action on the following morning.

The big-time performance of the convention came on Wednesday morning after the report of the Lookout Committee had been read by Chairman Ashbrook. Mr. Ashbrook spoke of the friction that developed during the year on the subject that engrossed the attention of all the members, by reason of the divided opinion on the bill in congress affecting the illustrating of the stamps of the United States. The committee avowed itself as against the proposed bill, and under the circumstances, could report that progressive action was blocked. The question was then given to the floor for discussion, and not a few members had something to say on the momentous topic. Messrs. Needham, Ashbrook, Hatfield, Lewy, Batchelder, Mosler, Lewy, Ward, Sawyer and others had their inning and though no one seemed to be able to show an acceptable way out of the maze, the remarks clarified the atmosphere. When a motion was made that a new and larger committee be appointed, it was carried, and the era of good feeling was on. It is to the lot of President Heyerman that the task of appointing a committee will fall, and this committee is to work to its goal with all the celerity and diplomacy that it can command.

It was voted that cities entertaining the convention be given the authority to charge a registration fee, as if future conventions approach that of Springfield, on the score of attendance, the financial burden will be too heavy to be borne by the local collectors. It is something to look after the care and comfort of two hundred visitors, aside from any question of finances.

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The last session, that on Thursday, was the longest held, as it was preferable that the work be brought to a close on the third day. The cities of Detroit and Washingon entered the lists for the place of the 1923 convention, but Detroit withdrew its claims, allowing the honor to fall to Washington, whose invitation was so engagingly and warmly presented by Mr. Mason. It is not necessary to say that the choice is commendable and reasons of policy are not lacking in the selection of the nation's capital.

Mr. Frank H. Burt reported upon the deaths that had taken place during the year, and gave sketches of many of those members who had passed on. A resolution that a short biographical sketch of candidates for office be submitted to members with the ballots, was tabled. Also, a motion to remove the restrictions against the election of officers from different states was defeated on the broad basis that it was just as well not to pave any way for possible "centralization" in the future.

The question of publicity was disposed of by the passing of a motion to devise ways and means for the raising of a sum to be effectively disbursed, upon the approval of the board of vice-presidents. The fund is to be raised by contributions from those who believe that it is incumbent upon the society to shape in some measure the great volume of publicity that is now being had. Any appropriation from the society no doubt would be considered in the light that individual support is, although it would seem fitting that the organization seal the action of the committee in recognizing the work in some substantial manner.

Votes of thanks to the press of Springfield and to its active philatelists were voted unanimously and President Chase was given a hearty vote of thanks for his guidance during the past year.

In making his motion that the convention adjourn *sine die*, Mr. W. C. Stone favored us with a few statistics. He has been a member of the A. P. S. for thirty-three years and has attended twenty-eight conventions, where he has made his motion for adjournment twenty-two times. He has been a member of the by-laws committee over twenty times.

Many communications were read and received gratefully, and Mr. Alvah Davison, one of the oldest members, cabled his good wishes from Lima, Peru, and the secretary was ordered to send an acknowledgment. All in all, the convention was well worth while, and Springfield looms larger and brighter than ever before as a luminary in the philatelic sky.

ENTERTAINMENT AT SPRINGFIELD.

The social features of the convention were enjoyable and in addition to the affairs on the programme, many private attentions were shown to the delegates. On Monday evening, August 14th, Capt. Brewer Corcoran of the Springfield society held a reception for the visitors at his home, a beautiful mansion replete with art and other objects of interest. Captain Brewer and his father, Dr. Corcoran, contributed in every way possible to the pleasure of the throng who attended the reception and that the guests had a most pleasant evening was evident. Refreshments were served and those who attended the reception departed from the hosts with a lively sense of appreciation of the courtesies shown them.

On Tuesday afternoon, the members and friends, after posing for the convention picture on the steps of the municipal building, proceeded down the river in a specially chartered steamer to Riverside Park where they disported themselves according to inclination. The river trip was an outstanding feature of the convention and was indeed a scenic treat. Some of the guests went to the park by auto and thus had an excellent opportunity to view the beautiful environs of the city. The evening was given over to the auction sale which had a bumper attendance.

The afternoon of the next day, Wednesday, was spent at Mount Tom, famous as affording from its observatory a wonderful view of the surrounding country and the beautiful valley of the Connecticut River. The party was conveyed by special cars over miles of historic territory to the objective where several hours were spent among surroundings that appealed to all. It certainly was a merry crew that made the trip which will long remain in the memory of those who took advantage of it. On Wednesday evening the banquet was held at the Hotel Kimball and it is needless to say that a full house was there. The toast-master, Mr. Munroe, presided at the speaker's table and he capably conducted the exercises. Music and songs enlivened the session and good feeling ran high. The speakers were limited to five minutes each and things moved briskly in consequence. Dr. Chase, the retiring president, spoke feelingly and welcomed Mr. Heyerman, the new president, who spoke of the necessity of having the intelligent co-operation of all the members if the success of his administration was to be ensured. Mr. Batchelder spoke in happy vein and regaled the diners with interesting experiences and the personal touch that he gave them evoked applause. Mr. Deats, one of the oldest workers in the society, told of past experiences and mentioned his pleasure in again mingling with friends, old and new. Mr. Klemann sketched briefly, the history of the famous Hawaiian missionary case in which he played so commanding a part and that he kept the attention of his hearers need not be said. The Springfield men who labored so advantageously were called upon by name to stand when named by Mr. Munroe.

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kept open after hours for their benefit through the courtesy of the mayor An invitation from the postmaster to inspect the post office in all its workings was appreciated. A number of the members were taken to the ball park where Springfield's team was playing.

The competency of the convention managers was remarked upon and the young man who had the registration in charge certainly was faithful to his duty.

The Bourse on Thursday night was a fitting finale to the convention and many collections were shown. Collectors and dealers alike met on this occasion with the result that there was no little business transacted. The wisdom of setting aside an evening for a trade session at the convention was again demonstrated and we are of the opinion that the bourse is now regarded as an indispensable feature of a convention programme, as affording an opportunity for displaying the stamps that practically every attendant brings with him or her. When no provision is made for a stamp evening of the kind, it is almost impossible in the bustle of the meeting to have a chance for the leisurely inspection of specimens of interest and collections. Reference will be made later to some of the distinctive pieces and collections that were on exhibition.

S. P. A. CONVENTION.

By SAMUEL BENNETT.

The convention of the Society of Philatelic Americans was held at Atlantic City, N. J., August 9-12. Approximately forty members gathered in the Blatts convention hall Wednesday morning, Aug. 9, when the meeting was called to order by C. W. Kissinger, president. The roll of officers showed Messrs. Kissinger, Bennett, Lang, Swenson and Bennett present. Goodly delegations of members were in attendance from New York and Washington. An address of welcome was given by the Mayor of Margate and responded to by H. S. Swenson.

The following committees were appointed:—Credential, Messrs. Bennett, Ohlman and Lang; Election, Messrs. Lang, Landvatter and Skinner; Publicity, Messrs. Ohlman, Frie and Kilcher; Finance, Messrs. Lang, Ohlman, Swenson, Hoffman and Meyers. The reports of the officers were presented and referred to committees. The report of the Sales Manager showed the loss of three circuits of stamps through theft. The report of the Treasurer showed a net balance of $235.83.

The report of the election committee showed the re-election of last year's board for the ensuing year. For official organ the *Stamp Herald* had 91 votes and the *Pacific Philatelist* 78, and the former was declared elected. The credential committee reported 154 proxies entitled to vote.

An auction sale conducted by Mr. Ohlman was well attended and the total sales exceeded $5,000. A committee of nine was appointed to devise ways and means to effect a satisfactory adjustment of the Sales Department losses above referred to. The 1922 convention will doubtless be held in conjunction with that of the sister society, the A. P. S.

There were various recreation features, including a rolling-chair parade of members from Ventor to Inlet, taking in all the sights of the Boardwalk, an auto party to Beach Haven, where the delegates were entertained by Percy Mann in his "Cottage by the Sea". There was a fine display of U. S. stamps, especially the 5c and 10c 1847. A convention photo was taken. A further elaboration of the convention proceedings will be found in the Year Book, which will be issued as soon as possible.

THE ROYAL PHILATELIST.

The King, himself the most famous of philatelists, paid an early visit to an exhibition of rare postage stamps arranged by the Royal Philatelic Society. Prominent among the exhibits was a frame containing rare specimens from the Royal stamp collection. These were entirely drawn from the stamps of Australasia, and included the rare error of the 4d Western Australia with "inverted swan"; an unused block of six of the 2d "Laureated" New South Wales, with six-rayed stars in the four corners; 1s emerald green New Zealand unused, and two of the blue-green shade, also unused. Queensland, South Australia, and Victoria were the other colonies represented.—London *Times*.

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*156	1c ultramarine	1.00	.30
156	1c ultramarine	.06	.02
156b	1c ultramarine	.10	.03
158	3c green	1.00	.30
178	2c vermilion	.06	.02
182	1c ultramarine	.10	.03
216	5c indigo	.15	.06
220a	2c carmine	.10	.03
220b	2c carmine	.20	.06
227	15c indigo	.20	.08
259	15c dark blue	.25	.10
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*407	$2.00 blue	4.00	2.75
426	50c violet	.10	.03
*422	13c apple green	.22	.16
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EDITORIAL.

The recent convention at Springfield, Massachusetts, was not without its broad suggestions, the chief of which was that philately to-day is enjoying a popularity that justifies almost any prediction of coming greatness. What for so many years has been the objective of workers in this country, has almost been attained and that is, the great mass of people that have looked upon stamp collecting as a grotesque or eccentric diversion, now recognize that it is a rational form of endeavor that may be indulged in by folks whose reactions are not necessarily queer. For more than thirty years, the WEEKLY in company with other loyal adherents, has been trying to show the public that collecting stamps is compatible with a clear and orderly understanding of life. Patiently and progressively, the work has been undertaken; and as we are about out of the woods, a lady-like shout or two is permissible.

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There is much work still to do, but our tasks are defined; and effort may now be made with telling effect. What we have, we will hold, and there will be no backward step. Two factors undeniably have been of assistance to philately's ascent, and they are newspaper and other publicity and the action of the government, first in appointing the "philatelist" at Washington, and later, in establishing the philatelic agency at the country's capital. The result of the printed notices in the press has been to make stamp collecting an accepted pursuit, and to encourage in consequence, the avowal openly, of many persons of standing in their respective communities that they collect postage stamps, where once they may have been averse to admit interest in stamps. Washington's action has been tantamount to official approval of philately as a standard pursuit, and that philatelists are an entity in the functioning relations of our government.

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As philately no longer knocks furtively at the back door but is edging to a place in the sun, it is becoming that we conduct ourselves fittingly. A step in improvement in commercial conditions was taken by the American Stamp Dealers' Association, which held its first real convention at Springfield, on the day before the A. P. S. meeting. While the sessions were held in private, because of the confidential nature of the business discussed, it is to be said that the meeting was such as to bring a realization that the work heretofore accomplished by the association, is merely an earnest of what is to be done in the future. Any lingering doubt that may have been had of the stability of the organization was soon removed, and if the stamp dealers with an investment of millions of dollars in the aggregate have been sleeping on their rights, they are now thoroughly awake. It is necessary for the stamp trade to be alive to protect and safe-guard their vast holdings; and we feel that the convention of the A. S. D. A. has laid the foundation for a truly adequate association. The fundamentals have been taken care of and in a few years the association should be so strong that its power for good should be incalculable. We believe that the time is coming when the A. S. D. A. will be on a par with other commercial bodies in different lines that are aware of the insurance carried for their members through co-operation in a trade sense. It is regretted that American dealers have not matched the enterprise of business men in other fields in this particular. The editor of the WEEKLY was appointed to fill the unexpired term as president of Mr. H. F. Colman, Washington, whose resignation was accepted with reluctance. It may be added that in case of flagrant fraud, the A. S. D. A. will consider the project of financing a prosecution legally of the instigators.

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The Springfield newspapers covered the convention capitally and their intelligent presentation of news merited admiration. The reporters had a good grasp of essentials in a news sense, and the thanks of the convention for the generous treatment were deserved. Long ago, the old Springfield *Republican* won its spurs as a disseminator of stamp news as over thirty years ago, its city editor, Mr. James Beebe Smith, was an ardent philatelist, whose pen performed able philatelic service in the *Republican's* columns. The death of Mr. Smith, untimely and tragic as it was, was a loss to philately of three decades or so ago. The papers, without exception, allotted all space to the meeting. The *Republican* reproduced the convention picture which was the largest ever taken of a stamp group, if we are not mistaken. Even so, there were some of the members who were left out of the picture, as punctuality rightly was the slogan of the Springfield managers. Opportunely, the Boston *Evening Transcript* of August 16th, contained a full page illustrated stamp story, "Ten Thousand Dollars Paid for a New Hampshire Five Cent Stamp," by that experienced newspaper man, Mr. George M. Emery. In the story, the Boscawen and New Haven provisionals on cover were shown, together with a group of fifty or so rarities of the world.

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The question of U. S. stamp illustrations was milled over and while it seemed that an *impasse* had been reached, yet it was hoped that a new committee, whose appointment was ordered, would be able to carry on, somehow. The present bill in congress was not acceptable to many members, evidently, and a policy of watchful waiting apparently was the only one that could be adopted. The plan of referring the subject with its complexities for deliberation gave general satisfaction. The subject in its ramifications was debated at some length and a fuller understanding of the situation was given to the members. The chief obstacle to the success of a bill such as collectors want, lies in the objection of the secret service to report favorably on any bill that lets down the bars on its mandate that reproductions of the certificates of the government, under which heading stamps are classified, are absolutely forbidden. The protective laws as they stand at present, could be construed as prohibiting the picturing of foreign stamps as well as those of our own country, if action to this effect should be taken by the government operatives, and the present bill in congress is to legalize the picturing of foreign stamps, when defaced. Some plan of licensing those who could qualify for eligibility by the government was suggested and the proposal has merits. No doubt, other suggestions will be considered by the committee who, at least, will rest under no misapprehension as to the difficulties presented by the question.

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The publicity topic which was the subject of debate at previous conventions, had a short inning as there was no disposition to combat the idea that direction should be given to the great amount of advertising that philately is receiving in public prints. The motion was carried that a fund be provided for the exploitation of stamp collecting in such manner as the board of vice-presidents thought advisable, the money to be collected from those who look with favor upon taking advantage of the present conditions. It is fair that the American Philatelic Society sponsor any plan of

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The success of the convention was due in large part to the philatelic intelligence of the Springfield men, not a few of whom served as hosts to the A. P. S. conventions at Springfield in 1902 and 1912, respectively. Of the forms of entertainment we shall speak later; it is sufficient to say now that everything was done for the pleasure of guests who came in such great numbers. Many well-known members were present and of some of them, mention will be made subsequently. The auction sale held by Mr. Drew was a signal success and Mr. Aldrich, the auctioneer, kept the crowd, which he said was the largest that he ever saw at a stamp sale, in a genial and buying mood. The gems of the sale brought commensurate prices and the newspapers were quick to tell of the high prices realized. As lot after lot was the object of spirited bidding, it was felt that stamps in their monetary sense were about as staple as wheat. The weather on the evening of the sale was extremely hot, but the crowd did not melt away until the end of the sale.

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Washington, the seat of the next convention, already is promising some distinctive features for the 1923 meeting and while enterprise in this connection is admirable, yet it is now time to assure A. P. S. convention cities that sufficient interest is felt in conventions to insure a good attendance on the basis of satisfaction had in the meetings, alone.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—From a clipping just at hand from Cecil F. Blogg indications point to Rhodesia joining the Union of South Africa. Conferences to that end are in progress between the governments of the two bodies.

—We thank the many subscribers who have endeavored to help us in listing the new script watermarks, but we have decided not to attempt any revision of the list published a few weeks ago.

—A. A. Wasserscheid sends us some new postal cancellations. One is from Covington, Ky., "Tri-State Fall Festival Oct. 21-Nov. 4, 1922, Covington, Ky.", one from Buffalo "Register or Insure Valuable Mail" and one from London, "Cable to Canada, Australia and New Zealand via Imperial".

—Harry E. Huber is off on a vacation trip to Jamaica. He left August 26 from New York on the steamer "Santa Marta".

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—Colonel D'Olier, president of the Philadelphia 1926 Exhibition Assn., has been advised of the unanimous adoption of a resolution by the 28th annual Convention of the Society of Philatelic Americans, which has just closed its session at Atlantic City, selecting Philadelphia as the convention city for 1926. In conveying this information, as one of the officers of the Society, Lewis M. Lang of Philadelphia says: "Our Philadelphia Branch will have charge of all arrangements and co-operate with you and your associates with the same zeal, energy and earnestness which characterized the successful Philatelic Exhibition of the World's Fair at Chicago in 1893. If our Philadelphia citizens would display the proper spirit pessimism would be an obsolete word."

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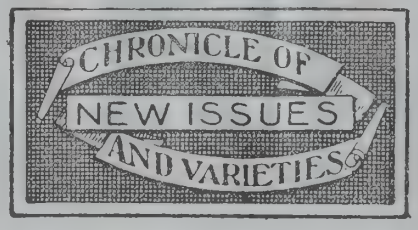

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lock of four had been cut from r of the block and as this left two sticking out alone, one of which naged, it was thought that it e better described and sold if these e cut off, hence the offering of tion block of twenty-one by the auctioneer, Mr. B. L. Drew. k, by the way, contained shifts e not described and it was pur- y Mr. Kenneth in behalf of that ous collector, Mr. Arthur Hind. ed States collectors, the second iece of the sale was a magnifi- nt block of four of the 24c in a deep purple shade and this hich was purchased by a well known middle-west collector, reached $540.00 before it was knocked down. It was in wonderful condition and of this value I know of but three other blocks. A block of the 90c of the same issue, I am informed by a Cleveland dealer, was privately sold at $150.00, so that it can be seen that the National blocks are worth looking for.

Another collector showed several very handsome covers that came from a San Francisco find addressed to the American Minister in Guatemala City. He had about a half dozen of the 1861, 24c slate blue used in connection with the 10c green of 1861, all in superb condition. In addition there was a pair of each on one cover, a companion piece to the one he sold to Mr. Allen Logan and described in this column last week. These were all mailed from Washington, D. C., between March 25, 1862, and June 7th of the same year. The find also contained a 30c 1857 on cover, a 24c 1857 in similar condition, besides numerous other odd and interesting pieces.

One collector had a very fine Brattleboro postmaster provisional that he had found in New England on his grandfather's correspondence. Mr. B. A. Oppenheimer exhibited his very fine lot of United States and it is from this collection that the block of 24c described above was taken. All of the United States sold at auction went high and those offered at private sale were priced in the case of fine things at top notch prices.

Mr. Sloane had with him his very fine collection of Mississippi packet boat cancellations, while Mr. Klein was selling from the well known Allan Logan collection. One of the choice blocks from this collection, the 1c 1902 Pan-American with inverted center, was sold to a Michigan collector not far from Chicago. Mr. Klemann had with him a very fine lot, including a collection that he picked up on his recent western trip.

ARGENTINE.—The Economist Stamp Co. send us for chronicle a copy of the 30c in the type of 1920 issue with the watermark multiple Suns RA.

CANADA.—Regarding the 4c bistre recently chronicled, Mr. R. W. Hanna reports that he received a copy from Ottawa July 17th, but that it was probably placed on sale a few days earlier.

NIGERIA.—Mr. R. Roberts informs us of the appearance of the ½d and 1d on the script watermarked paper, in sheets of 240, divided into 4 panes of 60, four controls, one to each pane, two pl-7 at top, and two pl-9 at bottom of sheet.

SAARGEBIET.—Mr. P. J. Kranz sends us the following added values to the new set recently mentioned: 20c blue and straw, 25c red and straw, 30c red and yellow, 40c brown and straw, 50c dark blue, 75c green and 1fr old red. The centres show different views of buildings and industries.

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Top price of $1825 was paid for a block of 21 vertical United States 10-cent stamps of the issue of 1851, at a sale of rare United States and foreign stamps last night at Hotel Kimball, under the auspices of the American Philatelic society, which is in convention here. The lot was bought by a Mr. Kennet of Utica, N. Y., who said he was acting for George Hind of Clark Mills, N. Y. H. R. Duckwall of Indianapolis, Ind., acquired the second highest priced lot, paying $580 for a block of four 24-cent United States stamps of the issue of 1870. The total amount of money paid for stamps at last night's sale was $9288.80. There were 601 lots of stamps, and competition was keen on nearly all of them.

Bidding for the "star" block opened at $1250, and was carried to the price finally paid in $50 jumps. The last man to stay in the competition against Mr. Kennet was Judge Robert S. Emerson, of Providence, R. I. He went up to $1800. This was the only lot on which Judge Emerson bid on which he was defeated. He was one of the keenest bidders of the evening and acquired several hundred dollars' worth of rare stamps. Among them were a block of four United States one-cent stamps of the issue of 1858 at $152.50, a block of nine United States one-cent stamps of the issue of 1857 at $123.00. Mr. Hind, besides the "big" lot of the evening, bought through his agent the highest priced foreign stamp sold, an Argentinian green 10-cent stamp. Another collector who was prominent in the bidding was George Walcott of New York City.

A certain amount of mystery surrounds the original ownership of the block which brought top price. It was given the auctioneer, Bertrand L. Drew of Boston, by representatives of the Springfield Stamp Club. Members of the club, however, would not state who the person was that owned the stamps before their sale last night. It was learned on good authority, however, that the stamps were found by some resident of this city, not a collector, and that the lot had never been sold before. It is believed that the block is unique. It was further learned last night that the original block comprised 27 of these stamps, with two of them damaged. These were eliminated, and a block of four was also separated from the rest before they were put on sale. It is believed that Mr. Drew is holding the block of four to be sold either privately or at another auction.

George Hind, who bought the block, is one of the best known collectors in this country. It was stated by a member of the philatelic society last night that Mr. Drew had on one occasion paid $33,000 for a one penny British Guiana stamp, from the collection of Baron Ferrari of Paris. He also has paid $10,000 for a Boscawen, N. H., five cent stamp.

Mr. Drew bought several of the most valuable stamps at the auction on orders for clients whose names would not be learned last night. Among them were a postmaster's provisional five-cent New York stamp at $100, a United States proprietary revenue five-dollar stamp at $132, a United States proprietary revenue $500 stamp at $131, and a strip of three Bavarian one-crown stamps at $151. The highest priced stamp bought by Mr. Walcott was a Confederate states, Memphis, Tenn., block of six five-cent stamps. Although stamps from nearly every country in the world were bid on, the greatest interest was occasioned by the rare United States stamps.

It was stated last night by dealers and collectors that, on the whole, the prices got for the stamps were very good. The grill room of Hotel Kimball, where the sale was held, was crowded by an enthusiastic crowd of collectors from the beginning of the sale at 8 o'clock until its close four hours later, in spite of the oppressive heat.—Springfield *Republican.*

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Early in 1922 it was decided to provide special stamps for the island of Barbuda, and at an extraordinary meeting of the Executive Council of the Leeward Islands, at St. John's, Antigua, on Friday, the 24th March, 1922, the formal Order-in-Council was made:

"Order-in-Council.

"WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for use in the Island of Barbuda, Leeward Islands stamps overprinted in the manner hereinafter mentioned:

"NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby ordered by the Governor-in-Council under the authority of the (Leeward Islands) Stamp Act, 1890, as amended by the (Leeward Islands) Stamp Act, 1902, as follows:—

"On and after the 1st day of June, 1922, there shall be used in the Island of Barbuda, Leeward Islands Stamps now in use, overprinted with the word 'Barbuda' of the value of ½d, 1d, 2d, 2½d, 3d, 6d, 1/-, 2/-, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-.

"AND IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the proper blocks and other implements to be used in connection with the overprinting of the said Stamps be provided accordingly.

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Due to delay in receiving the overprinted stamps from London, they were not issued until Thursday, 13th July, 1922.

The Leeward Islands stamps overprinted are printed from the De La Rue (1888 type) Postage & Revenue keyplate 10, introduced in June, 1921, and are in sheets of 120 stamps, 2 panes of 60 each, separated by a narrow gutter, with plate number 10 in only the lower margin, under the 2nd and 5th stamps of the lower row of the left and right panes, respectively. A marginal line surrounds each pane, broken at each line of perforation, with but one or two exceptions.

The overprint was not applied to all values of the current Leeward Islands series, the ¼d, 1½d, 4d, 5d and 2s6d being omitted.

On the ½d, 1d, 2d and 6d the value tablets have colorless figures and letters on a horizontally lined ground, while on the 2d, 3d, 2s, 3s and 4s they are in color on a colorless ground, within a hexagonal frame. The values on the 1s and 5s are expressed as ONE SHILLING and FIVE SHILLINGS, respectively, in two lines of colored letters on a plain ground, within a hexagonal frame.

The 2s, 3s and 4s (as well as the 4d and 5d not overprinted for Barbuda), are new values in the Leeward Islands series, and were provided for by an Order-in-Council, made 9th January, 1922, to be used on and after 1st April, 1922. They were issued (not overprinted) in late April. The duty plates for these five values (as well as for the 6d, for which a new one was made), are provided with a marginal line, so that completed sheets of these values have a double marginal line—the inside one being part of the keyplate, and the outside part of the duty plate, and printed in the colors of their respective impressions.

The 3d and 5s are printed on pale yellow paper (creamy in appearance), and the 1s on emerald green paper, with multiple Crown CA watermark; all others, including the 2s on blue, are watermarked multiple Crown and script CA. Chalk surfaced paper was used for 3d and above.

The 2s Leeward Islands stamp was printed on blue paper with both styles of watermark—that with the old type being sent to Antigua (and issued there in late April) and the script type to St. Kitts. Those overprinted for Barbuda have the script watermark.

The overprint BARBUDA was applied in London, by De La Rue & Co., Ltd., to full sheets of 120 stamps, in heavy block caps (15 x 3 mm.), and is positioned immediately above the value tablet. On the 1s and 4s the overprint is in red; on all other values in shiny black ink.

There is but one Post Office on the island, at Codrington, and the Manager, who administers local affairs (Capt. Geoffrey Downing, 1922), is also the Postmaster. The cancellation used is a single lined circle, 25 mm. in diameter, inscribed OFFICIAL PAID at the top, and BARBUDA at the bottom, with *—

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36	10c rose lilac	3.25	1.00	.80
36a	10c pale rose	3.25	1.00	.80
37	5c olive green	7.00	2.25	1.80
39	15c gray	1.50	1.00	.80
39a	15c blue gray	3.00	1.10	.85
42	3c vermilion	.35	.02	.01
42a	3c carmine red	3.25	.32	.25
54	5c deep blue	.35	.22	.18
55	6c yellow brown	1.75	1.75	1.45
56	8c dark violet	.50	.45	.40
57	10c brown violet	.65	.50	.42
58	15c steel blue	1.00	.70	.55
59	20c vermilion	1.00	.70	.55
68	2c purple	.08	.02	.01
71	6c brown	.45	.37	.30
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½d green.
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2d gray.
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3d dull violet and violet on pale yellow. (C)
6d dull violet and red violet. (C)
1s black on emerald green. (C)
2s violet and ultramarine on blue. (C)
3s green and violet. (C)
4s black and carmine. (C)
5s green and red on pale yellow. (C)

The Leeward Islands Colony was among the first to accept the proposals of the U. S. Post Office Dept. for the exchange of letters at the domestic rates, and on March 1st, 1916, penny postage came into operation between the Presidencies of the Federation and the United States. On September 1st, 1916, the letter rate from Antigua and its dependencies, Barbuda and Redonda (as well as St. Kitts-Nevis and Dominica), to places in the British Empire, outside of the Federation, was raised to 1½d, and this was made applicable to the United States on February 1st, 1917. Locally, and between the Presidencies, the letter rate is 1d. On November 2nd, 1917, the letter rate in the States was made 3 cents, and this naturally applied to all foreign letters taking the domestic rate, including, of course, the Leeward Islands. The 2c rate was restored July 1st, 1919.

By an Order-in-Council, dated 9th January, 1922, rates of 2d and 1½d were made effective on letters and post cards, respectively, originating in the Colony, addressed to "the United Kingdom, other parts of the British Empire, Tangier, and the U. S. A. (including the U. S. Virgin Islands, Porto Rico, Alaska, Hawaii, and the Canal Zone)." To all other foreign countries the letter rate was increased to 3d, and at the same time the registration fee was raised from 2d to 3d.

To conform with the regulations of the Universal Postal Union as to colors for those denominations of postage stamps most used in the international mails, (formerly ½d on printed matter, 1d post cards, and 2½d letters, but now ½d, 1½d and 3d respectively), a rearrangement of the Crown Agents' color scheme, evolved in 1907, has been necessary for the lower values.

The revised color scheme used by Grenada is 1d brown, 1½d red, 2d orange, 2½d gray, and 3d blue. The 1d was changed from red to brown, and the other colors were moved one value ahead. (The 2d Grenada did not require changing, as it was already printed in orange, and not gray as prescribed for that value, in the color scheme). The 2½d and 3d stamps of Gold Coast have recently been printed in orange and blue, respectively, while for St. Kitts-Nevis, 1d, 2½d, and 3d are on requisition, to be printed in blue purple, brown and blue respectively,—which introduces a new color, blue purple. The 1d Leeward Islands, and 6c Seychelles, have also been requisitioned in blue purple.

With these color changes in prospect, it is quite probable that when further supplies of stamps are dispatched to Barbuda, there will be several new varieties; 1d blue purple, 2½d brown, and 3d blue.

The stock of yellow paper with the multiple Crown CA watermark is nearing exhaustion, and already several stamps have been supplied on the new script watermarked yellow paper, the first to be issued being the 5c purple on yellow of Federated Malay States, on March 1st, 1922. With the 3d Leeward Islands changed to blue, only the 5s in Barbuda's series will be affected by the yellow script watermarked paper. The manufacture of new green paper with the script watermark has not yet been announced by the Crown Agents.

POSTAGE STAMP REPRODUCTIONS.

(N. Y. *Sun* Editorial.)

A bill now before Congress provides for the repeal in part of an existing law, passed some years since, forbidding the reproduction in dealers' catalogues (or elsewhere) of postage stamps, domestic or foreign. The American Philatelic Society, in convention at Springfield, Mass., has now vigorously gone on record as supporting the measure permitting stamp catalogues to contain reproductions of the foreign issues; the delegates also voted to have their president appoint a committee to obtain legal authority to publish reproductions of United States stamps as well.

The existing statute on the subject doubtless was enacted with a view to prevent counterfeiting of a Government paper, following the analogy of paper money. Some few of the Federal postage and revenue stamps are of large denominations, and it is probable that a desire to cover all contingencies with blanket legislation led to the prohibition of any reproductions whatever.

The philatelists urge that it is difficult to describe stamps on sale to collectors without pictures; since the examples most sought for are of issues now obsolete and only valuable as rarities, one can see a point of hardship, of course unintended, in a widespread pastime and its devotees are numerous enough to gain consideration for their wishes, so long as these do not really interfere with the scarcity of any current form of Government paper.

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WASHINGTON, Aug. 19.—W. Irving Glover, third assistant postmaster-general, replied today to criticisms reported in some quarters to the proposed changes in designs of postage stamps which the postmaster-general now has under consideration.

Mr. Glover in a formal statement said the impression seems to prevail that the new issue of stamps was proposed because of a desire of stamp collectors for new designs, when on the contrary changes were under consideration in the designs entirely because the best interests of the service warrant it.

"In response to appeals of the postmaster-general for suggestions for the betterment of the postal service, thousands of letters suggesting a new issue of postage stamps have been received from employes of the postal service, who have pointed out the advisability of a more distinct variation in designs for postage stamps, as well as colors that do not possess striking similarity," he said.

"The department knows that thousands of dollars in revenue are lost yearly in the postal service, due to striking similarity in stamps, as well as little deviation in color, which prevents postal employes from detecting short paid matter. This liability to error is increased by cancellation, which often obliterates the numeral on the stamps to such an extent that errors cannot be detected promptly.

"In fact, the present issue bears so many features alike that errors now made in handling mail with these stamps attached are in the majority of cases excusable. Particularly is this true in many of the larger post offices, where artificial light is necessarily being used. Inasmuch as the stamps from one to seven cents denomination bear the portrait of Washington and the eight cent to $5 bear the portrait of Franklin, postal clerks cannot easily distinguish the denomination in the rapid handling of mail because of the lack of distinctive features."

Third Assistant Postmaster-General Glover also said that the cost of preparation of the new special delivery stamp was very economical, the master die only costing the government $438.91, which was more than twice covered by sale of these stamps to stamp-collectors for which no service was rendered.

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OUR REVIEW.

We have received for review from Edouard Locher, Zurich, Switzerland, a copy of his neatly gotten up little booklet entitled "Special Catalogue of Stamps of the War, 1914-1922". Fair market prices of practically all war varieties issued during this period are listed and priced and in addition many of the new issues that do not fall into this classification. While the publication is printed in French and priced in Swiss francs, one without knowledge of the French language will readily understand it because of the large number of illustrations. Interested parties should write the publishers whose advertisement appeared recently in our columns. Price, post free, 50c.

WARNING TO COLLECTORS.

A European dealer sends a small approval selection of 18 stamps, among which a new type of forgery of Newfoundland, No. 26, appears. As we are uncertain whether the sender is a guilty party, we shall withhold his name for the present, confining ourselves to a description of the differences between the original and the fraud. The stamp is placed in the selection with six other, older, genuine Newfoundlands. Comparison:

1. The color of the original is black with a greenish tinge—the forgery is a dead black.

2. The execution of the forgery is exceedingly fine, in spite of the fact that it must have been executed by some Photo-Lithographic process, whereas the originals are from engraved plates! We are unable to detect any difference in the size of design, inscriptions or color of paper, but the fraud has slightly thicker paper than "the medium white" of Stanley Gibbons' catalogue.

3. The cancellation consists of 10 thin black bars, which have an almost genuine appearance.

4. The easiest way to detect the fraud is in the perforation which is *14*, whereas the genuine stamp is perforated *12*.

RECAPITULATION.

Apart from the very slight difference in shade and the decisive difference of perforation, which the forgers may rectify, there remains only that subtle difference in the execution, only perceptible to the philatelist who has handled the older British Colonies for a long time.

As we believe, many of the average collectors, owing to the general good appearance of the stamp, may be deceived, we think it important that their attention be called to the matter. We are willing to give our opinion gratis, provided registered return postage is enclosed with any stamp submitted.

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—The next exhibit of the Philatelic Section of the Baltimore Academy of Science will be held October 28. Supplies of the philatelic journals for distribution may be sent to C. L. Wilhelm, 5209 Wilton Heights Av., Baltimore, Md.

—We have received from Robert Heubach, Jr., specimens of two postal cancellations. One is from Atlantic City, N. J., and consists of:—"Atlantic City Pageant Sept. 6-7-8, 1922". The other is from Oakland, Calif., with:—"International Health and Safety Exposition November 17-26, 1922". F. P. Jones sends us the following:—"Iowa State Fair, Des Moines, August 23-September 1". Business is brisk in the line of advertising cancellations. Most any country fair can secure one through an accommodating congressman.

—Arthur W. Line sends us a new postal cancellation. It reads "Advise Your Correspondents of Your Correct Post-Office Address". It is in use in Canada offices.

—Through the kindness of Clarence H. Eagle we have received a letter addressed to him from the Security Insurance Co. of New Haven, Conn., in which it states that this company is not writing insurance of collections of stamps against loss by fire, theft, etc. No agent of the firm is authorized to accept this class of insurance and we take this opportunity of correcting the impression conveyed by an item which appeared in a recent number of our paper.

—A longtime friend of the WEEKLY submits a communication just at hand from Mr. Melville in which he writes:—"I often think of the happy days I spent among you in 1906 and 1913. I could do with just such another sea trip and hustle around among the U. S. villages. I do hope that many of you will come over here for the Exhibition next May. We will charter the Aquitania if you will bring all the boys".

—We have a new postal cancellation from Helena, Mont., reading:—"Yellowstone and Glacier National Parks". H. W. Boers calls our attention to an error recently made. The aero congress cancellation for Oct. 7-14 should be credited to Detroit, and not to New York.

—F. F. Isbell sends us a cancellation "Arkansas State Fair, Little Rock, Oct. 9-15, 1922". An odd cancellation reading "U. S. S. Wyoming, Don't Forget Box No." has been shown us by H. E. Robertson.

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This issue, if not official, was at l regular. The documents that I pos prove without doubt its authenti And the stamp in question is legitima catalogued in Yvert & Tellier-Cham under No. 226—Colombia.

The small number of this surch (200) justifies the price relatively of this specimen. I, myself, believe the price should be increased, since stamps were cancelled on letters and the stock of unused is—officially—bu

It appeared to me quite extraordi to have received 19 copies during past four months, 19 beautiful co full gum and in excellent condition. this point, I was somewhat alarme to their genuineness. The result that of the 19 Colombians, 14 were f The stamp is authentic—it is the charges that are not.

In general, the letters of the false charges lack clearness, the initial le of each word are more prominent t that of the authentic. Finally, the mensions are larger in height. false surcharge measures 15 mil. ¼; authentic measures 14 mil. ¾."

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ARCHIE.

In an office at No. 39 Cortla Street to-day I saw a two-cent sta walk across the floor, up the wall a on the ceiling. I feared my mind my sight was failing me and becam a bit alarmed. I hesitated to call a one's attention to it. However, I call one of the employees' attention a stamp on the ceiling and he st up on a desk, took a blotter a "caught" it. There were legs un the stamp, but they were on a co roach.—A. D., Port Richmond, S. I.

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STAMPS AT SPRINGFIELD.

ere were many fine stamps shown ose who attended the convention of A. P. S. at Springfield. The par- for U. S. stamps, the earlier the the better, was demonstrated, and ollector or dealer who could exhibit ing choice was the object of atten- Covers, too, had many friends, and as to be seen that the historical s of early covers are being given ion. There were some show pieces iew at different times, such as a leboro on cover and the display by Mr. Klein by virtue of the collection was a good one, as early abounded in it. So many collec- were shown that one could not erate them all. For instance, the tion of Captain D. C. Hammatt of sa, Kansas, was a rich one that in- d fine things in the 1847 and later ; and some of his covers have a interesting side. In the one cent 1851, and the ten cent of the issue, the stamps, perforated, the show- s certainly brave. The steamboat llations, etc., are a feature of the tion.

covers in the collection of Mr. C. Munroe were interesting and tains items of great interest and For instance, an envelope bear- pair of ninety cent, 1861, together a pair of the thirty cent of the issue and a twenty-four cent in for good measure, makes a to make the eyes water. The was addressed to a missionary in o, Africa, and evidently it con- from New York a number of let- that were forwarded to the ad- e. Mr. Munroe also showed a ninety cent of 1861 on the envelope. srs. Allen, Atherton, Oppenheim- tone, Thompson, and others of gfield and vicinity revealed treas- hat dazzled the beholder and some visiting dealers had "covetable"

auction lots in the Drew sale a worthy exhibit in themselves and s apparent that many appreciated portunity to look at stamps that well bear scrutiny. It was notice- hat prices in the auction sale went g when any little extra angle of st was presented by the stamp or One collector of U. S. said that ices realized at the sale made him thousand dollars richer than he nsidered himself, before.

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MR. HIND NO NOVICE AT STAMPS.

Mr. A. Hind of Utica, N. Y., U. S. A., now the actual owner of the rarest stamp in the world *i. e.*, the Br. Guiana 1c black on magenta, 1856, which was purchased for him by Mr. Hugo Griebert at the third sale of the Ferrari collection, for about £7,500 is, according to the *Philatelic Magazine* a comparatively newcomer in the world of stamps. But we made the acquaintance of Mr. Hind as a collector eight or nine years ago, when he visited Sydney. Mr. Hind was at that time an enthusiastic collector and during the time he was here, he paid us almost daily visits from 10 a. m. to 12 o'clock. He brought his "Scott" catalogue with him, in which he had noted his wants, and he made large purchases of us. He was very methodical, he had not a great deal to say, he was a liberal buyer and if the stamp conformed to the number in the catalogue and was in good condition, he bought it without demurring at the price. So far as we can recollect his purchases consisted chiefly of Australian stamps.

We did some business with Mr. Hind after his return to America but the war intervened and, so far as we can remember Mr. Hind wrote saying that he was then too busy to think of stamps.—*Aust. Stamp Journal.*

NEW FACES FOR NEW STAMPS.

It is announced at Washington that a new issue of postage stamps is contemplated. Many will be glad of that. Even in such trifles people crave variety.

Stamps serve their purpose, whether ugly or beautiful. To the philatelist's eye some unique or excessively rare specimens that are mere blotches are lovelier than the Sistine Madonna. Our Postoffice Department has usually gone in for portraiture, but of late years has discarded all likenesses except those of Washington and Franklin. Recent Postmaster Generals have evidently not been stamp collectors or they would have selected a little gallery of miniatures for the various denominations. That used to be done, and it is still a pleasure to open the pages of an old album and refresh the gaze with, for example, the voluminous vermilion whiskers of Secretary Stanton. Commodore Perry, we seem to remember, was purple, and Jefferson a rich chocolate. There was an excellent assortment of worthies and their color schemes were pleasing. The modern issues may be better examples of engraving, or they may not; they don't give one the pictorial delight of the oldtimers.

At present Washington and Franklin are chameleons, the former ranging from one to seven cents and the latter from 8 cents to $5, according to the stamp's hue. The Postoffice Department finds this arrangement confusing and productive of underpaid postage. So we may see new faces when the next issue comes out. There are surely a score of Americans well to be remembered whose presentments have never appeared on postage stamps and are deserving of the honor.—New York *Tribune,* Editorial Page.

PHILATELIC EXPOSITIONS.

Translated from *Mexico Postal* by D. N. Johnson.

A small exposition was held last May in Madrid, Spain, in the rooms of the Union Filatelica Espanola. Several very interesting speeches were made. One in particular concerning the designs adopted for the new issue of Spain, was especially meritorious.

The opening on September 7th, in Rio de Janeiro, of the great Exposition to commemorate the Centennial Anniversary of Brazil's 100 years of independence, is not being overlooked by Rio philatelists. The Sociedad Filatelica Paulista, is organizing a philatelic exposition to take place in September. The greatest specialized collections of Brazilian stamps known to exist will be on exhibit at this exposition.

The German stamp papers announce that a philatelic exposition will take place in Berlin from the fifteenth to the twenty-second of October. The exposition will be patronized by the leading German collectors, and has named as honorary president, M. Carl Lindenberg, celebrated for his untiring labors in behalf of philately.

SEPTEMBER PUZZLERS.

By T. H. Ames.

The frequency with which this department will appear will be governed entirely by the interest taken in it. No answers will mean no puzzles, while lots of answers will mean lots of puzzles and prizes. Any reader may compete. Answers should be sent to C. E. Severn, 713 Oxford Bldg., Chicago, Ill., by October 1. With each solution must be sent in one or more questions for further contests, to help the editor secure a diversity of subjects.

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3. What country's stamps picture two oceans?
4. What man's head is pictured on the stamps of France, 1863-70 issue?
5. What was the first Government to issue Air Mail stamps?
6. What country has issued two stamps picturing a "contingent"?
7. What stamps bear the motto "Dieu et Mon Droit"?
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EDITORIAL.

We are advised by a Washington correspondent that the post office department has been made aware of the fact that the postage stamp is about as close to the bosoms of the populace as their own hearth-stones are. No confidence is betrayed when it is said that the authorities find their admiration tinctured with amazement at the vigor and volume of the response from those who wish to uplift the postage stamp, as it is to come in the new issue. The word has gone forth that the department wants the aid and comfort of the more than hundred million citizens of this country in furnishing ideas and suggestions for stamp portraiture, as well as helpful hints generally on running the postal service. The newspapers have told of the popular choices of national heroes in the order: Theodore Roosevelt, Abraham Lincoln and General U. S. Grant. Scenic attractions and historical happenings that have been advanced include Niagara Falls, the National Bridge, Pike's Peak, Mt. Shasta and the Grand Canyon; Washington Crossing the Delaware and Washington at Valley Forge and other more or less imperishable incidents down the years to the world war. The humorist, too, would not be denied and some of the schemes of design are so bizarre as to make a saint smile. The common "peepul" are back of the post office department and it will be the department's fault if it is not smart enough to use the best material. From the *Christian Science Monitor* we learn that in addition to the "three-in-one" stamp that has been mentioned in the papers, it is asked that a "delayed Christmas stamp" be issued that would hold the article bearing it in storage in the post office, until the Christmas season, no matter when it was mailed. The suggestion that a heavy envelope for registration purposes be issued is an old one, but it is, nevertheless, one that has admitted claims to merit. The new issue of stamps is literally creating a lot of stamp talk.

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Here is the way in which one man, who was exasperated by the demands of the condition crank, paid his respects to the "all too critical". "The only comment I have to make on this phase is to suggest that these objectors suspend collecting until they reach Heaven where super-philatelists may revel in super-perfection of detail—that is, providing they like their associates there. Such collecting becomes a sort of micro-bacteriological laboratory work, from which all pleasure is eliminated in the exaltation of the impossible."

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From Professor E. G. Young of Nanyang College, Shanghai, whose article on the types of locomotives, depicted on stamps in the WEEKLY a good many moons ago, was so relished by readers, sends us a letter occasionally in which he chats familiarly on philatelic topics and from his latest, dated "July, the hottest, 1922," we take toll as follows: "There are rumors of the establishment of air-mail services between Peking and Peitaihio (a great summer resort near Shanhaikwan), Peking-Shanghai, Peking-Hankow, and Shanghai-Hankow. Between the last-named cities, air communication is badly needed as there is no rail connection. I called on Mr. Theodore Siddall, at the hospital, and found him cheerful mentally and improving physically and I had a pleasant visit. The official notice of the closing of the British post office, giving the dates on which each function would be suspended, was published July 23, 1922. Late in June, we had the first stamp show ever held in China, under the auspices of the local society. It was interesting to the collector and was quite well attended. And now,—what do you think of the enclosed? Yes, local surcharges on the one and two cent U. S., for Shanghai use. No information is given at the office concerning them: we 'gather' from the evidence, external and internal, the following: they are locally made, in rather limited quantity, probably with authority from Washington, as there have been unauthorized surcharges in the past which brought severe criticism on the former administration of the agency. The stamps went on sale about July 7th and were still on sale yesterday, the 14th. The one and the two are the only values so treated. On page 299, I note a reference to the Shanghai surcharges on U. S. Mr. Sylvester simply had the good fortune to buy the set at their lowest possible price, the exchange rate having crossed the two-to-one mark just about as his order was received. I, myself, happened to take a few at a price that figures only $2.845 gold, paying for them in silver, of course. At to-day's exchange they are worth about $3.15 gold."

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We notice that the St. Paul *Pioneer Press* enlarges upon a phase of stamp artistry that ordinarily is given little, if any, attention. In an editorial, "Stamps and Decoration", in which the statement is stressed that "at least, the tones selected might be more conciliatory, so that in the haphazard combinations with paper and ink, the clashes would not be so unpleasant. It is a small matter, of course. Still, stamps can be artistic without compromising their usefulness." The editor calls the red menace of the present two cent stamp an antagonist to almost any combination of paper and ink. While the understanding that the colors of the one, two and five cent stamps (and their equivalent values) accord with the postal union suggestions, green, red and blue, respectively, is not always honored, yet there is little likelihood that the U. S. will emulate Canada's recent example of independent color selection. We are afraid that the distinguished editor of the *Pioneer Press* with his knowledge of "the new modes in stationery" is an esthete whose refinements of taste dazes, rather than delights, the placid mind of the average stamp sticker.

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When we told a reporter on one of the newspapers at the convention that Mr. Hind paid $45,000 for the Mauritius cover, she showed that she thought that in our wish to give her a "story" we drew a long bow. "How could he bring himself to pay so much?" was the question that followed. This natural observation by a non-collector is worth considering. How could Mr. Hind pay a small fortune for a stamp? First of all, because Mr. Hind has that innate liking for stamps that persons who give a negative philatelic test cannot sense or understand by any analogy. Secondly, he is crowning his collecting career by getting those great rarities that seemed so remote to him when, as a young collector, he dreamed of the time when he might have them for himself; and thirdly, because Mr. Hind as a business man knows that his investment has justification on the cold basis of future return, if he cares to take advantage of the market, which ever must strengthen so far as stamps inherently good are concerned. One could string out a long recital of motives and reactions in the case of Mr. Hind and probably the balderdash that it would contain would be in direct ratio to the length of the story. We are glad that Mr. Hind is so much in the public eye, as we have an admiration for the man who sticks to his philatelic guns under the uncomprehending gaze of the mass of the philatelically unwashed.

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Several weeks ago, we received from Professor T. H. Goodspeed, now in England, *Punch* for June 14th, 1922, containing a happy philatelic travesty, "The True Cause of World-Unrest". *Punch* is a true humorist and the philatelic burlesque under notice is as good a bit of extravaganza at the expense of stamp collecting as ever gladdened eye. We shall have to reproduce this flawless piece of caricature, unmarred by a single exclamation point. The clever chap who concocted this philatelic brew is no camp-follower of philately; we suspect that he is the front ranks of philatelists.

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Our latest bout with the question of insurance on stamps seems to have been won rather handily by insurance. Different companies, it has been shown, will insure stamps and Lloyd's is said to invite business at the rate of one dollar for the hundred dollar valuation, on stamps in any situation and covering every hazard, "except drop in price." The restriction quoted makes the collector smile as without being a professional optimist, the last thing that would enter his mind would be the possibility of a slump in stamps in any general sense. That stamps have never seen a panic is a somewhat remarkable circumstance and even the ups and downs in philately have been comparatively mild. Abuses that in a sense grew up with stamp collecting and threatened to blight it were shaken off before their fell work was begun and the explanation to account for this condition must arise from the fact that for sixty years or from the time of its birth, there has not been a twelve-month during which the number of followers of collecting has not shown a gain.

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The third international congress of dealers in postage stamps will be held at Geneva, this year, on the 8, 9 and 10 days of September. These meetings of the stamp trade in Europe are most important occasions where problems confronting commercial philately are discussed and acted upon, while the business transacted in the aggregate by those in attendance has been spoken of as enormous, in years past.

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FIRST CLASS MAIL PERMITS.

By A. H. PIKE, 80 Grant St., Buffalo, N. Y.

Within two weeks after the July 22nd issue of the WEEKLY was out, we had received over three hundred letters from philatelists who were interested in collecting these markings. Since that time from five to ten letters a day have reached us. Since publishing the check list we have located 126 new varieties up to August 12th and there is no doubt hundreds of others are still to be found.

Before continuing a chronicle of new issues there are a few points we would like to offer for open discussion. We have heard no criticism on our classification as far as we went. There are some minor varieties that must be included and especially the errors of color. Originally Type B was invariably printed in black, but since the P. O. Dept. authorized these permits to be printed in the color of ink to correspond to the denomination of stamp that they represented, many of those who are still using Type B are printing them in the correct colors. Still we have come across many varieties printed in blue, brown and other colors. There are also many mistakes being made in other types, especially in Type E. We have seen the 2c in green, the 4c in red and the 2c in brown.

Philatelists are keen for these errors and we believe that it will be best to include these as a separate variety. There is also a variation of Type C not noted in our previous article. The main difference is that it has straight lines instead of wavy in the canceller. These have been made contrary to orders of the P. O. Dept. and we doubt if very many of them will be used. Shall we call these Type C-2, or have our readers a better idea?

Some wish to distinguish between those having the word "PERMIT" spelled in full and those with only the letter "P". Would you advise giving each of these a separate Type number? If any other distinct variety is discovered we would appreciate prompt information on it.

There seems to be some misunderstanding among a few of our correspondents and we have also noted the mistake in print. Although all meter marks are first class permits, not all first class permits are meter marks. So far there is only one company making a postage meter, although we have an illustration and some particulars of an invention of this kind to be manufactured on the Pacific coast. It is very incorrect to call an ordinary permit a meter mark. Types B and C are what we would call ordinary permits. All meter marks either have the word "meter" spelled in full followed by a number or as in Type D only the letter "M" to denote the meter.

First class permits from Chicago have reached as high as No. 2445. Those above No. 15 all seem to be of Type C and practically all used on Third Class mail. We are not sure as yet whether these numbers are from old Third Class permits or whether they have been given a new series, which, according to P. O. Dept. orders, they should have. Although we have something like fifty varieties of Type C from Chicago, we have identified only a few. We would greatly appreciate any information we can get on Chicago permits. Some of the drawings from which cuts were made for these permits are very crude and we can see no reason for the change to this style of permit. Although the denomination of postage runs from one to four cents they are used on printed matter of the third class and are printed in black.

There is quite a little discussion as to whether to keep these full size or to trim them down. Some have suggested to keep only the face of the envelope, others are cutting off the top two to three inches all the way across so as to include the name of mailer. The majority prefer to trim them all uniform to 2x4. With meter marks this latter size is preferable for we are able to check every meter from manufacturers' records. With other types than meter marks this is not so easily done, so until check lists are published it would be better to keep the record complete either in the entire or front or the strip across.

There is considerable confusion regarding the 2x4. This size has been standard with collectors of postal markings for the past ten years and there are millions and millions of these slips in the hands of collectors. This size means four inches lengthwise of the envelope (East and West) by two inches high (North and South). Meter marks or postal markings of any kind cut smaller than this size are hard to dispose of. The reasons for adopting this size were to keep everything uniform and file them like a card index, alphabetically by post offices under each state. By this arrangement much time could be saved in adding to or taking from while the collection was being built up. At any time varieties could be removed, trimmed smaller and mounted to suit the ideas of the owner.

You will remember back in the early days when government envelope stamps were popular. Hundreds of collectors cut these out of the envelope to shape and close to the stamp. It was decided that they should be cut square with large margins. Those cut out to shape became worthless. The thousands of collectors of postal markings had a perfect right to decide this issue for themselves and those who are taking up the new philately now will find it much to their interests to conform to this size or larger; never smaller.

Please report to me everything new that you see and do it as promptly as possible. We have the assurance that a booklet will eventually be published on this subject with a check list. The quicker we locate the varieties already issued the quicker you will have the advantages of a work of this kind. Either send specimens or give good and complete descriptions of each, including (1) City and State, (2) permit number, (3) if a meter mark give number, (4) Type, (5) denomination of postage, (6) color of ink, (7) name of user, (8) date or dates of your specimens, and any other facts necessary. It will be impossible for us to give prompt replies to all letters, but we will do the best we can and assure you in advance of our appreciation.

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1914, 4d, No. 8, white back ..... .80
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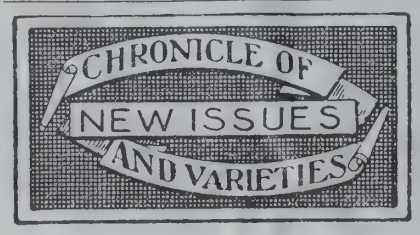

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—My notes of last week regarding the Springfield sale, held during the American Philatelic Society Convention, were from memory and now that I have the priced catalogue before me I am able to give some of the prices realized by the choicer items. As mentioned the finest piece, the block of twenty-one of the 10c 1851, sold at $1,825 and was purchased in behalf of Mr. Hind. An Indianapolis collector purchased the mint block of the 24c 1870, National print, in a truly wonderful condition at a price of $520.00. A pair of the 5c New York on cover cancelled with pen strokes changed hands at $100. A 5c 1847 on cover with "New York & N. Haven R. R." cancellation sold at $21.65, while a pair of the same stamp on cover with dot in "s" was knocked down at $33.50.

A mint block of nine of the 1c 1857 showing both type I and II went to Judge Emmerson at $123.00, while a mint block of four of the type Ia sold for $152.50. A copy of the imperforate 2c green 1887 sold at $12.50, while a 6c 1895 with revenue watermark, used of course, sold for $46.00. In the way of 20th century varieties a 2c double print block of twelve of the surface print, Scott's No. 436b, sold at $44.00, the 2c surface print type I, Scott's type four, guide and arrow blocks with the four plate blocks sold at $99.00. A cancelled copy of the $20 state, the only scarce department in the sale, sold within $5 of catalogue value.

We desire to thank Mr. L. B. Hill, Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, for bringing our list of plate numbers up to and including those assigned to August 7, 1922.

Plate.	Denom.	Class.	Series.	No.	Subj.
13848-851	2c	Ord.	1911		400
13852-855	5c	"	"		400
13856-857	1c	Ord. Cvd.	"		170
13858-859	1c	" "	"		400
13860-863	15c	Ord.	"		400
13864-871	2c	"	"		400
13872-873	1c	Ord. Cvd.	"		170
13874-875	2c	" "	"		170
13876-877	1c	Ord. Cvd.	"		170
13878-889	2c	Ord.	"		400
13890-893	1c	Ord. Cvd.	"		400
13894-897	1c	" "	"		170
13898-905	2c	Ord.	"		400
13906-907	1c	Ord. Cvd.	"		170
13908-909	1c	" "	"		400
13910-911	1c	" "	"		170
13912-915	2c	Ord.	"		400
13916-923	10c	Spec. Del.	1922		200
13924-927	2c	Ord.	1911		400
13928-929	1c	Ord. Cvd.	"		150
13930-931	1c	" "	"		170
13932-935	2c	Ord.	"		400
13936-937	1c	Ord. Cvd.	"		400
13938-939	2c	" "	"		170
13940-941	1c	" "	"		400
13942-943	1c	" "	"		170
13944-947	2c	Ord.	"		400
13948-949	1c	Ord. Cvd.	"		400
13950-953	7c	Ord.	"		400
13954-957	2c	"	"		400
13958-961	2c	Ord. Cvd.	"		170
13962-963	1c	" "	"		400
13964-967	2c	Book	"		360
13968-969	1c	Ord. Cvd.	"		170
13970-971	2c	" "	"		170
13972-975	2c	Ord.	"		400
13976-977	1c	Ord. Cvd.	"		170
13978-981	2c	Ord.	"		400
13982-983	1c	Ord. Cvd.	"		400
13984-985	2c	" "	"		170
13986-989	2c	Ord.	"		400
13990-991	1c	Ord. Cvd.	"		400
13992-999	2c	Ord.	"		400
14000-001	1c	Ord. Cvd.	"		400
14002-005	1c	Ord.	"		400
14006-007	1c	Ord. Cvd.	"		400
14008-011	2c	Ord.	"		400

It will be noted from the above list that eight plates were made from the die for the new Special Delivery stamp, plates bearing numbers 13916-13923. It seems, however, that the initial supply placed on sale at Washington were from the first four and it is possible that the other four will not be used until the stock of the older issue has become exhausted. A set of 7c and a set of 15c plates are in this lot and it is quite likely that by the time more of these denominations are required the dies for the new series will be ready. The same remarks may apply to the series of the 8c plates, although this denomination is used more often. There are only a few of the 1c flat plates in the list and it seems that the rotary plates are almost entirely replacing them in the case of this value.

Mr. Eugene Klein shows me a freak copy of the 1c 1901 Pan-American issue, wherein the green border was printed with a wide vertical fold in the sheet while the center was printed with the paper normal thus giving the stamp quite an odd appearance.

Mr. William H. Emmert has shown me copies of the circular die 1c green envelope from die D on both blue and amber. This variety is now known on all papers, although the amber which have been seen with the imprint of a Baltimore concern seem somewhat scarce.

Mr. R. H. Mason has located three new overprinted envelopes not listed heretofore.

1920-21, 2c on 3c Provisional Envelopes.
Detroit Overprint.
Die H on white, Size 5, Wmk. 19, H. B.
Indianapolis Overprint.
Die A on buff, Size 5, Wmk. 19, L. B.
St. Paul Overprint.
Die A on white, Size 3, Wmk. 20, L. B.

Messrs. Harold I. Whittaker and Chas. E. Carman send interesting clippings from the daily papers regarding the contemplated new series of United States stamps. We also wish to thank Messrs. George E. Virden, W. A. Beach, F. C. Ryan and William Voigt for notes of interest.

ALBANIA.—The Economist Stamp Co. have shown us a set of five values of new design for use in this country. The stamps are imperforate and show the double eagle in the centre and figures of value in all four corners. At the is "Vetekeverria", at the left "Po: at the right "E Mirdities" and at b base "Quintar". The value and co are 5q green, 10q red, 25q blue, lilac grey and 1f orange. The 1f also been overprinted "25 Quint" in lines in black in the centre with a h bar line at the base and short bars at top obliterating the former figures value.

BARBUDA.—Mr. Erwin Strasser mits to us for chronicle the follov values of Leeward Islands surcha "Barbuda": ½d, 1d, 2d, 2½d, 3d, 6d, All are overprinted in black except the 1sh value which is in red. Strasser also adds that the P. O. D of Barbuda informs him that 2sh, 4sh and 5sh are also on sale.

BELGIUM.—Mr. Henry Hooreman the Economist Stamp Co. report the pearance of a new 25c stamp in a violet shade. In the centre is a likeni of the King and at the top "Belgiq" and at the base "Belgie" with the figu of value at each side. The stamp be the imprint of Leon Houyoux. Hooreman further notes that it placed on sale the 20th of last mo and is printed in sheets of 100.

CYPRUS.—Mr. R. Roberts adv under date of July 20th of the appeara of the 1½ piastre yellow and bl script watermark, double jubilee line two colors in sheets of 120.

DANZIG.—Mr. J. L. Riedel reports appearance of three new values in latest postage due set. They are 75, and 300pf.

DUTCH INDIES.—Mr. Fletcher F. Is advises us that he has recently recei the following provisionals: 12½c red) on 17½c red brown (Scott's 113); 12½c (in red) on 22½c ora (Scott's No. 115); 20c (in blue) on same value as last noted; 32½c blue) on 50c green (Scott's No. 11

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67 1861, 5c yellow .....
* 132 1869, 90c carmine & black
* 436A 2c carmine, Die IV, block 4
*1504 10c Agriculture .....
*1506 15c Agriculture .....
*1531 24c Justice .....
*1570 $20 State .....
Belgium, 73, 2c; 74, 1c; 75, 2c.
*27 **Cape Good Hope**, 3p on 6p blue
35 **Fiji** 1876, 6p rose .....
Fiji, 40, 12c; 42, 20c; 44, 25c; 45, 15c.
Honduras, 133, 2c; 134, 2c; 152, 2c; 153, 154, 3c.
36 **Hawaii** 1875, 12c black .....
167 **New Zealand**, 1½p brown orange
*10 **Prince Edward Is.** 1870, 4½p brown
Prince Edward, 4, 65c; 5, 15c; 11, 15c.
Salvador 362, 2c; 402, 1c; 407, 2c.
2 **So. Australia**, 2p carmine..(4.00)
14 **Straits**, Johore, 2c/24c grn. (2.00)
11 **Tasmania** 1857, 1p carmine .....
*13 1857, 4p blue .....
Tasmania, 32, 60c; 32b, 40c.
*99 **Transvaal** 1878, 3p claret .....
17 **Victoria** 1854, 6p orange .....
46 1854, 4p rose .....
84 1864, 6p blue .....
Victoria, 65, 35c; 68, 60c; 74, 60c; 76, 114a, 40c; 115, 30c; 118, 40c; 145, 25c; 12c; 147, 18c; 151, 35c; 152, 25c; 159, 192, 40c; 227, 5c; 228, 5c.
24b **Western Australia** 1861, 1p rose ..
42b 1p on 3p red brown ....(3.00)
48 6p violet .....
W. Australia, 57, 25c; 59, 7c; 71, 25c.
Esthonia, 203, 204 .....(.13)
Fiume, 24, 25, 26 .....(3.25)
1 to 312, 43 varieties .....(73.07)
Germany, 225, 226 .....(.11)
Hungary, 351 to 360, 4 varieties .....
1102 to 1153, 13 varieties ....(1.10)
Hungary, 1501 to 1574, 48 vars. (48.98)
Liechtenstein, 201-212, 12 vars. .....
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We frankly confess that the Dictionary as it appears is only the forerunner of a great book to be published in future years. We desire the co-operation of our readers in connection with the proposed supplement, and offer three cash prizes of $15, $10 and $5 respectively for the best lists of additions turned in by Jan. 1, 1923. We require, however, that there shall be at least ten lists to award the first prize, twenty to award the second and thirty to award the third.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

sbell further notes that there are arieties of the 32½c on 50c; one ich the three lines obliterating the r value are about ¾mm apart and her in which the lines are about The 2½c type all has been issued nge color and the 5c of the same 1 green.

MANY.—Mr. J. L. Riedel submits ronicle a copy of the 5 mark stamp design with posthorn in the The color is orange and yellow. opies of 5pf green and 10pf orange Official set.

—The new issue of postage and e stamps which we foreshadowed in active preparation. At present ies comprises 1½, 2 and 3a and ies, the *annas* being printed in one direct from steel plates in red, nd blue respectively, the 1r being -printed in two colours—centre border and value in green. The are somewhat larger than the y postage size, and are being on white Script CA paper. *p Collecting.*

—Mr. R. Roberts sends us a copy 9 pies on 1a stamp of India with ded overprint "Jind" in block between the word "Pies" and the iterating 1 anna. These are print- heets of 256 and have no errors eties.

-SLAVIA.—The *Times* announces ending issue of stamps "bearing eness of King Alexander". Per- we fail to see the need of new yet awhile, unless they are intended to celebrate the recent wedding of King Alexander, whose portrait already appears on nine of the adhesives current throughout his unified kingdom of Jugo-Slavia and Serbia.

Meanwhile, the remainders of the charity postage stamps of December, 1920, are being reissued, surcharged with high values in "dinars", for use in the parcels post service. The 15pa of this set has already appeared with the surcharge "20 dinar", for use on parcels.—*Stamp Collecting.*

MALTA.—On authority of the Crown Agents for the Colonies, *Stamp Collecting* is able to give the values of the overdue "Constitutional" series, due for early issues, viz.:—¼d, ½d, 1d, 2d, 3d, 4d, 6d, 1s. 2s, 2s 6d, 5s, 10s, £1. The stamps will be printed on white Script CA paper.—*Stamp Collecting.*

MALTA.—Louis Carabott and Bright and Son advise us that the delayed "Constitutional" series is beginning to be issued. Up to the time of writing the following values are on sale: ½d, 1d, 6d, 1sh and 2sh. The ½d and 1d together with the 6d are of the same type, showing the figure of a woman in the centre with a view of the harbor in the background. The shilling values are of a different design and picture a soldier with a woman with an olive branch in her hand. The colors are as follows: ½d green, 1d orange and maroon, 6d olive and purple, 1sh bistre and blue and 2sh blue and brown. Mr. Carabott also adds that the remaining values of this set will be on sale within a few days. All are script watermarked with the first three values reading downwards and are in sheets of 160, while the other two values are printed in sheets of 80.

MAURITIUS.—The Economist Stamp Co. send us the 2c brown, 4c olive green and rose, and the 12c gray on script watermarked paper.

NEW ZEALAND.—Several correspondents having drawn the attention of the *Australian Stamp Journal* to minor defects in the ½d Victory stamps surcharged 2d (some with a hollow stop), our Sydney contemporary is of the opinion that these varieties are all due to defective reproductions from the master die, "for if all the reproductions were the same as the original setting, then there would be no defective prints at all." These remarks apply to all stamps printed by the electrotype process. Copies of the ½d provisional are no longer obtainable at the Dominion offices.—*Stamp Collecting.*

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10m, No. 75	1.00
40p, No. 81	.02
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1919 Surcharged.	
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1921	
10p blue	.02
50p green	.02

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60p violet	.03
2m, No. 126	.10
3m, No. 127	.15
GREECE.	
1900-01	
*20l/25l, No. 129	.10
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11 to 25l, Nos. 165 to 171, ea.	.01
30l, No. 172	.06
*40l, No. 173	.13
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*3dr, No. 177	.60
*5dr, No. 178	.80
1902	
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1dr, No. 182	.22
1906	
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20l, No. 189	.03
25l, No. 190	.04
30l, No. 191	.20
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1, 2, 5, 10l, Nos. 198-9, 201-2, ea.	.01
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*1m50p	.12
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1917-18 Surcharged.	
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*5l/60l, No. 314a	.25
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*20l/90l, No. 322	.15
*1l/10l, No. 333	.12
*5l/10l, No. 339	.12
1902 Postage Due.	
*1l, No. 448	.02

GREECE—Continued.

*2l, No. 449	.02
*3l, No. 450	.03
*5l, No. 451	.03
*10l, No. 452	.04
*20l, No. 453	.06
*25l, No. 454	.10
*30l, No. 455	.12
*40l, No. 456	.13
40l, No. 456	.10
*50l, No. 457	.15
50l, No. 457	.06
1dr, No. 458	.20
*2dr, No. 459	.40
*3dr, No. 460	.60
*5dr, No. 461	1.00
1912 Samos.	
1l, No. 624	*.10
5l, No. 625	*.10
*10l, No. 626	.13
25l, No. 627	*.15
50l, No. 628	*.20
1l, No. 630	.03
5l, No. 631	.04
10l, No. 632	.05
25l, No. 633	.08
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40l, No. 708	.20
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16a, No. 28a	.63
20a, No. 29	.08
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4a, No. 30	.08
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5a, No. 36	.02
6a, No. 37	.04
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20a, No. 47	*.12
25a, No. 48	*.15
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10a, No. 54	.06
16a, No. 55	*.25
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6a, No. 75	.05
10a, No. 76	.03
15a, No. 77	.05
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1911-12	
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50a, No. 169	
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20a, No. 173g	
*16a, No. 177	
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stamps which they have noted as the Odessa issue. The stamps are of rather unusual designs and of the following values and colors: 250r red, 500r blue, 750r orange, 1,000r steel grey, 2,500r purple, 5,000r brown and 10,000r dark green.

SALVADOR.—The Economist Stamp Co. send us copies of several new issues of this country: 1c green, portrait of Francisco Menendez; 5c orange, triangular in shape; 6c red, view of an historical event, oblong shape; 10c blue; 60c purple, picture of the Independence Monument; 1col brown, with likeness of Cristobal Colon.

SEYCHELLES.—The following new colors may be expected shortly, supplies having already been printed:—3c black, 6c "blue-purple," 12c red, 15c yellow, 4c green, 20c blue. The stamps will appear on white Script CA paper.—*Stamp Collecting.*

SPANISH COLONIES.—We quote The *Times:*—"Pictorial designs are about to be introduced for the Spanish Colonies in place of the present unsatisfactory types, with which the King of Spain has expressed his dissatisfaction. The future stamps of Spanish Guinea will depict a characteristic coast scene, with a canoe in the foreground, with a native in the prow and another at the stern, about to put off from the shore. At the side of the vignette, enclosed in a different frame for each value, is a tall plane tree. The stamps for the settlements in Morocco will show a typical Moorish archway."—*Stamp Collecting.*

WURTEMBERG.—Mr. J. L. Riedel calls our attention to the official stamps of the 2 and 3 mark values which are now being printed in slate blue and brown, respectively. These are in the Municipal Service type of 1895 and are watermarked Crosses and Circles, perf. 11½x11.

TRY YOUR LUCK.

NEW YORK, Aug. 18. Among the suggestions received by the postoffice department for designs on the new stamps are many that likenesses of Babe Ruth and Charley Chaplin decorate them.

These suggestions are being considered, of course, but thus far Theodore Roosevelt and Abraham Lincoln are running far ahead of the baseball and movie stars.

Several think a stamp depicting a flivver with an eagle on the radiator would be just the proper thing. One genius suggests printing triangular stamps, perforated down the center, with a "two" on one side and a "one" on the other, so that the purchaser would be provided with a three-cent stamp, a one and a two to be used at his option. —Detroit *Free Press.*

NEW STAMPS FOR OLD.

(The following clipping from the New York "Evening Post" sent us by Philip S. Cohen treats very humorously the new stamp situation which confronts us. The "Post's" editorial certainly indicates a wide range of subjects from which selections may be made. No doubt some of our readers may wonder why a stymie putt is not made a subject for consideration.—W. O. W.)

Since the monopoly which Washington and Franklin for long have exercised over the imagination of the Post Office Department and the Bureau of Engraving and Printing is at last to be broken by the issuance of a new series of stamps, the Government should be open to suggestions. First, of course, enthusiasts will put forward names of additional candidates for philatelic fame, and America is rich in worthies who deserve well enough of their country to merit such tribute.

But is putting a statesman's face upon a postage stamp quite fair to the deceased? Some statesmen are not naturally handsome and others dote on whiskers. No small engraved resemblance can do justice to whiskers. That eliminates Benjamin Harrison, Hayes, and Garfield, to say nothing of Chester A. Arthur. Even the common or garden mustache is a liability on a postage stamp, although the late King Humbert's moustachios were of such piratical prominence that they made the man a picture. Then we are bound to remember what happens to a postage stamp directly it comes into use. It is promptly cancelled; the rubber stamp has its way with the immortal features of our illustrious dead, and the result is something which thereafter interests nobody but the stamp collector.

Perhaps the handsomest stamps the Government ever has circulated have been those prepared in connection with the World's Fair, the Panama Exposition, and other celebratory events. It would be easy to design a series of stamps setting forth American history in miniature—the landing of Columbus, Washington crossing the Delaware, Lee and Grant at Appomattox, the Battle of Lake Erie, and other historical incidents which lend themselves to decorative treatment. It would be easy to overdo the thing by including Pocahontas in the act of saving Captain John Smith or the Native Sons of the Golden West chasing the Heathen Chinee across Frisco Sand Lots. Discretion would be necessary.

An alternative scheme includes the reproduction of State seals. Every State has a seal which none of its citizens recognize. Some of them are beautiful, and all possess hidden symbolic meanings which it would be well for us to know. Most of them contain also Latin words and phrases, so that this idea is certain to have the backing of Leagues for Classical Culture the world over.

America's scenic beauties offer another entrancing range of subjects. N agara Falls, the Grand Canyon o Colorado, Pike's Peak, Yosemite the giant Sequoias—these surely find favor in the public eye. would have to be exercised, howev keep down the demands of Chambe Commerce for recognition of their by peaks and glens. Adams (M would lobby for Greylock, Los A for Old Baldy, Kansas City for Drive. Perhaps the dangers are great. Better let the sleeping lio sectionalism sleep on undisturbed.

One alluring suggestion is that new stamps contain likenesses of A ica's native wild animals. Any one has a nickel to his name may ob that the bison is a highly deco beast. The Bighorn sheep and Rocky Mountain goat are also crea of distinction, while moose, elk, and have long appealed alike to lith phers and lodges. Chicago might ins the polecat, which bestowed its nam on the metropolis of the West, but this is not discouraging. Polecats beautiful—on paper.

Putting human heads on po stamps is a custom running back t days when illiterates confounded state and the ruler. The ruler's protected the mails. Now the Go ment protects them with marines soldiers, so we might as well make stamps serve the purposes of art education.

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By FRANKLIN H. CHASE.

(This interesting article appeared recently in the Syracuse, N. Y., "Journal." It is so interesting as a travel talk that we give it space in the WEEKLY. Mr. Chase has the happy faculty of writing in an interesting, happy vein. The article will no doubt prove as readable to our subscribers as it was to the writer of this note.—W. O. W.)

One of the most beautiful spots on earth is the Austrian Tyrol, and the little berg of Bucks in the mountains is so picturesque that even when you stand and gaze upon the snowcapped peaks you feel as if it couldn't be so real, that it must be a picture some artist has dreamed. Yet, as you look out upon this wonderful landscape it grows tiresome to you, something in you makes you feel as if you would like to punch a head, and the worst that is in you comes out—for that is the place where the Austrian officers go through your baggage to see if you have bought anything upon which they can collect duty, hold up your passport and make you show all the money you have in your pockets. * * *

For nosey officials I recommend those at Bucks, and I speak feelingly after experiences in 30 or more countries. I don't know yet just what they were looking for, as no ordinary amount of Austrian money that would come to any more than 34 cents could be taken out in anything but a hold-all. I showed them 300 francs and they couldn't believe we were going to live long in Paris on that, and so I added a check drawn on Paris. I knew from the way the official looked at it that he didn't know any more about it than he did the paper of the man before me, over which there was a consultation as to whether or not it was Bolshevist literature. After allowing them to hold a conference of the whole office on it, the owner told them it was an advertisement of the Passion Play at Oberammergau.

I've said all along that the trouble with Europe was that it had too many line fences, and after you have unpacked and packed your luggage five times in a day in crossing these line fences, you feel as if the additional cutting up of Europe by the peace conference was an imposition.

Europe today is like a jig-saw puzzle map. It costs every American $10 to get from one pocket-handkerchief country to the other, and all trains wait two hours at each fence while they search you and your luggage. "What time do we get to the border?" I asked the conductor when we were crossing Switzerland. He said it would be 9 p. m. I asked him what would happen if I should go to bed at 8 o'clock. "Well, they would have to come in here and search you," was the reply. "Here's where I make them come to me instead of going to them—make up my bed." And I went to bed and lay there reading when a tap came on the door of the compartment. They had come to me. The officer took one look, asked two questions and disappeared. All the other passengers had to have their luggage toted out, go through the examinations and have it carried back. This "sick" man had found a way to beat the customs and passports at night, anyway.

It seems to make all the officials of middle Europe feel badly if anybody gets away with any of their old money unspent.

Germany, and especially Bavaria, are the worst. Under the German laws no traveler is allowed to leave the country with more than 3,000 marks if the journey originated in Germany. The exchange is such that that doesn't leave him enough money to get to Paris, but then, you cannot tell any German how hard it is to get to Paris. * * *

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Then the consuls will also tell you that if you happen to have gold money it can only be regained by appeal to the ministry of finance and great inconvenience. * * *

"What if I took in other kinds of money besides German marks?" I asked the consul at Venice. "We are advising everybody to make a declaration on going into Germany of all their gold, paper and checks, and take a certificate; then I think they will be allowed to take out all they brought in, except that which was spent, and in exactly the same form in which it was taken in, and not to exchange it." * * *

So the only man who won't feel lonesome in getting in or out of Germany is the man who has just been through the business of making out his income tax report.

The man who said that the "love of money was the root of all evil," didn't know how debased that love could be, and that getting 8,100 kronen for a dollar is an awful test on that love. You know, so many admit the truth of this old saying, and then add that just the same they would like a lot of the "root." Why, they can get enough of the "root" here in Austria with which to paper the entire nursery for four dollars.

Let me tell you a few things that dollars swapped into kronen will do in Austria. The wise man will buy his railroad tickets to the first city across the line in Austria, change his money into kronen and then buy his tickets onward. F'rinstance, in Austria we got two breakfasts in the dining car, paid for in kronen, and they came to 32 cents for both; then lunch, that came to 67 cents for both lunches and included something that gives cellars reputations in the U. S. A. Then the train crossed the line into Switzerland, and we had to pay for meals in Swiss francs. Mind you, the same dining car, the same service and the same menu, and the check was $3 for two meals. That's a concrete instance of how the kronen works. Can you beat it?

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And, when we left, after 10 days of wonderful top-notch living, I scattered 50,000 kronen in tips and they were so tickled that the whole staff lined up to give us a farewell and to urge us to come again, while the management presented the partner of my travels with flowers. Yet 50,000 kronen was only $6.25. You can be a millionaire in Austria on a beer income.

COMMENT FROM CHINA.

Nothing you have recently published has given more pleasure than Mr. Hart's tales of his wanderings. Permit me then in no spirit of criticism to supplement his information at one or two points.

1. The main Japanese post office at Tientsin ("I. J. P. O.") is located on Asahi Road, the main street of their concession. There are two exceptionally accommodating stamp clerks there. The I. J. P. O. there as here is on a scale comparable with the head office of the Chinese Post office—fine buildings, good location and big staffs. Compared with its obvious importance all the other foreign posts are paled into significance. It is a very common thing by the way to receive matter handled through the I. J. P. O. entirely within China franked with ordinary Japanese stamps.

2. There is no Italian post office in Tientsin. I think it must have been abandoned in 1919, because late in that year I made consistent search for the office and could not locate it. I understand that the two Italian offices were established to facilitate the handling of mail originating in an internment camp. The stamps while not priced high seem to be very scarce here. "Shanghai" and value surcharges also exist in very small numbers, but these were entirely unnecessary, produced for a short-lived (one mail, perhaps?) experimental service.—E. G. YOUNG.

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Collectors' buttons, and the like, always seemed more or less of an absurdity to me and I used to consign such circulars as I received advertising either the Stanley Gibbons emblem or our own Poole-Wylie pin, to the wastebasket with a scornful smile. Yet one of these very signs of philately brought about a shipboard acquaintance which helped nicely to pass the long hours between New York and Plymouth, England.

It was the second day at sea when I chanced to notice on the watchchain of a gentleman some deck-chairs away, a triangular Cape, done in gold. I recognized it at once as the charm sold by Gibbons of London, and hastened over to meet a fellow-collector. The bearer of the Cape emblem was Percival Gregory of London, returning home from a two-month's business trip through the United States and Canada in the interests of his woolen products house, situated in Manchester. He is an ardent collector of Victorian issues, with a strong leaning toward the imperforate issues. He had visited our principal dealers and had three pocket stock-books crammed full of good things. Among them were 193 copies of early Tasmanian stamps including many pairs, a few strips and a block. These had all been purchased from the stock of one of our new Western dealers.

Some of Mr. Gregory's comments regarding a comparison between American and British stamp shops will be of interest to WEEKLY readers. He said that in England the stamp shops are for the greater part ground floor establishments, with handsome display fronts. In contrast to this, American dealers are generally sky-scraper denizens, with all too often nothing more than a tiny card at the ground-floor entrance, and if there is any display, it is generally of the cheapest kind of stamps possible, "as though the proprietor was afraid that someone would break into his little frame that very night, and wanted to be sure that nothing of value would be secured." He was much impressed by the Scott Company's uptown store and compared Vahan Mozian's and the John M. Bartel Company's offices and stocks very favorably with those of leading British houses.

Mr. Gregory was no more familiar with the WEEKLY than most American collectors are with the British journals, but after having read the several copies I had with me, declared it to be "Some paper, bah Jove." The dictionary interested him particularly, and he said he would order one through Mr. Vallencey, who handles the WEEKLY publications for the British Isles.

Speaking of meeting a fellow-collector on shipboard through the medium of a collector's emblem reminds me of a somewhat similar occurrence in Philadelphia last winter. I was riding down town on a street car to join a theater party and was reading a copy of the WEEKLY when a neighbor in the car asked me if the Philadelphia Stamp Club was having a meeting that night. Mutual self-introductions followed. The inquirer proved to be Mr. P. W. Fuller of Baltimore, who like myself is a collector of United States proofs and essays. Mr. Fuller purchased the proof and essays portion of the Worthington collection practically *en bloc* at the Morgenthau sale covering them. He has what is now perhaps the finest collection of such pieces in America.

I have been in Paris for little longer than time enough to arrange for a home next winter. I did, however, make a short call on an old and valued correspondent, M. Jean Charlot, whose home was not far from my hotel. He has a splendid collection of early United States stamps, which have been his interest for years. He asked me if I knew the present whereabouts of a strip of 10 across the entire sheet 5-cent or 10-cent 1847, he had forgotten which, on entire cover sent from New York to Washington or *vice versa* and once offered by Mr Rothfuchs of Boston whom many collectors will remember as a dealer of a generation ago and the handler of a large lot of Hawaiian issues. I was unable to give M. Charlot this information. I have never seen the cover in question, but have a vague recollection of having seen a photograph of it, sent to me by the late H. Wesley Legg at least ten years ago. Who knows anything about this cover? It must be in one of the famous American collections.

I was in Avignon two weeks ago and called on a collector there who had at one time sent me a strange order. It was for a complete set of U. S. A., 1902 issue stamps, 1-cent to $5, used on one cover. It was accompanied with a proper remittance—20% over face—so I had made up the cover and had given an obliging clerk a couple of cigars to cancel the stamps nicely, after which the envelope was sent to its owner enclosed in another one. I had always wondered why such a cover had been wanted. The visit answered my question. The collec-

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tion I saw is a truly unique one, scores upon scores of twentieth century sets each used upon cover, or to be exact, each set cancelled to order on cover, for I did not see one that seemed to have done actual postal service. The only explanation I could get out of the owner was that getting stamps in this way, he was certain that they were genuine! Of course, there could be no question about it. Had they not been "used"?

The European stamp papers have been following the Los Angeles suit with great interest. A number of stamp people have asked me what I knew about the case. I could tell them only what I had read in our papers. The impression seems to be about that Mr. Galvez the Spanish dealer was called to America to testify in the case. I explained that I thought he was merely called to the stand as an expert who happened to be available, as was the case with Mr. Phillips of Stanley Gibbons of London.

There has been some speculation in the French papers as to what is going to happen to the Principality of Monaco since the death of Prince Albert. I have seen two articles which urge annexation. Monaco is after all, an anachronism in these days of national states, a remnant of feudal days with their petty territories. As it is, however, Monaco is so closely bound to France by treaty agreements of one kind and another that it is a principality in little more than name.

There has been annexation talk many times in the past. It is inevitable that this step be taken sooner or later, but in view of the present European situation, it is highly improbable that the matter will be decisively settled now. It is generally expected that the present arrangement will continue. This will mean a coronation in the near future, and a coronation surcharge issue and another new permanent one are being looked for early in the fall.

I understand that Mr. Ross Shaughnassy, the San Francisco dealer was in Paris lately, attending one of the Ferrari sales as agent for a group of western collectors. I have also heard that Mr. J. Saulnier of the Fordham Stamp Exchange has been in Europe lately, combining business with pleasure.

LUXEMBURG EXHIBITION.

Under the patronage of the Prince Consort Felix de Bourbon-Parme, an International Philatelic Exhibition and Congress was held in the Municipal Palace of the City of Luxembourg from August 27 to 31, under the auspices of the Union des Timbrophiles de Luxembourg. By permission of the postal authorities, souvenir stamps were issued in a design resembling that of the current 5 francs postage stamp, showing a view of the Grand Bridge over the Alzette. Many English philatelists visited the exhibition.—*London Times.*

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—Henry A. Kiehl submits for our inspection three specimens of the 2c green Canada in gray, yellow and dark green shades. The shades are quite distinctive and well described. He also submits the 1c orange perf. 8 vertically, 2c green perf. 8 vertically, and 4c bistre perf. 12.

—The Fennell Stamp Co., Fullerton Bdg., St. Louis, Mo., would like the present address of Frank P. Hart, formerly 1290 Washington St., Canton, Mass.

—Robert Hubach Jr. sends a specimen of a new cancellation from Norfolk, Va. It reads, "Third Anniversary Greater Norfolk Fair, Sept. 4-9, 1922".

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—F. A. Goldsmith has shown us a new postal cancellation from Mitchell, S. D. It reads:—"Corn Palace Exposition, Sept. 25-30, 1922".

—Dr. W. L. Babcock of Detroit is on a trip across the water. We have heard from him from London and have no doubt he will have a fine lot of treasures with him upon his return to the U. S. Dr. Babcock is without doubt duplicating the successful trip of two years ago.

—A longtime subscriber, Hans Ueberall of Chemnitz, Germany, sends us a card of greeting from the 19th German Collectors Day held at Leipzig in August. The card bears a distinctive philatelic postmark.

—P. W. IRELAND—"China" has not been completed as yet. It will be reprinted ultimately.

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—Geo. J. Gissible, 43 Faass Ave., Utica, N. Y., can get no returns from Prentice Crosby, Springville, N. Y. If interested, write Mr. Gissible.

—Cuero, Texas, is on the map with a "picture ad" cancellation, something quite different than has ever been used before. It is an American Type (flag) design reading "Cuero, Texas, Nov. 9, 10, 11, 1922." in one line and below a drawing of a turkey making fast speed toward the West. The turkey is fully an inch and a half long. August 26th is the earliest date we have seen.

—"I have just completed a check list of all U. S. and Canada advertising marks, and this will be published in the *Collectors' Digest* for Sept."—A. H. PIKE.

—Attention of collectors should be called to the fact that one L. S. Propper, Rakoczi Ut. 11 IV-6, Budapest, Hungary, writes that he would like to enter into the exchange of postage stamps. Upon receipt of a selection, he reciprocates with stamps of the "Banat Issue" of Hungary (which are very desirable) and if genuine, would catalog slightly more than those sent him. Those that I have received have been pronounced as bearing forged overprints. The opinion was made by Mr. Eugene Klein, International Secretary and Counterfeit Detector of the American Philatelic Society.—H. E. ROBERTSON.

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Would not Volstead's physiognomy be entirely proper for the five-cent, fifteen-cent and twenty-five cent stamps, commemorating what he did to the one-time fairly general circulation of the nickel in exchange for a schooner and to the fifteen-cent or two-for-a-quarter barter for harder wares?

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Attorney General Daugherty's classic countenance would look good, some suggest, on the thirty-cent variety, while President Harding, on a pachyderm rampant, embossed with high tariff tacks, should make a dandy seventy-five-cent stamp, this being the standard caddy hire for eighteen holes, we are informed.

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*1915, Nos. 235, 236	.28	.15	*1918, Nos. 245-247	.12	.10
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*1916, Nos. 239, 240	.11	.10	*1918, 8 vars	.31	.15

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ALTERATIONS IN THE SCHEME OF EXHIBITION COMPETITION.

We have received from Fred J. Melville a letter from which we quote the following:—

"I am sending you herewith some important revisions, they are extentions rather than alterations in the Scheme of Competitions for the London International Stamp Exhibition. They are designed to give added prominence to the groups in which American collectors are interested, and I should be glad if you will bring them to the notice of your numerous readers at your earliest opportunity.

They will be incorporated in the full General Prospectus of the Exhibition, which is now in the press, and which can be had free on application to the Exhibition Office at 44 Fleet St., London." The extentions are as follows:—

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Section 1. United States Postmasters' Stamps.

Section 2. United States Carriers' Stamps.

Section 3. United States General Issues, 1847-1860.

Special attention in this Section to be given to plating and the study of re-cut and re-touched stamps.

Section 4. United States General Issues, 1861 to date.

Section 5. United States Special Service Stamps.

Officials (departmentals), periodicals (newspaper), postage due, parcels, registry, etc.

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Section 8. Hawaiian Islands.

Section 9. Colombia, Brazil, Mexico, Uruguay.

Section 10. Argentine, Bolivia, Chili, Paraguay, Peru, Venezuela.

Section 11. Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Haiti, Dominican Republic, Philippine Islands, Cuba, Porto Kico, Panama (with Canal Zone), Ecuador.

AWARDS. One Gold Medal in each of sections 1, 6, 7, 8; one Gold and one Silver Medal in each of sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10; one Silver-Gilt, one Silver and one Bronze Medal in section 11.

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HINGTON, Aug. 31.—The postoffice agent sent out a fascinating story about letters for President Hard- resident Obregon and Postmaster l Work, that were coming from via the North Pole, Amundsen's is to carry them from the Maud, rozen in the ice near Wrangel on which they were mailed prior departure from Nome.

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INSURANCE OF STAMP COLLECTIONS.

By Rev. J. B. DUDEK.

I have noted, in recent issues of the WEEKLY, brief discussions concerning the insuring of stamp collections, and believe that the observation I am about to make on the subject may be worthy of space in your columns.

I had taken the question up with various agents in this country, but found no Insurance Company willing to take the risk. Stamp collectors, more experienced than myself, and dealers to whom I addressed myself likewise knew of no American insurance concern that would take the risk, but these suggested Lloyd's of London, who, as one or two told me, will "insure anything, anywhere". Consequently, I addressed a letter simply: "Lloyd's, London, Eng.," stating my requirements, and, very promptly, received a very courteous reply from one of their brokers, Messrs. Price, Forbes & Co., of 3, Lothbury, London, E. C. They state that "any enquiries, etc., in connection with insurance to be placed at Lloyd's can only be dealt with by a recognized firm of Lloyd's brokers, such as ourselves."

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The policy can be made to include Tornado loss.

The brokers also write that "Underwriters would probably be prepared to issue the Policy in U. S. Currency, the premium, however, being payable in sterling converted at the rate of exchange ruling on the day the insurance is put forward, as per Special Currency Clause attached". I have taken out my policy in American Dollars. The premium is one percent (1%) of the sum insured, plus a stamp duty amounting to one percent of the premium; or, approximately, $10.10 per $1,000.00. The Policy quoted is known as Commercial Form E. The term of the policy is twelve months.

It seems that no fuller description of the Property insured is required than *"Collection of Postage Stamps, $....., whilst anywhere in the U. S. A., Basis of Value to be as per.....Catalogue."*

Anent the "Average Clause," I have this to say: when I first began negotiations for the insurance, I applied for a larger amount than I eventually took out. The Brokers wrote me: "We note the proposed reduction in the sum to be insured on the Collection, but would point out to you that in order to obtain full settlement of any losses it is necessary for you to insure the Collection for its full value, since otherwise the Average Clause, as detailed in the Form E may operate to your disadvantage." In my case the proposed reduction was due to disposal of part of the collection, but it might be well to bear in mind that collections should, apparently, be insured for full catalogue value. I based the value of my collection on Scott's Catalogue, and prepared a very carefully made inventory dated at the time the insurance was finally applied for. It is not necessary to submit an inventory of the collection to the Brokers. I simply made it for my own use and information.

In conclusion, the following paragraph from the first letter the Brokers wrote me is of interest: "Before we are able to do business with a new Client it is a rule that we complete certain records and in order to enable us to do this we shall be much obliged if you will supply us with the names of two references which we may take up." It might, therefore, be well for anyone making enquiries to supply two references forthwith, and thus save delay in obtaining the insurance. Owing to my ignorance of these details, nearly half a year elapsed between the time of my first enquiry of Lloyd's and the issuance of the policy, and I mention these matters in the hope that other collectors who may wish to insure their collection will be spared the delay.

I may add that my only purpose in submitting this information is that there are undoubtedly many collectors like myself who do not care to keep their collection in a safety-deposit vault and would still like to be protected against loss. You are, therefore, at liberty to use as much or as little of this letter as you please.

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Plates—Somewhat belated acknowledgment is made of the receipt of five plates from A. Leon Adutt, F. R. P. S. L., President of the Thanet Philatelic Society, Margate, England, which are photographs of some of the Confederate envelopes that Mr. Adutt obtained at the Ferrari sale in Paris. Incidentally, we are indebted to this gentleman for his generosity in sharing with the philatelic press particulars of his find of information regarding the 1875 issue of U. S. Newspaper stamps of 1875. Mr. Adutt obtained with the letter of Third Assistant Postmaster General E. W. Barber to Col. T. B. Thorpe of New York City, in which he says that "according to promise I send you the first proofs of the newspaper and periodicals stamps," the very proofs referred to. The plates of Confederate envelopes that Mr. Adutt has sent are interesting and many accepted varieties of the envelopes are shown on them. However, there are other envelopes pictured that are questionable as full-fledged provisionals and there are a few covers that are not Confederates. The lot is interesting as a whole; and among the envelopes we find a copy of our old friend, the "half dime" impression in blue of Eutaw, Ala., used in the "40's" according to our friend, Mr. Frank Bescher who found the covers and, happily, presented one to us. A striking mistake is made in assigning a Cleveland, O., cover, sent in 1847 to Pennsylvania, and impressed with the boxed "V" of that time, to Cleveland, "Oregon." Some of the covers frankly are only examples of early postal usage but all in all, the lot is a most unusual one. In a cover sent from Christiansburg, Va., to Lynchburg, Va., was the interesting letter: "Capt S. McCorkle, Dear Sir: I am requested by many of our Citizens to ask you to give us every information that you may receive from Manassas—in the event of a battle or of anything of importance occurring there. We are deeply interested for few of us have not brothers or relatives at that place. Please give especially details of everything occurring to Col. James Preston's Regiment. My wife has two brothers there, in the Liberty Hall Volunteers of which her brother James is Capt. Do not regard the length of any telegraphic message necessary to give us the particulars as we have a purse made up by our people for this purpose. Yr. Friend, D. Wade." The letter is dated July 21, 1861, the date of the first battle of Bull Run.

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Prompt—At the Springfield convention, it was announced that in each instance of the death of a member of the American Philatelic Society during the past year, the family or home of the decedent was communicated with and the offer of the society made to dispose of the stamps for the benefit of heirs, according to the restrictions adopted at the Milwaukee convention last year. Although the proffer was made, as has been said, in no case was it accepted but even so, it must have been received with satisfaction by those concerned. Speaking of *post-mortem* procedure, a stamp speculator called to extend his condolences to the widow of a collector and even though he had barely known the collector then resting in his coffin, only slightly, he mourned loudly. Just before leaving the home of sorrow, he whispered to the bereaved wife that he would be glad to buy the husband's stamps when she got home from the funeral. This reminds us of the stage joke of the widow who refused Jones upon her return from the funeral of the dear departed on the plea that Jenks had proposed at the grave.

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Prison—Mr J. C. Rice tells us of an interesting prisoner of war letter that is in his possession; and sends a photostat of it. The cover was mailed by a southern prisoner in "Camp Chase" which was near Columbus, Ohio, to White Sulphur Springs, Virginia. On the lower left side of the envelope is endorsed: "Via. Fortress Monroe & Flag of Truce to Richmond, Va., or by Savannah, if that is the route." We do not recall ever having seen before, the "Examined, Camp Chase, O." postmark on a letter and we were under the impression that we had seen all the markings of the kind, extant. The three cent, 1861 stamp is in the upper right corner and is postmarked, Columbus, O., and the ten cent Confederate, 1863, in the upper left corner has the postmark of Savannah.

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Placed—In sending an issue of the *Dearborn Independent* containing a full-page, illustrated article by Roland D. Johnson, "Financing a Nation With Its Postage Stamps—Shrewd Governments Tax Hobby—riders of Other Countries for Revenue," Mr. Clarence J. West says that even Henry Ford is advertising our specialty. What is an interesting concomitant of this article is the line, under the name of the writer of the article: Reproduction of the stamps on this page is for educational purposes." The notice is one that appeals to us and it certainly would have its effect in taking the curse off the involved question of stamp illustration. We wonder if this cautionary sentence was inspired or was the creation of the writer's or the editor's mind. Mr. Johnson's article follows its head-lines and the worthlessness of much of the Neurope stuff is cited, the contention being that the stamps represent so little actual value in this time of extreme deflation as to be almost negligible in a financial sense. This is all right or all wrong as you may care to argue but we may use the following sentence in the article as a text: "The rapid increase in the number of varieties of postage stamps throughout the world is likely to kill the goose that lays the golden egg of stamp revenues." It happens that we received some time ago, an attack on one of the large stamp firms for stringing out *ad infinitum, ad nauseam*, the piffling varieties of surcharge on the stamps of one of the new European countries in its house paper, as we remember the indignant measures of the critic. When this care is devoted to the issues that are true blue, the results are to be respected, but to exalt the modern emanations of a nation without principle is to compromise with crime, as it were. If philately could have been killed by the cudgelings of witless followers it would have been laid out long ago was the conclusion of our correspondent. Why will collectors lambast these poor stamps so mercilessly? Why don't they cut them off their list and let it go at that?

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"At an Aviation meet held at Brattleboro, Vt., August 18th, 1922, under the auspices of the Brattleboro Outing Club to celebrate the dedication of their aviation field, a special aero cancellation was used. Although unauthorized, the local postmaster issued instructions that mail would be carried on the date set for the dedication of the aviation field, and that letters so carried would bear a special cancellation.

It was arranged that the aviator would circle the field several times and finally drop the pouch in the vicinity of the post office where a special messenger would receive same and transfer it to the post office. A temporary substation was established on the field and at the appointed time, mail was received for the flight.

The meet had been a great success until late in the afternoon when a large Curtiss Oriole, carrying three passengers crashed to the ground after striking a tree and the high tension electric wires running along the bank of the Connecticut River Railroad. Although the pilot escaped with only minor injuries, two of the passengers were burned to death and the other died the following day as a result of the accident.

The accident caused such commotion that the airmail flight was forgotten and it was decided to forward mail already collected and cancelled, amounting to approximately 300 cards and letters through regular channels.

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By A. H. PIKE.

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h western city using a philatelic can-
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h Washington State Philatelic Associa-
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c age stamp and the above wording
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w applied privately with official sanc-
io but it did not in any way touch the
c age stamp. The stamps were can-
c d by a regulation oval design used
or third class matter containing the
wo ds "Tacoma" above and "Wash."
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would require a far stretch of the
r gination to call this a "philatelic can
e tion". It was a good piece of ad-
e sing and we do not wish to criticize
h e who originated the idea or carried
t rough. But Springfield, (Mass.) is
u entitled to the distinction of using
h first real philatelic cancellation and
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GROWTH OF NEWFOUNDLAND'S G. P. O.

By HARRY E. HUBER.

The enlargement of the present General Post Office at St. John's, suggests to one of the older inhabitants (writing in the *Newfoundland Quarterly*, July, 1922), the timeliness of some observations on the evolution of that institution.

"Three-quarters of a century ago a predecessor of the present Postmaster General, transacted, without subordinate help, all his official duties in a small house which stood on the north side of Water Street. It was swept away in the fire of '46, and the then Postmaster General made his temporary home and office in the house on Garrison Hill. When rebuilt that house was chosen as the General Post Office of that day, and it was the oldest city Post Office then in existence. It stood on Duckworth street, and was destroyed in the second great fire, in 1892.

"In the early days of the Victorian era, letters came and went very irregularly. The English Postmaster General made up a mail for this Colony whenever a vessel happened to leave Liverpool or London for this port, or sent one by any man-of-war coming here. In like manner letters were dispatched to England, each vessel receiving the sum of two pence for each letter conveyed. As there was a large force of the navy and military here, the number of letters handled would not be so small as some would probably imagine, but no statistics can be gotten. Then the foreign postage was one shilling sterling. It was not until forty-eight years ago that the price came down to 13 cents, later to 6, and last of all, in our time, to 3 cents. All this has greatly increased correspondence until now not less than 2 million letters and 3½ million papers and circulars are annually handled at the new Post Office. One person performed all the office work three-quarters of a century ago; now the staff at the main office numbers forty or fifty; including the Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, the Deputy Minister, and a score or more of other officials. not to mention those connected with branch offices in various parts of the city. In the olden time, Carbonear, Harbour Grace, and Bay Bulls were about the only outports having a Post Office, a few other places having Way Offices. Now there are hundreds of outport offices scattered all over the country.

"At the old Post Office on Duckworth Street, all letters were delivered from the window. Mercantile houses owned boxes, but there was no public access to them. No matter what the weather, everyone had to wait, and patiently, valiantly elbow their way through the surging crowd to get a chance of asking for their letters. Then probably came their keenest trial. Just as the letter would be appearing through the open window, they would suddenly feel themselves swept helplessly past, amid shouts of laughter, half way down to Gregory's Lane. All that, however, is now changed and for the better. In spite of political impediments, civilisation is advancing, and we, of course, are advancing with it. Only by contrasting the past with the present can we adequately estimate the progress we are making."

A GOOD THING TO HAVE A HOBBY.

Have you an object in life? If so, is it transitory or will it carry you through the years by providing a sustained interest in its achievement?

Hobbies frequently are derided. Sometimes, they should be. Sometimes, they are the saving grace of life for the individual, keeping him from getting into a rut and supplying an incentive that quickens ambition and prevents discouragement.

The ideal hobby is constructive. Is yours? It also provides diversion—a change from the commonplaces of everyday existence. It must be susceptible of accomplishment but never must be completed; for then the individual must find a new hobby—not infrequently, a difficult matter when one has passed the meridian of life and has grown "set in one's ways."

If you are the average American, whether man or woman, your great hobby is your family. You may not call it that; you may. This is an endeavor that always provides sustained interest.

Families, however, grow up. Babies become school children, school children develop into high school youths. A step further and the young lady and young gentleman are in college—and a year or two later, in homes of their own.

Your family should, of course, be your first hobby. But, is it wise to make it your *sole* hobby? Isn't it well to look forward a little and cultivate something that will supply sustained interest in later years—interest in addition to that supplied by loved grandchildren?

Nearly all of us in America also make business a hobby. This provides sustained interest. Many an aggressive leader in industry has an ambition to "die in harness"—to stick by the enterprise his work and brains have developed to the very last.

That's a commendable aspiration—but even in this instance and no matter how much the individual may be interested in his affairs, it's a good thing to have another hobby.

Sometimes, the captain of industry finds, when he turns his attention elsewhere, that he has lost a great deal of the joy of life—joy that could have been his without detracting in the least degree from his success in business.

All of us should have an object in life, whether we call it a hobby or dignify it by some other title.

We profit mentally when we are lifted out of the ordinary routine of existence; we profit physically if our hobby inclines toward the outdoor life.

Success in this age calls for concentration. The hobby must be only a hobby; it is something else if it interferes with that attention to essentials that is necessary to their satisfactory accomplishment.

But one can find a hobby that will not prove an obsession, and the man or the woman who has made this discovery need never fear tedium in active years or view the approach of age as a period in life when interest will be lacking and ambition dead.—Seattle *Daily Times*.

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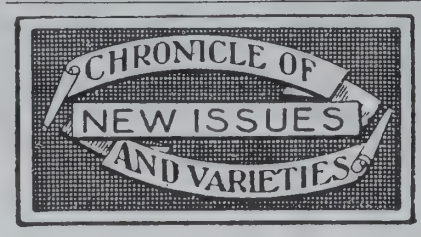

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UNITED STATES.—From a priced copy of the catalogue of the third sale of the Ferrari Collection held in Paris on June 14, 15 and 16, 1922, kindly loaned me by Mr. Eugene Klein, I am able to post our readers as to the prices brought by items of interest to the United States specialist. In figuring out these values which I am giving in French francs it must be remembered that purchasers had to pay an extra 17½% as a tax to the French Government and at the time the franc was worth between eight and nine cents American gold.

In the way of general issues of United States stamps these sessions had little of interest. There was a fine lot of semi-official carriers and a wonderful lot of Confederate States including the postmaster local issues from Greensboro on. It will be recalled that the previous session stopped with the issues of Gonzales.

As for early regular issues most of the lots were large and were bunched, consequently it is impossible to give any idea of the prices brought by the individual items. Several of the 1847 issue were sold and judging from the illustrations they were in wonderful condition. There was a large lot of the 1869 issue and quite a few of the later varieties. A copy of the 5c 1851 mint described as beautiful, sold at 2,000 francs which is not high if the description is correct. Outside of this stamp I note no individual regular item worthy of notice.

In the way of carriers a mint defective Franklin brought 320 francs while a used copy sold at 660 frs. An unused block of six changed hands at 4,000 frs. There was a fine mint block of eight of the black Baltimore horseman, that is a sheet less two and this contained the "Sent" error, as well as the "short rays" although attention was not directed to the latter. This sold at 2,600 frs. A mint 2c black Boston sold at 900 frs., which is rather cheap if the stamp was good. Mentioning "if it was good" brings to mind the fact that an American expert who attended this session stated that many of the things sold were not genuine and as every lot is sold without recourse some of the low prices may be accounted for in this way. A 2c black on rose Honour's Post cut to shape used on cover with a 10c 1847 brought 1,250 frs., a wonderful cover with a Beckman Post, Scott's number 1836, used with a 3c 1857 and both neatly cancelled "Charleston, S. C.—June 18, 1860" sold at 9,000 frs. A New York 3c black on gray described as surcharged in violet at top in manuscript "United States" and unlisted by Scott changed hands at 3,800 francs.

In the way of Confederate Locals a 10c Greenwood on cover sold at 1,600 frs., while another not so fine brought 1,350 frs. A 5c Grove Hill on cover of which but two are known sold at 7,100 francs while an Independence 10c buff of which but one other has ever been found sold at 3,000 frs. The only pair of the Jetersville known, also on cover passed to a new owner at 6,200 frs., while an equally rare, unique copy of the 10c green Knoxville on letter found a new home at 6,200 frs. A Lenoir on cover was cheap at 400 frs., as it lists at $200. The finest U. S. item in the sale was the next piece, a pair of the 5c Livingston on cover with a very beautiful town cancellation dated "Nov. 12" and this came to our shores at the very reasonable figure of 22,000 frs. I will bet the purchaser will pay for his trip abroad out of this purchase alone.

A tête beche pair on cover of the Macon 5c black on yellow was taken home at 2,700 frs., while a single on cover only reached 700 francs. A similar pair on green was knocked down at 1,100 frs., while in the case of the 2c black on green the auctioneer said "here you are" at 4,600 frs. Several items bunched of which the Marion 10c on cover was the stellar item sold at 2,500 frs. A tête beche 5c Memphis on cover came back to its home country at 550 frs., while a very rare. Mt. Lebanon left Paris at 13,500 frs. A sheet of Nashville 3c showing the five types was given away at 600 frs. while a couple of used 10c green sold at 720 and 780 frs. I never saw the 5c red New Orleans but a fine unused copy is on the way over at 9,000 frs. A used one on blue went at 9,500 frs. The only New Smyrna 10c on 5c known and overprinted "01" as illustrated in Scott moved at 10,000 frs. A 5c blue Pleasant Shade sold at 1,300 frs., a Rheatown 5c red with others not listed by Scott and perhaps doubtful at 380 frs., while a St. Louis 2c black, no doubt made especially for the famous Farrari collection, sold at 750 frs., and was possibly bought by someone who does not care how he spends his or her money. An uncancelled Salem, Va., on cover of which but two are known sold at 3,100 frs., while a cover with the Spartanburg black on white came home at 1,600 frs. A couple of strips of the Tellico Plains containing two 5c and one 10c unused and listed by Mr. Scott at $750 for such a trio only brought 810 and 900 franc each which is between $80-$90 in good American money. Something tells me this is nearer their value unused for it seems that I have seen quite a few of these strips advertised from time to time. A 5c on the letter which is desirable sold at 300 frs.

A Uniontown 2c green on blue, uncancelled but on the cover sold at 9,500 frs., a 5c on blue on cover at 900 frs., a mint 5c on white at 380 frs. while two on two covers at 1,250 and 1,700 frs. each. A 10c red on blue on cover changed hands at 11,800 frs. while a mint 5c and 10c Victoria found a purchaser at 6,000 frs. There were some few of the general Confederate issues but nothing of especial importance.

While speaking of Confederates, the Scott Stamp & Coin Company recently

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showed me two very fine mint blo of the "TEN" cent blue that they l found. One is a perfection block nine, three by three, with upper sh margins while the other is a block six, two by three. I understand t these have both been acquired by one our well-known New York specialists the issues of our Southern Confeder

I seldom buy a booklet at the po office but from one of the 25c size, t is twelve 2c stamps, I note that the b cover is different. This describes the vantages of the "Treasury Savings C tificates" and the "Postal Savings." have seen no mention of this heretof

AUSTRALIA.—The *Australian Philat Record* in its July issue note that it b been decided to dispense with Post Dues for 10sh and 1 pound in the futu the highest denomination to be the 5 The stocks on hand are, however, fai large and will take some little time work off. Several sheets of the orange O. S., have recently been c covered with inverted watermarks. T is the first invert seen for sometir great care being now taken to prev the issue of such varieties.

AUSTRIA.—The Economist Stamp C have shown us a set of nine values stamps with the borders of similar desi to the current issue but the figures value are in the centre of an eight-sid frame. The first six values are of gr green color and are square in sha while the last three are oblong and red-lilac color. The values are 10, 15, 25, 40, 50, 100, 150 and 200kr. At top is the name of the country and word "Kronen" at the base. The stam bear the name of W. Dachauer.

BELGIUM.—Mr. Henry Hooreman ser us copies of two additional new valu of the new Parcel Post series: 4fr gre and 5fr claret.

BRAZIL.—Mr. A. A. Wasserscheid h shown us a copy of a 400r in the type the 300r in the 1920 series in a lig blue shade.

CANADA.—Mr. R. Roberts reports t 2c green, perf. 8 by imperforate, in r of 500 issued left side first and j every twentieth stamp.

Mr. C. W. Chase in sending us copy of the new 4c bistre advis that this value was issued for use letters going to England, this being t rate for letters mailed in Canada.

CAPE VERDE.—The Economist Stam Co. submit for chronicle four provisio als that have recently been further ov printed "$04" in black at the top. T

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INA.—For the benefit of millions of se sufferers a postage stamp of the ination of 1 cent has been issued the inscription "Famine Relief ." Other adhesives have appeared the same inscription, including a r telegrams, and 5c and 50c and 1, and 50 dollars for use as receipt s in collecting the tax of 5 per on railway fares, but the 1c men- above is the only one possessing validity; presumably it is the cur- unk type, suitably modified.—*Stamp ting.*

OMBIAN REPUBLIC.—Mr. Boyd D. sends a copy of 2c red provisional cut in half diagonally and half s a 1c stamp. On the piece of the submitted is a ½c, 2c and the half entioned above. Also Mr. Lewis a copy of the 4c of the 1917 issue he surcharge "Provisional $003" in es in red.

ZIG.—The Economist Stamp Co. us of the appearance of three of the 1921 type. All, but printed er with an overprint in a small r design in grey. The colors are dark grey, 3mk red and 8mk arine. The first two values have en overprinted "D M" in black the centre of the stamps.

ERATED MALAY STATES.—Mr. R. s advises of the 1c brown on script arked paper.

ANY.—Paul Seele and Ralph send us sets of five values of a sign of Aero stamps. Those sub- are of the usual size of the regu- e and are of the following values: own, 40pf orange, 50pf purple, ed and 80pf green. In each orner is the figures of value and ase in a curve "Deutsche Flug- n the centre is a design of a bird. le also adds that there are also nk, 3mk and 5mk value and the are dark green, violet, blue and ellow respectively. The last four are a little larger than the first entioned.

ND.—Mr. W. T. Wilson advises he 5aur stamp of the 1920 type overprint "10 aur." in black at of the stamp. Also that there n issued a 5aur bistre and 20aur the same series.

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The Economist Stamp Co. call attention to the 2k rose stamp of the 1911-12 set which has been surcharged "Pjonusta" in black for Official use. The 5k brown of the same series has been overprinted in the same manner.

JAPAN.—Mr. Boyd D. Lewis reports the appearance of a 6s in a brown shade. The type is the same as that of the 1913 issue.

KELANTAN.—Mr. R. Roberts submits for chronicle the 2c brown and 6c claret on script watermarked paper.

MALTA.—Mr Louis Carabott sends the following newspaper cutting, regarding the new issue of stamps from the pen of E. Caruana Dingli one of the designers:—

"In a recent issue of your contemporary, some rather adverse remarks were made about the new postage stamps. Being the author of the one bearing the allegorical figure of Malta symbolizing Self-Government, I may be permitted to state that when the samples were submitted to me I did not hesitate to express my dissatisfaction with the execution which in many respects did not tally artistically with the original. As a matter of fact, and with a view to correcting the existing defects I was asked to note my remarks and suggestions which were duly forwarded to the stamp-makers. I regret to say, however, that the result still falls short of my expectations and I cannot but endorse the remarks that the execution leaves much to be desired. My original was copied by hand and alterations were introduced resulting in a totally different effect from that originally intended. For instance, the flowing portion of the mantle behind the figure has been suppressed, the luminous sky meant to symbolize the dawn of a new era and at the same time to put the figure in semi-silhouette is short of the required intensity, the St. Elmo lighthouse looks like a beehive or the Musta dome by the seashore. If the original had been reproduced by photography and then engraved, the effect would have been more artistic and the personal technique would have been preserved."

PERU.—Mr. A. A. Wasserscheid submits for our inspection a cover with a copy of the 8c of the 1917-18 issue and also a half of the same value stamp bisected diagonally used as a 4c.

SALVADOR.—The Economist Stamp Co. advise us of the appearance of a 25c stamp in an olive shade with the portrait of Francisco Morazan in the centre. At the top are the words "Correos El Salvador" and beneath in a curved frame "Centro America". At the base "Veinticinco Centavos" with the figures of value at each side.

SOMALI COAST.—The Economist Stamp Co. advise of the following change of colors in the stamps of the current set: 10c light green and green and 30c rose and brown violet.

UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.—Mr. R. Hamilton Jackson kindly sends us the appended extract from a Pretoria paper dated July 8th:—Pretoria, Friday.—A competition is gazetted to-day in connexion with a new series of postage stamps for the Union. The series may comprise twelve separate designs, one for each of the following denominations, viz.: ½d, 1d, 2d, 3d, 4d, 6d, 1s, 1s 3d, 2s 6d, 5s, 10s, and £1. A premium of £10 is offered for the design selected as being the best in the case of each of these postal values.—*Stamp Collecting.*

URUGUAY.—From our Special Correspondent, Mr. A. H. Davis, we hear that two new Postage Due stamps have just been issued in Uruguay, the design being the same as that of the 1913-14 issue but the format reduced, viz.:—2c rose-carmine, 4c dull violet. On September 23rd a commemorative series of stamps will be issued to celebrate the inauguration of the monument to Artigas. This set will consist of three values, viz. 2 centesimos carmine with the centre in sepia, 5 centesimos violet and sepia, and 12 centesimos blue and sepia. The quantities to be printed will be 100,000 of each value, will only circulate for a few days, and will have for design an equestrian statute of General Artigas and the inscription "Republica Oriental del Uruguay."—"Artigas." The stamps are being printed by Waterlow & Sons, of London.—*Stamp Collecting.*

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All letters and packages authorized by the Board were supposed to be superscribed according to this model.

The importance of postage as an item of expense is not so surprising when one considers the large amount of written matter which found its way to the Board by post, and this is only part of the immense mass of manuscript material preserved in the office."

MARY PATTERSON CLARKE.

"The Board of Trade at Work" in *The American Historical Review*, XVII (1911), pp. 30, 31.

NO MILLION RUBLES STAMPS.

(This clipping is from the Washington "Herald". It is a "Despatch from Riga" and we print it for what it may be worth. —W. O. W.)

RIGA, Aug. 15th.—Stamp collectors throughout the world who have been hailing with delight each fresh issue of Bolshevik postage stamps, and who have been eagerly awaiting the 1,000,000-ruble revenue stamp which was reported as being designed in Moscow, are in for a heavy disappointment, for this stamp will not be issued, and for the time being no more stamps of Soviet Russia are to be printed. A recent decree by the Soviet of people's commissars guarantees delivery of letters carrying the postage stamps of the Czar's regime, and these unused stamps are today bringing fabulous prices (in Soviet rubles) throughout Russia.

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The face value of the old Czar stamps does not matter. An office here recently received two letters, one from Cheliabinsk, in Siberia, and the other from Moscow. The letter from Cheliabinsk was delivered by the postman attached to the Soviet embassy in Riga and carried on its flap a 10-kopek stamp of the old regime. The letter from Moscow was delivered by the Latvian postoffice and was mailed with the 50-kopek stamp.

STAMPS OF ALL KINDS.

Letters now arriving from Russia bear no resemblance to those which arrived previous to this decree. They carried stamps of all denominations from 100 rubles to 22,500 rubles, and a small issue of 25,000 ruble stamps was made before this decree went into effect. Generally the letters were merely attached to a large sheet of stamps, and when mucilage was not obtainable the stamps were sewn on with needle and thread.

An American who arrived yesterday from Moscow stated that the Bolsheviks have decided to use the old stamps for two reasons. First, they are much smaller and therefore consume much less paper in their manufacture; and second, the stamp printing establishment is now needed to print Soviet rubles, which will be used by the government in meeting its payroll, which increases more than 10 per cent weekly automatically with the fall of the value of the ruble.

This American, who does not want his name mentioned, as he intends to return to Russia, states that several of the most valuable of the Russian stamp collections have been recently traded to French merchants, who happened to be amateur collectors, and that portions of these collections are to be offered for sale in Paris and London.

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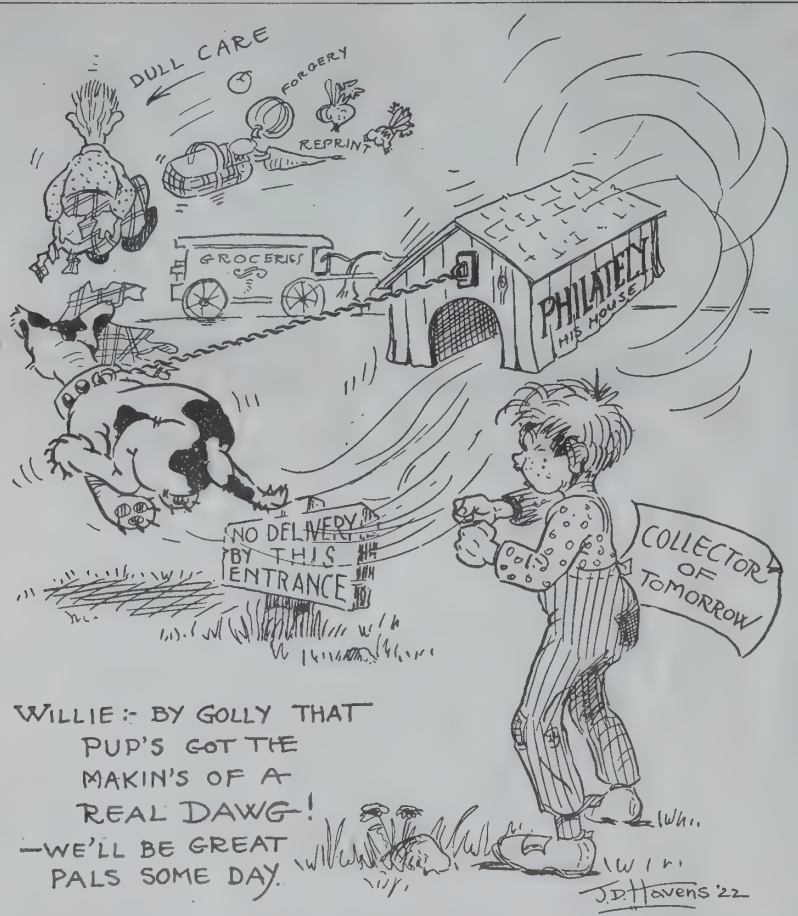

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MATTERS IN GENERAL.

By "PHIL".

There is no end to the criticism of the American press. Mr. Upton Sinclair has vociferously attacked it in his book "Brass Check" which has done much to make publishers seek to develop a code of ethics that would regulate the profession. By this internal effort it is self-evident that even to those vitally interested somewhere all is not as it should be. The modern press is less than a century old, for before 1830, it was one of the activities of the job printer, and if the new school of journalism is demonstrated by the writings of Mr. Arthur Brisbane, then we must keep a watchful eye on the social developments of this country, to which newspapers contribute much.

The subject matter of the common paper is indicative that it is catering to, not guiding, public's sentiment. Studious, unbiased and laborious researches of public and business questions are obscure while police news and scandals, which are cheap and easy to get, occupy conspicuous places to attract the pennies.

It is hardly conceivable that those callous individuals who receive stimulus in reading of some unfortunate, would want to read about mere "scraps of paper." It is hard to believe that a journalist of the ability which Mr. Brisbane's reputed salary indicates he is, should oppose public sentiment by dealing with such an obscure subject as the collecting of postage stamps. In fact it is difficult to understand his reason, unless—. It is a known fact that common papers which have many stock advertisements, have given editorial space to advertisers. Can it be that the shifting of capital from certificates to rare stamps has been noticed by brokers, and they are meeting competition in this way? Obstinacy is a human trait. Can it be that Mr. Brisbane is in the pay of some stamp dealer who seeks to put the hobby before the public in a left handed manner? Yellow journalism includes "riding" a contemporary. Can it be that this gentleman is "taking a shot" at one of the better papers which is given to printing social news items, even from abroad, of interest to the thinking public?

It can hardly be any of these, for if Mr. Brisbane's salary indicates the man he is, he would be above them. Therefore we will charge his erring ways up to his not having read the Oregon Code which says, "There is no place in journalism for the dissembler, the distorter, the prevaricator, the suppressor, or the dishonest thinker."

Philately is such a cosmopolitan hobby that its advancement is impeded, because no concerted effort has developed uniformity in all lands. Uniformity, or as Mr. Hoover has dubbed it, "Simplification of dimensions" is the order of the day. While no philatelist will consent to have his hobby cut and dried and filled with routine, yet there are conditions which can be advantageously standardized.

When the subject of color is mentioned in this connection many will argue: conception of color differs with individuals, colors change, no standard for comparison can be kept etc., etc. After listening to their arguments we return to where we started from, and debate if we should lay aside the color question. There is perhaps no feature in collecting stamps that is as discouraging to the novice as color. It is probably the greatest contributor to the stopping of collecting that there is. After numerous specimens are found not to show the novice's conception of the color named in the catalogue, he quickly concludes that it is all wrong and faces the compilation of a new catalogue if he continues.

Those who are interested in the industrial phase of color standards—Textile Color Card Association of the U. S.—have found it expedient to number, not name, colors This removes the inconsistency of nature and provides a basis of comparison. These numbers describe the colors and it is possible to discern from them what the color is without seeing it. This is a fundamental basis for producing a standard color.

In the "Stanley Gibbons' Color Guide," this feature has not been incorporated. It is regrettable. However, it is not impossible to get some benefit from their method. Many of us may dispute the attachment of the names, "red, lavender and magenta" to the specimens shown. But, no one will say a word against No. 15, No. 81 and No. 84 being assigned to them, for they convey no color meaning to our minds. There is no reason why these samples can not be known by the numbers designated, and take their place as standards in international philately.

The "Color Guide" is a very constructive move. To have had it originate in America would have been very desirable, for it would have gratified national pride. However, it is here and it would be a decided benefit to philately the world over, to have America endorse it. The meeting of the American Philatelic Society is close at hand. No more constructive motion can be presented than,

"That, the one hundred specimens submitted in the Stanley Gibbons Color Guide, published by Stanley Gibbons Limited, 391 Strand, London W. C. 2, be recognized by this Society, and that through the numbers they be recognized as standards by the members."

While this motion may be of general purport, it is a move in a direction that will stabilize philately. Transportation has its Hague Rules; Banking its standard form of Commercial Letters of Credit and if this hobby is to take its position universally, it must develop international uniformity. It may be ar[gued] that the A. P. S. is not the voic[e of] American Philatelists. If it is [not] then at least its voice is loud enoug[h to] be heard in every State of the Un[ion] and what it does will be quickly [con]formed to by those outside.

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I.—Federation Series, Queen Victoria, 1890.

Although St. Christopher and Nevis were united and made one Presidency in 1882, each continued to issue and use separate postage stamps. But this was all changed by the Leeward Islands General Stamp Act, of 1890, which ordered that there should be one uniform series of postage stamps for use in the Leeward Islands Colony, and on October 31st, 1890, the new series of stamps was placed on sale at all the Post Offices in the Federation. The separate Presidency issues were withdrawn from sale, and subsequently disposed of by the Crown Agents for the Colonies in London.

No specialised collection of St. Kitts-Nevis stamps can be considered complete unless stamps of this and all subsequent Federation series are included. They should, of course, preferably be used, and bear a cancellation of an office in that Presidency.

The Federation series comprised eight values, from ½d to 5s inclusive, all in the same design, and printed by the typographic process from De La Rue's stock "Postage & Revenue" keyplate number 1. The design consists of a crowned head of Queen Victoria to the left, on a horizontally lined ground, enclosed in an octagonal frame within a square. At the sides are vertical tablets lettered "Postage" "& Revenue", respectively, in uncolored sans serif letters, while conventional scroll ornamentation fills the lower corners. In a blank label at the top, and a hexagonal shaped opening at the bottom, "Leeward Islands", and the value are inserted, from duty plates, at a second operation.

The stamps were printed in sheets of 120 stamps, two panes of 60, side by side, (ten horizontal rows of six stamps), separated by a narrow gutter. The plate number, a large uncolored figure 1 on a solid circle of color, enclosed by a thin colored circle, appears four times on the sheet, above the 2nd and 5th stamps of the left and right panes, respectively, and under the corresponding stamps of the lower row. A continuous Jubilee line surrounds each pane, and with the plate number, is part of the keyplate, and printed in the color of the keyplate impression. All values are known printed from plates 1 and 2 (1896), and in addition, the ½d, 1d and 2½d were printed from plate 3 (1899).

On the pence denominations the value is expressed in colorless figures and letters on a horizontally lined ground, and on the higher values, as "One Shilling" and "Five Shillings," respectively, in two lines of colorless letters, within a hexagonal frame.

The paper is white, watermarked Crown CA, arranged in groups of 60 subjects (one appearing on each stamp), enclosed by a single line watermarked frame. The margins of the sheet are watermarked "Crown Agents for" (reading up at the left), and "The Colonies" (reading down at the right). The perforation is 14, comb. On the early printings from plate 1 the gum is brown, while on those subsequent to 1896, it is white.

In both the 1d and 5s values, errors occurred due to faulty centering of the duty plate impression—the "S" of "Leeward Islands" appears on the adjoining stamp, and the value tablet is approximately 5 mm. out of the hexagon provided for it. While it is probable that a whole sheet or at least a pane of each value was sent out in this condition, less than a dozen copies are known, the 5s being much the rarer of the two.

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II.—Federation Series, Diamond Jubliee, 1897.

On the occasion of the Empire-wide celebrations in connection with the 60th year of Queen Victoria's reign, special stamps were issued by the Leeward Islands, the issue being notified in the *Leeward Islands Gazette* for 8th July, 1897—

"It is hereby notified for general information that it is proposed to issue a certain number of Leeward Islands postage stamps in commemoration of Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee. The stamps will be overprinted with a circle bearing the word SEXAGENARY and the figures 1897, and in the center of the circle the letters V R I. The stamps will be on sale at the several Post Offices throughout the Leeward Islands from Thursday, the 22nd inst. and the sales will continue for one week from that date.

Signed, LESLIE JARVIS,
Clerk, Executive Council."

All eight values of the Federation series were overprinted by handstamp, in black, with a buckled garter inscribed SEXAGENARY 1897, enclosing VRI in monogram, by E. D. A. Tibbits, then chief clerk in the Colonial Secretary's office at St. John's, Antigua.

The quantities of stamps overprinted, and those apportioned to St. Kitts-Nevis, were as follows:—

	Total overprinted.	*Sent to St.Kitts-Nevis.*
½d	15,600	6,000
1d	15,600	6,000
2½d	15,600	6,000
4d	6,000	2,400
6d	3,480	1,560
7d	3,480	1,560
1s	1,800	780
5s	900	500

The stamps remaining unsold after July 29th, 1897, were returned to St. John's, and the *Leeward Islands Gazette* for 1st October, 1897, contained returns of the stamps sold:—

	Total Sold.	*Sold in St.Kitts-Nevis.*
½d	12,963	5,361
1d	12,811	5,191
2½d	9,833	4,707
4d	4,747	1,913
6d	2,690	1,049
7d	2,687	1,023
1s	1,743	724
5s	784	384

In the same issue of the *Gazette* the following remainders were offered for sale:—

½d	2,637
1d	2,789
2½d	5,407
4d	1,493
6d	1,030
7d	793
1s	600
5s	600

From these figures it would appear that further quantities of all values except the ½d, 1d and 7d had been printed, viz., 2½d, 4d and 6d, 240 each; 1s 543 and 5s 484.

Stamps from both plates 1 and 2 were overprinted. The ½d, 4d, 6d, 7d and 5s are known from plate 1 with brown gum, and ½d, 1d, 2½d and 1s from plate 2 with white gum. All values exist with the overprint double, and in addition, the ½d is listed by Stanley Gibbons with overprint inverted.

July 22nd, 1897. Diamond Jubilee series, —stamps of Leeward Islands, handstamped in black, at St. John's Antigua, with buckled garter, inscribed Sexagenary, 1897, enclosing VRI in monogram. Plates 1 and 2.

½d lilac and green.
a. double overprint.
b. inverted overprint.
1d lilac and carmine.
a. double overprint.
2½ lilac and ultramarine.
a. double overprint.
4d lilac and orange.
a. double overprint.
6d lilac and brown.
a. double overprint.
7d lilac and slate.
a. double overprint.
1s green and carmine.
a. double overprint.
5s green and ultramarine.
a. double overprint.

(To be continued.)

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148	6c carmine	.25	.10
*156	1c ultramarine	1.00	.30
156	1c ultramarine	.06	.02
156b	1c ultramarine	.10	.03
158	3c green	1.00	.30
178	2c vermilion	.06	.02
182	1c ultramarine	.10	.03
216	5c indigo	.15	.06
220a	2c carmine	.10	.03
220b	2c carmine	.20	.06
227	15c indigo	.20	.08
259	15c dark blue	.25	.10
276	$1.00 Type I, black	.75	.30
310	50c orange	.20	.05
*317	3c violet	.20	.10
*324c	2c (Strip of 2) carm.	.40	.18
333	50c violet	.25	.10
405	50c violet	.15	.05
406	$1.00 brown	.35	.12
*407	$2.00 blue	4.00	2.75
426	50c violet	.10	.03
*422	13c apple green	.22	.16
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444	used, carmine and black	.60	.25
*1458	25c Parcel Post	.50	.30
*1459	50c Parcel Post	1.00	.60
*1460	75c Parcel Post	1.50	.90
*1896	10c green Spec. Delivery	.50	.22
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*2242	10c Post. Due	.50	.15
*2249	10c Post. Due	.25	.12
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NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited, as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—W. T. Wilson informs us that he is attending the Geneva Exhibition. A report of the proceedings will doubtless appear in an early number of the WEEKLY.

—Rev. E. A. Butler, St. George's, Newfoundland, would like the present address of Henry C. Seelander, formerly Oklahoma City. It is reported that he has gone to Chicago, but no change of address has been entered at this office.

—J. W. Stowell of Federalsburg, Md., was an attendant at the Springfield convention, then continued on an automobile trip to Montreal. The entire trip of 1600 miles was driven without any trouble of any kind from the time the party of four left Federalsburg until the return. The Adirondacks, Berkshires and Catskills were traversed and the trip back was made by way of the Delaware Water Gap.

—The *Springfield Republican* of Sept. 10 contained a feature story on the Los Angeles fake missionaries. It is illustrated with pictures of the stamps on and off cover, also with a picture of John A. Klemann of the Nassau Stamp Co. The author of the article is not named. Clipping from J. P. Pendergast.

—A. W. Whitten submits for inspection several postal cancellations, but among them we note only one that may not have been chronicled by us. It is from Columbus, O. and reads:—"Ohio State Fair August 28-Sept. 2, 1922".

—We have been shown by Frank A. Goldsmith the following cancellation from Toledo:—"Industrial Exposition Toledo, Sept. 21-30, 1922".

—Clifford D. Harvey, M. D., 18 Orchard Rd., Brookline, Mass., would like the address of the G. E. Stechert Co., of New York City, which is handling a book on colors. Reference to this was made in a recent number of the WEEKLY.

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—We are informed that Adolph Menjou, well known for his characterization of Louis XIII in "The Three Musketeers", has purchased Mr. Wynham Standing's specialized collection of the Reunion Islands. Mr. Standing had determined to sell this collection while in Europe, where he had gone to make some pictures in Holland, but the sale was intercepted.

—The Marks Stamp Co. has just issued under date of Sept. 1, a wholesale and retail pricelist of 24 pages. Collector and dealer alike will find much of interest in its pages.

—J. M. Bartels of N. Y. City has been in Europe for several weeks hunting for U. S. and other good early issues of foreign countries. He writes that he had a fine and successful trip. He returned on the Majestic September 13.

—Under "News Gleanings" in WEEKLY of Aug. 26th, is an item by Mr. Raleigh T. Green stating, "I note the statement by Mr. Kenyon that he never saw one of the $1.00 vermilion Alabama State Tax on Seals stamps cancelled prior to 1880." Adding, "I have one cancelled May 6th, 1868, S. J. B. The stamp is perforated, etc." Mr. Green undoubtedly refers to a paragraph in my book, Documentary State Revenue Stamps of the United States, which clearly mentions the date of the *rouletted* $1.00 stamp, not the perforated.—BREWSTER C. KENYON.

—Forrest Shreve, Carmel, Calif., would like the present addresses of Geo. W. Johnson, Hotel Osborne, Atlantic City, N. J. and A. Weber, 540 S. Presa St., San Antonio, Tex. Stamps sent remain undelivered.

—"300th Anniversary of the 1st Settlements in New Hampshire 1623—1923." This cancellation is being used by the Portsmouth, N. H., office and a specimen has been shown us by Frank A. Goldsmith.

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CHAPTER XXIV.

The Helmet Stamps.

Among the numerous issues that owe their origin to the Great War or its aftermath none are more popular with collectors in every part of the globe than the series known variously as the "tin hat", "roi casquè" or "helmet" stamps issued by Belgium to celebrate the victorious termination of the conflict. Of larger format than usual, printed from engraved plates in strong attractive colors, of a design strikingly impressive in its severity of treatment, in which the chief characteristic is a manly portrait of King Albert in service uniform and trench helmet, the universal appeal of the series is little to be wondered at.

The design is the same for all denominations and, as already observed, shows a portrait of King Albert in service uniform, with overcoat, wearing one of the steel helmets that were so much in evidence at the front. Curved above the portrait is "BELGIQUE" while below, in a straight line, is "BELGIE". At the left and right of the portrait are the dates "1914" and "1918" respectively and in the lower angles are blocks of solid color on which appear the numerals of value, at left, and "C" for centimes or "F" for francs, at right. The background consists of oblique lines cross-hatched with horizontal ones where a heavy shading effect is intended. The whole is surrounded by a double-lined frame, both lines being very close together and inner one being very thin.

The set comprises fourteen different values of which the two lowest denominations—1 and 2 centimes—are much smaller than the others, and the two highest—5 and 10 francs—much larger, the latter forming two of the most handsome labels issued by any government at any time.

According to earliest reports the stamps were designed by a young artist named Jean Bast, who during the war followed the risky occupation of engraving forged seals and the like for passports and similar documents, thus assisting many of his countrymen to escape from Hun tyranny. He also illustrated certain clandestine publications, such as the *Ame Belge*, which the Germans were never able to suppress, and it is said that on more than one occasion he indulged in the dangerous pleasantry of introducing his signature in the arabesques of some of his drawings—an act of daring that would have cost him his life had the signature been noticed by the German espionage staff. He would thus appear a very fitting patriot to have been entrusted with the production of the design for the Victory series and much as we would like the story to be true the prosaic facts are, alas, very different. The real facts are that the design was taken from a photograph made by the well-known English photographer, Mr. Richard N. Speaight, who gave the following brief account of its origin to Mr. Fred J. Melville:—"I had a specimen stamp photograph made for the late Minister of Posts; he approved of it but King Albert did not desire publication during the war. His Majesty consented early in 1919, and the 10 centime stamp is an exact reproduction, with the exception of the lettering, of the portrait of King Albert which I took by command in September, 1917, on the Belgian front."

The first of the Victory stamps to appear was the 10 centimes, which was issued on July 19th, 1919, on the occasion of the Belgian National Fêtes, and so great was the demand for it that the entire available supply was completely sold out on the day of issue in most of the larger centers. However, in a few days further supplies were on sale and this 10 centimes existed in solitary grandeur for about four months when it was followed by the 15 centimes value and a little later 1 and 2 francs stamps were ready. Early in 1920 the 5c, 20c, 25c, 35c, 40c, 50c and 10fr denominations were issued while the two lowest values were not placed in circulation until June, 1920.

The dies, according to Field's catalogue, were engraved by Mr. Henri Cheffer, in Paris, and the first plates for the 10 and 15 centimes, and possibly those for the 1, 2 and 5 francs as well, were made in Holland by the well-known firm of J. Enschede and Sons of Haarlem. As soon as the Government Printing Works at Malines, which had been destroyed by the Germans, were restored, the stamps were printed there, this, apparently, happening late in 1919.

The franc values were all in sheets of twenty-five stamps, five horizontal rows of five each, and the first plates for the 10c and 15c, which were used at Haarlem, also had this arrangement.

When the stamps were manufactured in Malines new plates were made for the 10c and 15c values, comprising 100 stamps each arranged in ten horizontal rows of ten and all the other centime values were printed from plates of similar size except the 1c. This particular denomination was printed from plates of 150 subjects arranged in ten horizontal rows of fifteen stamps each.

In connection with this issue we thus have two sizes of sheets and two printers for some values and in addition there are varieties in the perforation and for many denominations more than one plate was used.

On the margins of the sheets of all values the control stamp consisting of the word "DEPOT" followed by the date "1919" or "1920" within a double-lined frame is shown, and one or other of the margins is perforated with the letters "C C" the meaning of which we have not been able to fathom.

A plate number was engraved on the lower margin this appearing below the third stamp in the case of the sheets of twenty-five subjects, below the eighth stamp for the 1 centime, and usually under the sixth stamps in the case of sheets of one hundred. The only exception we have found occurs on the 40c where the plate number is below the fifth stamp.

In *Stamp Collecting* for Dece 18th, 1920, Mr. Alex. Holland giv interesting list of known plate num to which we have been able to add 2 for the 1c, and which we repr below:—

Sheets.	*Value.*	*Plate Numb*
150	1 centime	1, 2, 3
100	2 centimes	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11,
100	5 centimes	1, 2, 3,
25	10 centimes	1, 2, 3, 4
100	10 centimes	1, 2, 3, 4
25	15 centimes	1, 2, 3,
100	15 centimes	1, 2, 3, 4
100	20 centimes	
100	25 centimes	
100	35 centimes	
100	40 centimes	
100	50 centimes	
25	1 franc	
25	2 francs	
25	5 francs	
25	10 francs	

The stamps were all printed on unwatermarked paper and perforat single-line machines. Two of machines were used, one having a g of 11 and the other of 11½ and as were used singly and in combinatio get numerous varieties of which following are all known at the tim writing:—

Perforated 11.

10 centimes.

Perforated 11½.

1c, 5c, 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 35c, 50c. 1, 5 and 10 francs.

Perforated 11½ x 11.

1c, 2c, 5c, 10c, 15c, 20c, 35c, 40c, 5 1, 2 and 10 francs.

The 10 and 15 centimes are repo to exist in two different sizes in or which the design measures 27x22 m and in the other 26½x23mm. It is said that these two values in the diffe sizes differ slightly in design due t touching of the dies. Presumably variety is always found in conne with the Haarlem printed stamps i sheets of 25 and the other in the Be prints in the larger sheets of 100 stam

When these stamps first appear was presumed it would be a perma set replacing the London printed st of 1915 but, on the contrary, only a tain number of each value were pri and, we understand, most of them been obsolete for some months. O 2, 5 and 10 francs values it is said 30,000 of each were printed.

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5 centimes, green.
10 centimes, carmine.
15 centimes, slate violet.
20 centimes, grey brown.
25 centimes, bright blue.
35 centimes, brown.
40 centimes, vermilion.
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I am sorry for the man who has no fad to keep him happy and busy and out of Satan's clutches. Satan has no use for an industrious man, and a man has got to be industrious to get a stamp collection together, and to so arrange it that it will be "a thing of beauty and a joy forever."

I began collecting stamps some years ago for the pleasure of it, and I am still collecting for the same reason. The spirit of commercialism has never entered into my collecting. Of course when a non-philatelic friend gets a glimpse at my albums, the first question is "How much are they worth?" or "Do you suppose you could ever get anything for them?" I always say, "I don't know", but the answer is only partly true, for I do know how much of joy and happiness they are worth to me. No one who has not been tried by the fire of philately, can answer the question truly or imagine how much my humble collection has helped me when I most needed help.

A dose of medicine won't cure the blues, but a collection of stamps will, for I have tried it. Medicine will not drive care away, but my stamps have made me forget there was such a thing as care in the world.

I go home worried over some trouble of the day, sit down at my desk, open my albums, and in a moment care has flown to the four winds of heaven. I am lost to the world, to the world of business and worry, and time is as naught. I may be in Borneo or New Zealand when the supper bell rings, and I certainly have been to joyland if no further.

Then again, something has gone wrong and I feel anything but pleasant. I sit down at my desk and idly open my album to the U. S. Washington and Franklin smile benignly at me although I am scowling at them, even Jackson of the big head looks pleasantly and serenely on. I turn the page, and the old blue locomotive stands patiently waiting as it did in 1869. The post boy still gallops on his immovable horse; the green steamship sails the placid green sea, and Columbus still stands on the shore of America. And in foreign lands, from the baby heads of Spain and her former colonies to the wild animals of Borneo, from the everlasting pyramids of Egypt to the tigers of Pahang, everything is peace and joy and sweet content and I become a part of it.

My albums are the old kind and the joy I find in the filled spaces is almost equalled by the expectation of filling the others. I turn often to such countries as Norway, where every space is filled, and then to others where the empty spaces predominate, but all alike represent so much of joy, I am happy with either.

I know I get as much real happiness out of my collection as the owners of the great collections of the world, and surely I have not the worry and fear of loss they must have, and then there are so many more stamps for me to get than there are for them.

I do not have to weep because there are no new worlds to conquer. They have attained, I am attaining, and content to climb slowly the heights which they have reached. I am not the target of every dealer who has something very rare and select to offer. They fire over my head and hit a rich collector, but in my case so many individual stamps recall pleasant things, outings in the country, search through deserted houses in Vermont, through country postoffices and also in certain business houses in the city, sometimes making a find, often not, but still loyal to the fad, and glad I'm living to pursue it.

Suppose I did spend a summer's afternoon driving round the country, looking for deserted houses, wasn't the day glorious, and the air health-giving, and when I found a house and had entered and climbed to the attic and found a barrel of old letters with all the stamps torn off, as I really did twice, why should I weep? Of course I would have liked to have found some rare old issues, but there were other houses, and other worlds, and I drove on, and suppose I did return home empty handed, I had had my drive and a glorious time and was I any worse off than the boy who sits all the afternoon on the wharf fishing?

I have made some good finds, but I never have found any great rarities and I have never tried to buy them for several reasons:—the first of which was, I did not have the price, having mentioned this reason, the others it is unnecessary to name.

An advanced collector might point the finger of scorn at my collection, but it would not worry me a bit. I have always tried to get good specimens, stamps that could look me in the face and not be ashamed of it.

I am very democratic in my ideas and life, I love the common people, but I must confess that stamps in rags do not appeal to me. Humble in size and shape and sombre in color, homely and travel stained, many showing the hard knocks they have received from the cancelling stamp, still if they are in their right mind, that is, "all there" I welcome them to my fold.

Now and then, a battered stranger of high degree has entered in and reposed in my album, because I was afraid his like I should not see again, but as a rule, they must be perfect in form, even if their characters are somewhat smirched.

The topper raised his glass to his boon companion and said "happy days", but we in philately need no such inspiration to give us happy days and many of them.

The very search for rarities and varieties we may have, gives us much pleasure. In common with most collectors, I have hundreds of duplicates, and many a time and oft, when I have read of some new variety being discovered, I have hastened to look through the duplicates of that country to find one of the newly discovered varieties. I must confess I have seldom found anything, but we all know that the pleasure of anticipation is often almost equal to that of realization.

In this busy rushing world, where there are so many things that "get on our nerves", so many things that excite and irritate, I have found that after a busy day, a little seance with my stamps has brought tranquillity and joy, and as I retire to rest, if perchance I do not go at once to sleep, I begin to think, not about the day's toil, but about my stamps, and the first thing I am asleep, dreaming of finds of stamps, and I drift calmly and peacefully away to a sweet repose due to a fairly clear conscience, a good digestion and those dear old stamps.

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Here is a request that is unusual but we give it prominence. A friend is anxious for information based on the following notice that appeared in a stamp paper in January, 1869, in the form of an answer to a correspondent: "L. S., Cincinnati.—Will write about the partnership. Prefer a man having a knowledge of stamps." The paragraph appeared in a Philadelphia paper and for historical reasons, we suppose, our correspondent wants his clue. 'Hark away! but it is a long cry from 1869 to 1922.

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In the *Smart Set* for September, there is a story in which the principal character is said to collect suicides as other people collect books or stamps. The combination as affecting books and stamps is not inept as they are in "intelligent juxtaposition" but suicides, avaunt.

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The secretary of the American Stamp Dealers' Association, Mr. W. F. Slusser, has a queer idea of sport. He is taking a three months' leave from his military duties and is spending some of his time in swinging around the circle, in order to get acquainted with dealers in and out of the association. His big idea is that it is fitting that he meet his confreres so that the personal equation may aid in understanding aims and motives; and hence his peregrinations. Here is enterprise of the right kind and quite in keeping with the modern tendency to "Rotarize" and "Kiwanize" the trade relations of business men by getting together, nothwithstanding the jibes of the unholy Mencken or others of his unregenerate ilk.

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A letter has been received from a collector who is interested in early U. S., as follows: "There is a stamp listed in the catalogue that does not seem to receive its share of attention. I refer to the twenty-four cent of the 1857-60 issue, red lilac, catalogued at $300 unused and not priced used. For a stamp of a character to justify this price, it has not been discussed as fully as it should be. I thought that I had the color but an expert says that I was only dreaming; even though the color of my stamp is 'off' he says that the red lilac does not come used. He seemed to be uncertain about the real red lilac and I wish you would say something about the shade for my benefit; and I am sure others who may be hugging a delusion would welcome your opinion." The catalogue of twenty years ago did not list the stamp in red lilac but ten years later, it appeared as a sub-variety of the twenty-four cent lilac but was not priced unused or used. Latterly, it is quoted in the book at $300 unused. Turning to Mr. Luff's work on our stamps we find that he is not certain that the stamp " in dull reddish lilac was ever issued as a stamp." He says that he has seen copies, both with and without perforations, in collections of proofs, and though at the time he wrote, say twenty-five years ago, he leaned to the belief that the stamp was a proof, he said he could not confirm his theory. In 1907, Mr. Charles J. Phillips told of the acquisition of the great Breitfuss collection by his firm, in a series of notes in Stanley Gibbons' *Monthly Journal* for August, 1907. Among the United States stamps in the collection, reference was made to two copies of the "plum, rare colour," of the twenty-four cent, 1857-60, with the following explanation: "One of these was obtained by Mr. Breitfuss from the Post Office Department in St. Petersburg, in 1880; this is interesting, as it tends to prove, I think, that this colour was the first printing and that it was used by the United States government to distribute to other countries; perhaps this is why we have not found the stamp used." Mr. Phillips' opinion is of value, though not conclusive. For a good many years, the color has been accepted as that of a stamp, duly issued, that has always been elusive and the present price evidently is well within reason. Nearly thirty-five years ago, we used to obtain copies of the unused twenty-four cent in lilac from Mr. Semmes of Alexandria, Virginia, and Mr. Bastable of Owl Run, Virginia, in fresh color, but they by no means could be confounded with the red lilac. In 1909, when Mr. Power wrote his first book on U. S., and priced, incidentally, the reddish lilac at $100 unused, he said: "All the copies I have seen came from Europe, so, possibly, they may be some kind of sample impressions for official interchange." The recent intensive study of early U. S., does not appear to have developed definite information concerning this stamp of striking color, so far as we know, but it is accepted as a real issue, without cavil.

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Commercial lines involving the investment of money and the time of any considerable number of persons, have their statisticians who delight in calculations more or less pertinent to the interests of those engaged in the businesses. These wizards of the pencil never weary of building statistics on every angle of their theme but philately does not seem to have come under their ministrations. It is true that guesses of straggling kind have been essayed by a few observers, as to the number of collectors in the country, who apply rules of fancy rather than of fact in their estimates. The taking of a census of collectors is a large undertaking, of course, and beset with difficulties, but there are other investigations worth while that are more certain of result, such as that of the amount of stamp capital employed by the stamp dealers in the United States, in the aggregate. While guess-work would have its place in making a compilation of the kind, yet if some patient soul would make a start, he would find that progress towards a successful end would be made. It would be most satisfactory to have a fairly correct statistical table of the amounts involved in the furtherance of stamp dealing, and the figures could be used effectively on occasion. We have been assured by one big dealer who has given the subject some thought, we suppose, that it would astonish us to know how much money was invested by dealers in their stocks; and that the sum total is much above the estimate that the guess of the conservative man would be. The time must come when an idea of this capital will be arrived at by some process fairly logical and we will know, too, just about how many stamp dealers, worthy of the classification, that we have among us.

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I am also informed that there are a complete new issue of Italian stamps in preparation, due to make their appearance the last of the month. These new values will be as follows: 30 paras; 60 paras; 3.30pi.; 4.20pi.; 7.20.; 15pi.; 18¾ 45pi and 90 piastres. From what little information I can learn they are to be surcharged "Constantinopli" and Value in two lines.

Recently I returned from Batoum, Russia, and the Soviet Govt. has put out some new stamps piece meal fashion. I was unable to purchase them over the counter except when letters were presented, so if this practice continues these stamps should be very good. They come as follows:—500 rubles red, workman (?) standing on mountain holding flag, 10 rubles brown, farmer sowing seed, 50 rubles green, woman standing with Soviet shield, and man sitting with mechanics tools. This stamp comes in a light and also a dark green, with two perforation, one clean cut and one like the Greek stamp.

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By EDWIN B. HILL, Ysleta, Texas.

The gentlemen who writes the paragraphic hysteria for a certain New York newspaper, falsely so-called, and occasionally makes it plain to philatelists that his diet is thistles, will have occasion to chortle once more. He can write of the prospective new-issue U. S. A. and score another pointless success among those of his readers who are equally ignorant. With him, ignorance is not bliss: it is everything earthy, and musty, too, as his rehashed philosophy, masquerading as new-thought. His proper place is in the *hic jacet* department: for of a truth he certainly lies.

All this is quite beside the question, but it will serve to introduce these discursive notes regarding several things philatelic which have recently come within my ken. First and foremost is that rare good stamp, the five cents 1851, imperforate. I wrote a little bit of history, several months ago, regarding this particular stamp, and its rarity. It awakened one dealer almost to violence; for he took me to task for my statement that the dealers were not stocked with copies. He had a goodly quantity, according to his story, and could send me anything I wanted. But, regrettably, I did not want any,—not at the price the stamp fetched. Later I picked up a fairly good one at what I considered a remarkably low price. It was a damaged copy, and the shade of brown cynically amuses me. Friendly collectors who have seen it gloss over their opinion that it isn't what it is,—only they don't say so: they don't say anything! And the dealer from whom it was acquired,—well, I have yet to know his honest opinion. Mine is not for publication.

Only a fortnight ago, a friend to whom I mentioned the quondam dealer who claims to be almost overstocked—and I am not quoting the dealer except by inference—rather amusedly remarked:

"Oh, Blanque? Yes, he has the stamps. There is no question about that. But he hasn't a perfection copy or a fine copy in stock. His are all seconds when they aren't thirds and fourths."

I am grateful indeed for this information. More than I should perhaps confess, when it was added that the friend had seen the stock, and spoke as one with authority. Then he added:

"The five cents 1851 is a very rare stamp in perfect condition. In fact, all U. S. perfection copies of early issues are not readily picked up these days."

In my pursuit of this stamp, and also certain cancellations, I was interested in an advertisement in a certain philatelic paper, in which all things seemed to be available. I picked up two cancellations, knowing them to be vastly different from Caesar's wife, but when, later, the same persons sent me on approval several copies of the five cents 1857, in a condition that was impossible, with the advice that one of them, trimmed, would make a very presentable 1851, I rebelled. I am willing to pick up a damaged or perfection copy, here and there, but as a trimmer I am certainly hopeless.

My specialty is stamps. I like Monaco. I adore Canada revenues. I admire the issues, including Departments and Revenues, of our own country. My tastes are catholic in stamps as Charles Lamb's were in books. And I collect books. But of stamps. I have been asked to advise a young collector who wishes to specialize. He has tried Sarawak, and Monaco, and B. N. A., and Chile,—and so have I. When this last appeal came I suggested Afghanistan.

"But why Afghanistan?" he asked.

I was put to it for reply. Then the revelation came.

"Because no one collects the stamps of that country. Specialize in it! I doubt if anyone here in these United States knows anything about the stamps and if he does he cares less."

The youth went away happy. But, since then, I have been suffering the pangs of the adviser. Perhaps someone cares for the stamps,—collects them,—specializes in them. Worse, still, I have a hazy recollection that a monograph has been written upon the issues. However, if my advice is acted upon, we shall have one man who eventually may be able to tell us something about a country and its issues, and perhaps popularize it to the joy of the over-stocked dealer (should he exist!) and the deep and sincere pleasure of the collector advised.

This suggests popularization. Whenever anyone begins to specialize, or to write about a certain stamp or stamps, there is a resultant demand for the country issuing these bits of paper. Do I not know it? Was not Monaco written up in England and the United States? The result has been increased values. Unfortunately my collection of the country passed, and now, seeking its replica, I am confronted by the catalogue values, which give me pause. But, hopeful always, I watch the auctions. The excessively rare and greatly underpriced five francs first issue Monaco, surcharged "specimen," rubbed came to me for a small sum. And now I am curious to know if there is another copy in any specialist's collection surcharged "specimen." I have had two other copies, but none with surcharge.

The three cents U. S. 1851 and 1857 is a stamp of increasing charm. It is not ordinarily rare. It is not difficult to pick up used or unused. Cancellations there are which make it scarce, and other cancellations cause it to be rare. It is a fine stamp for the collector of small means and large aims. I have seen a little collection, arranged very carefully showing different cancellations. Then there is the common three cents green, 1873 issue, U. S. A. A friendly collector who knows my weakness for things out of common, sent me more than a hundred, and an equal number of the two cents red-brown of 1883, for cancellations. It has resulted in another cancellation fan, added to the thousands already existing. May the tribe increase!

The new catalogue is to be with us November 1. It will be full of good things. There are countries to be studied,—stamps to be acquired,—specialisms to be planned and followed. Surely no collector should be at loss for a country in which to specialize. Meantime, I shall follow along the old plodding way,—content that I have a love for the bits of paper,—for the friendships cemented through this love,—for the pleasure and the privilege to write, now and then, out of the heart and soul of me for those who understand.

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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Much is appearing in the daily papers regarding the proposed new series of postage stamps and there is no doubt but what the Department at Washington is receiving many suggestions as to the subjects to appear on the several denominations. Outside of the fact that the portraits on the different values will in no two cases be the same, we cannot state definitely as to what illustration will be assigned in each case. In a recent issue, however, we were able to tell you of some that will no doubt be used. I am advised officially as of September 1st that "the subjects for the various denominations of the new series of postage stamps now contemplated have not been decided upon" and that as soon as the several subjects are "properly approved and accepted" that we will have early information for our readers.

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Mr. B. K. Miller advises that he has located the S. E. pane from sheet No. 7972 of the current 4c perforated 11, consisting of 110 stamps (10x11). This means that the knife which divides the sheet into panes did not separate the sheet at the guide line. Mr. Miller had previously located the N. E. pane of the same sheet consisting of 90 (10x9) stamps only.

We understand that the post office at Shanghai has cabled to Washington for an additional supply of the overprinted 1c and 2c postage stamps, so that there will no doubt be an additional printing of these two values. These may be in another shade, but this is hardly likely as the flat plate 1c and 2c stamps have been running pretty evenly in color here of late. The plate number collector however, will be able to distinguish this extra printing.

Our recent notes regarding covers "passing through the lines" during the period of 1861-65 has brought to hand a very interesting advertisement that has been located by Mr. Lawrence W. Gibson in one of the newspapers of the time. It reads as follows:—

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M. D. WHITESIDE.

Franklin, Ky., has a Daily U. S. mail by railroad to and from all points in the Union States.

Mitcheilville, Tenn., has a daily Confederate Mail by railroad to and from all points in the Seceded States."

This certainly explains one of the methods by which letters were passed between the Southern and Northern states, but the covers themselves would not indicate that the letter has traveled in such a manner, unless of course the letter itself was within the envelope.

Mr. J. C. Rice also sends for inspection a very interesting cover that has passed from the Union to the Confederate States. The envelope was posted from Camp Chase, near Columbus, Ohio, and a 3c stamp of the issue of 1861 is present postmarked with the Columbus stamp dated "Nov. 22". The Camp Chase mark falls upon the cover. In the upper left hand corner we find a 10c Confederate postmarked "Richmond, Va". The letter itself is addressed to White Sulphur Springs, Va., and we find in manuscript "Via Fortress Monroe & Flag of Truce to Richmond, Va., or by Savannah if that is the route." This cover like one we mentioned in our edition of August 5th, again brings up the question as to who pays the Confederacy for the 10c stamp attached at Richmond.

While on the subject of Confederate covers, Mr. Cassius L. Clay sends a photograph of a cover that he has located, sent from New Orleans, La., to Dennis Mills in the same state. In the upper right corner we read in large bold letters applied by a stamp "Pd 5 CTS—N. O. P. O." in two lines and to the left in one line "J. L. RIDDELL, P. M." This cover bears two postmarks of "New Orleans, La". One consists of two concentric circles with the date "Dec. 3, 186—" in the center, the last figure which is indistinct may be a "1", "3" or "4". The other postmark is within one circle and is dated with the day and month only "14 MAR". This provisional of the New Orleans postmaster is known, but I cannot account for the two postmarks several months apart.

We wish to thank Messrs. E. H. Draper, Chas. Metz, W. H. Miller and H. W. Porter for notes of interest.

AUSTRIA.—Mr. Felix Cohen informs us that he has received the following values of the last set; 15kr blue green; 30kr grey; 45kr brown orange and 75kr blue.

BARBUDA.—Mr. J. A. Galbraith submits for chronicle the following values of the current set of Leeward Islands s... charged "BARBUDA" in black, with ... exception of the 1sh and 4sh, which ... in red: ½d, 1d, 2d, 2½d, 3d, 6d, 1sh, 2... 3sh, 4sh and 5sh. All are on scr... watermarked paper except the 3d, ... and 5sh, which are multiple CA.

BELGIUM.—Mr. Henry Hooreman writes under date of August 18th, t... the following colors were adopted ... the new set, of which the 25c violet w... issued on July 25th last: 1c yellow; ... bistre; 3c bistre olive; 5c grey blue; ... green; 15c mauve; 20c sepia; 25c viol... 30c universal red; 35c brown and ... ruby red. Mr. Hooreman also ac... that a contract has just been signed w... a firm in Haarlem, Holland, for the ... livery of three new values in the ha... some Montenez type, to be issued short... 75c red rose; 2frs green and 10frs vio... Nothing is decided as to the 5frs, a... large stock on hand must be sold fi...

CEYLON.—Our Special Correspond... at Colombo, Mr. R. S. Lingam, quos... an announcement in the *Ceylon Morn... Leader* of July 15th, intimating the iss... of two new denominations in the curr... series, viz.: 12 cents red (for letters ... the British Empire) and 20c blue (... foreign countries). The appearance ... these will presumably necessitate ... alteration in the colours of the current... and 15c values, which are in red a... blue respectively.—*Stamp Collecting.*

GRENADA.—Mr. R. Roberts sends us... copy of a 2sh stamp on blue paper, scr... watermarked, that is printed in she... of 120, cut in halves and issued in pa... of 60.

GREECE.—Our Patras corresponde... Mr. T. W. A. Wood, informs us that ... from August 1st the rates of postage ... Greece have been increased from 50 to ... lepta for foreign letters and from 30 ... 50 lepta for foreign post cards—th... presumably, owing to the low rate ... exchange.

However, despite the latest increa... the Greek postage is nowhere near ... high as it is in Great Britain or Co... nies, the current rate of excha... through the banks for the £ sterli... being 140 drachmae; therefore 80 le... equals less than 1½d.—*Stamp Collecti...*

INDIA.—Mr. R. Roberts sends us ... copy of a 1½a brown with a correc... inscription "One and a half anna" printed in sheets of 256, watermark... large star falling on each stamp a... "STAR PAPER STAR" in large doub... line capitals falling on the pillared m... sin. Mr. Roberts also adds that it w... not intended to issue these stamps un...

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INDO-CHINA.—This Colony, lagging behind the other French possessions in conforming to the requirements of the Postal Union with regard to the colours of its postage stamps, has only just sent to the Berne Bureau the following:—

1c yellow and black.
2c green and black.
4c red and black.
5c blue and black
10c purple and black on azure.
15c blue and black on rose.

Despite the alleged scandalizing of the Annamite and Cambodian types of 1907 these new issues are all in M. Puyplat's original designs.—*Stamp Collecting.*

ST. KITTS-NEVIS.—Mr. J. A. Galbraith has shown us the following new items in the type of the 1920 issue: 2½d brown, ultramarine, 2sh ultramarine and black on blue, and 1 pound red and black on green. The first three values are script watermark and the high value Multiple Crown CA.

SWITZERLAND.—We learn from Messrs. Stanley Gibbons, Ltd., that the colour of the current 5c orange is shortly to be changed.

League of Nations.—Despite the sneering remarks made by certain Jingo journals the League of Nations still exists and has appropriated to itself a distinctive overprint for its official correspondence. This hallmark of international creation consists of the words "SOCIÉTÉ DES NATIONS", in three lines of blue-black Roman capitals, on eleven values of the current postage stamps of Switzerland. The sale of these stamps to the public is strictly prohibited, and they are intended only for use on official correspondence of the League of Nations at Geneva, which is carried at reduced rates. A proposal to create stamps of distinctive design as a means of propaganda for the League was rejected by the Swiss postal authorities, by whom "provisionals" were supplied.—*Stamp Collecting.*

TANGANYIKA.—Mr. R. Roberts advises the appearance of the 5c purple and blue, 30c blue and grey; 40c brown and grey, 50c grey and 75c ochre and grey of the new design mentioned before on the script watermarked paper.

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ARRANGEMENT BY DESIGN.

By A. J. Koop.

Having recently to remount a growing specialized collection of United States, I soon decided that with this country, at all events, if not with many another, the simplest and most logical, as well as the most interesting and instructive classification of the stamps in detail was one based on the *arrangement by design.* I concluded, that is to say, that the design of each stamp, and the various minor alterations made in it during its currency, should as far as possible form the *primary* basis of classification, the *secondary* basis being provided by such relatively unimportant incidents as a change of shade or even of colour, a variation in the make or appearance of the paper, or in the style and gauge of its perforation, and even such things as casual surcharges and overprints.

Carried to its logical extreme in nearly every class of U. S. stamp, my method has proved in practice as near an approach to perfection as I could wish, and I can see no reason for going back to the conventional classification adopted (no doubt with good reason) by the catalogues and (with less reason) by most collectors who specialize. Without making a full test, I imagine that the new method could be successfully applied to many other groups of stamps—at any rate its underlying principles could in every case be borne in mind with advantage.

My first care was, naturally, to divide off the main classes of stamps, such as (*a*) the regular adhesives from 1847 to date (*b*) envelopes and postcards (*c*) revenues and so forth. But even here the new method had its say. Commemoratives from Columbus (1893) to the Mayflower (1921) were made a class by themselves (like newspapers, postage dues and other miscellaneous issues), so as not to disturb the even succession of the contemporary regular issues. On the other hand, the Franklin Carrier (and the Eagle with it), as well as the Departmentals, were worked among these regulars, owing to similarity of *design.*

I next broke up each class into "series" (using this term in preference to "issues"), but took care to make as few "series" as possible. Thus, the 5c and 10c of 1847 naturally became "Series I," while the next set, current during the period 1851-1861, made an obvious "Series II." I say "obvious" because it is clear that the issue, in 1857, of the stamps in a perforated state did not of itself affect their designs or constitute them a new series. For, after all, a perforate stamp is no more than a mere paper variety of its imperforate prototype.

Similarly, when a new set was issued in August, 1861, to be repeated in the following month with slight improvements in some of the designs—when also, a few years later, the same stamps (together with the two new values already added, *viz.,* 2c and 15c) appeared with the paper "embossed with grilles"—there was in all this, I contend, no more than a single "Series III," and not two, three or more separate issues, as the catalogue classification would imply.

"Series IV" gives us the 1869 set, with little to trouble us in the matter of re-arrangement, while my "Series V" (the "Middle Issues") unites the whole of the regular adhesives (as well as the Departmentals, of kindred design) current between 1870 and 1890, into one large but homogeneous group, with all their "grilled" varieties, their "secret marks" (I should like to call these "Die Ia") their "re-engraved" designs ("Die II") and an occasional change of colour. I have even found it a convenience to distribute the "second designs" for certain values (1c, 2c, 5c) in numerical sequence among the rest.

After that, it is mere child's play, with the intrusive Columbians out of the way, to treat the 1890-4-5-8 issues as a single "Series VI", by regarding the addition of spandrel-ornaments to the design (1894) or of a watermark to the paper (1895), as well as various changes of colour (1898), as insufficient to constitute new series. Certain Colonial overprints (Cuba, etc.) would naturally be worked in at this point.

"Series VII" (officially "Series 1902") offers little difficulty—it includes a second design for the 2c, a re-issue (as late as 1917) of the $2 and $5 with a different perforation, and a few Colonial overprints. The regular issues from 1908 to date, if arranged in strict chronological order, are very confusing, not to say chaotic. But call them all "Series VIII." and take each value in turn through all its vicissitudes of design, dies, printing methods, colour, paper and perforation, before dealing with the next value in numerical sequence, and it is wonderful how easily order arises out of chaos, and, indeed, how much more interesting these somewhat dull issues become.

To proceed to more minute detail, without unduly encroaching on my space, I will show how I arrange the varieties of a single stamp, the 1c of Series II (see illustration).

This stamp appeared first in 1851, the sheets being issued imperforate until 1857, from which date they were regularly perforated. At the same time, the design underwent certain small alterations, such as would appeal to specialists only. Thus we have, according to the latest classification, Types I to V, some of them with one or more sub-types. Now, of these, Types I-IV appear on both the imperf. and perf. issues, and if we were to examine most specialised collections we should find the exhibit opening quite naturally with "Type I imperf." (or at least a space for it!). But on our asking to see this type in its imperforate form, we should be told to turn over the page or pages dealing with the other 1c types *imperf.,* followed by more pages containing the 3c and the other values in all their various types, *still* imperf.; and only then should we come to what we were looking for—virtually the same stamp, produced from the same plate and maybe at the same printing.

Logically it is clear that the perforated 1c in Type I should follow immediately on the imperfs. of the same type—and so with all the other types of the several designs in the series; and we may shortly hope to learn that specialists in U.S.A. (and other countries) have come round to my way of thinking and have been busily engaged in reshuffling the pages in their loose-leaf albums!

To continue our illustration. In 1875 a series of reprints ("Special Printings") of all the then current and obsolete U.S. postal adhesives were issued and sold to the public at face value. Most of them are very rare, and the collector lucky enough to possess a complete set for (say) "Series II" may, perhaps, be forgiven if he prefers for that reason to keep them together. Were they, on the other hand, quite common, I would insist on the distribution of at least a duplicate set in their appropriate places among the various types of the original issue. In the series under notice, for instance, the "special print" of the 1c—it happens to be one of the commoner ones—is an example of Type I.

Further developments of the principle will occur to the serious student of stamps, but enough has been said, I hope, to justify my plea for "arrangement by design."—*Kensington Philatelist.*

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By J. D. COOKE, Whippany, N. J.

Madison, N. J., has precancelled all values through the 20c, including the 13c. The type is a handstamp similar to U-3 and is a very pretty issue.

Knoxville, Tenn., Victory double, 1 up and 1 down, is an item that I recently picked up.

The only new 10x11 that I can chronicle this month is Winona, Minn.

Two good new one dollar values are Ithaca, N. Y., and Norwood, Mass.

Great Falls, Montana, up in blue ink, makes a very pretty addition to my collection.

As mentioned in a recent issue of the *Phizzle*, the New York Coils furnishes an interesting study. Have just added two new types. One is a three line type which is considerably different than any yet put out by the New York office and in addition there is an irregular smudge line horizontally across the stamp. The other one is that pretty box cancellation which appears twice on a stamp, similar to Rochester, Buffalo, etc.

Red Bank, Iowa, is my only new rotary press perf. 10 all around this month.

Palmer, Mass., is using a new type. It consists of large caps and is a horizontal inscription. Have it on the 9c.

Long Island City on the three cent offset inverted is a new one from that city.

It has been reported to me on good authority that the Post Office Department has sent out a questionnaire to all post offices as to whether they would like to use precancelled stamps for all 3rd and 4th class mail. If that were done all stamps would be affixed in the post office and none would be passed out to firms and no permits to use them would be issued. This would greatly widen the collecting field, but it is an open question whether it would be beneficial to the game. It would tend to lessen if not entirely do away with the speculative phase of the game.

East Aurora, N. Y., 1c rotary press, perf. 10 all around, is the latest in this variety.

Scranton, Pa., 6c, perf. 11, inverted double is a sweet item that I recently picked up.

The following Ridgewood, N. J., are not catalogued by Bushnell: Type 1, perf. 11 2c offset up; 9c up; 12c up; 15c up; 20c up; and 10c up; also perf. 8½ coil 1c down; type 2 perf. 10 11c nor.; perf. 11, 2c offset, 2c double; 6c, 9c, 12c and 15c all normal.

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STAMPS FOR ASCENSION.

Two "mighty atoms" of the Atlantic Ocean have been in the limelight of late—the islands of Ascension and Tristan da Cunha. The latter, unlike the former, is not yet a candidate for admission to the stamp album, and is in every way inferior to Ascension, which, as exclusively announced in last week's *Stamp Collecting*, is about to be admitted to "Crown Colony" rank as a philatelic pendant to St. Helena, with distinctive stamps of its own—at first provisional and later definitive.

Ascension is 760 miles northwest of St. Helena, and is described in the reports of the celebrated "Challenger" as "a series of extinct volcano cones." It was compared by Darwin to "a huge ship kept in first-rate order." As every stamp collector knows—having acquired the knowledge perhaps only because he is a collector, by reason of his acquisition of or learning about the various British "used abroads"—the island is—or perhaps we should say *was*—under the jurisdiction of the Admiralty and is rated as a ship of war. It is said to have been discovered by a Portuguese, named Joao de Nova Gallego, on Ascension Day, 1501, and two years later was visited by Alphonse d'Albuquerque, who gave the island its present name. Its extreme length is seven and a half miles, and extreme breadth six miles, with an area of about forty square miles, and, being situated in the heart of the S.E. trade winds, its climate is dry and salubrious up to 1,800 feet, but above that height to its limit it is damp and foggy. It remained uninhabited till 1815, when the British took possession of it.

The inhabitants consist of officers and their families, seamen, marines, and Kroomen from the Liberian coast; a limited number of men also have their families with them, the full complement of the island being about 250 (exclusive of forty members and servants of the Eastern Telegraph Co..) with about thirty-five women and children. George Town, the garrison settlement, is situated in a small bay on the northwest coast.

The island is fortified, and is connected by the Eastern Telegraph Co. with St. Vincent, St. Helena, Sierra Leone, and Buenos Aires. It now possesses a steam factory, while there is also an excellent hospital and sanatorium. So it has just as much right to its own postage stamps as the Cayman and the Gilbert and Sullivan Isles, though, so far, it seems to have no staple industry, unless we can count its chief products—fish, turtle, and birds' eggs. Ascension is visited by the sea turtle from January to May, which lay their eggs in the sand, fifty-eight being "turned" during 1920, their weight being from 500 to 800 lbs. The sooty tern, or "wide-awake," use the island as a nesting place about every eighth month, their eggs being much appreciated by the inhabitants. Were it not that we are already in possession of official information as to the nature of the design for the stamps to be ultimately issued, we might have had visions of turtles or sooty terns or Tongaesque watermarks on Ascension stamps.

Our reference books tell us that the bare hills have been covered with plants and shrubs, a road has been constructed for six miles from the landing place, and a good water supply secured.

According to the latest "Whitaker," the officer in charge is Major H. G. Grant, R. M. L. I., its trade for 1920 being recorded as: Exports £191, Imports (all from the U. K.) £28,925. Transit from London to Ascension occupies about fourteen days.

More than six years ago, when *Stamp Collecting* first hinted at the possibility of a separate postal issue for Ascension, we remarked that it would be very appropriate to have a series of King George stamps from George Town!

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HON. EDITOR, *Phizzletelic Phizzle.*
(*Who are some Philatelic Nutt*).

Hon. Sir?

Little Jap Boy notice with muchly glee in Hon. Magazines and Hon. News Print Papers in last year muchly comment and news stories about Hon. Philately which are all to the Hon. Mustard we opine.

But Little Jap Boy also note of late the Hon. writings of one Hon. Arthur Brisbane who are an Irish Swede from Hon. Hoboken or some other Hon. Foreign Country who are paid real Hon. Money to write Hon. Hot Stuff for Hon. Hearst's yellow Kidd Newspapers.

Hon. Brisbane opines that any one who collects Hon. stamps is a nutt and are one sweet candidate for Hon. Booby Hatch. He also intimate that Hon. stamp collecting are muchly to strenuous for Hon. Healthy children which make one sweet sickly smile appear on our Hon. Visage.

Little Jap Boy opine that Hon. Brisbane have gone off half cocked, and we ask it? What do Hon. Brisbane know about what Hon. Philately teach? We are muchly willing to bet 10 Yen to hole in Hon. Dough Nutt that Hon. Brisbane who appear so intelligently wise can't tell off hand where Hon. Clipperton Islands are locate, nor how Hon. Uncle Sam got Hon. Hawaiian Islands, nor read one of "BRODYS" letters, nor pronounce Blagoveschensk correctly three times in one Hon. Minute without sneezing to death. Yes; Hon. Brisbane are a Nutt alright but he are about 60% below a Hon. Philatelic Nutt. Banzai.

Little Jap Boy have find many Hon. Nutts in traveling around this Hon. U. S. A. firstly there are the Nutt that plays the Hon. GOLUF. Little Jap Boy no can do. Hon. Goluf NUTT place Hon. Ball on Hon. Ground, then making muchly pretense to smite Hon. Ball to see if Hon. Ball are Nervous, then if Hon. Ball are quite composed, and Hon. Goluf player are sure everyone are looking he hit Hon. Goluf Ball on left cheek for a row of tin bath houses, AND, if Hon. Goluf Player find Hon. Goluf Ball the same Hon. Week he wins. Some Hon. Nutt.

Then Little Jap Boy have find the Hon. Billiard Nutt who will walk 17 Hon. Miles around the Hon. Green Table in one night and call it sport. Then there are the Hon. Lawn Tennis Nutt. 40 Love and Hon. Balls to you stuff. The Hon. Chess-Nutt that moves every Hon. Hour whether he wants to or not. The Hon. Boxing Nutt, the Hon. Wrestling Nutt, the Hon. Baseball Nutt, and a great many other Hon. Nutts who infest this Hon. Country.

Little Jap Boy happen to tell one Hon. Drug Clerk last week that he were muchly interested in Hon. Stamps. Hon. Drug Clerk say with sweet sarcastic smile. "So you are one Hon. Philatelic Nutt are you?" Yas I assent, in delightful discord, I are, What, may I inquire, are you nutty about? Oh, say Hon. Drug Clerk, I like very muchly to catch the Hon. Black Bass, but I think any one must be a little off to collect the Hon. Postage Stamps. He make comeback. Mebbe so, I remark. But any Hon. Human who can walk many Hon. Miles along the Hon. Creek and hope and pray that a 10 inch Hon. Bass will rise to choke to death on a Hon. Eight Inch Chub, he are not NUTTY, oh, no, just a Hon. Piscatorial Artist that's all.

So Little Jap Boy opine that is Hon. World are full of Hon. NUTTS and they all feel sorry for the Philatelic Nutts.

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When the daily press announced cable reports of the prices at which certain stamps were sold, reporters of the New York papers interviewed the larger stamp dealers to learn as to the probable American purchaser. They one and all supposed it was Mr. Caspary or Colonel Green or Mr. Ackerman or possibly the King of England. Not one thought of Mr. Hind, for previous to the sale he was not known as a purchaser of rarities. Some writers have wondered what these well known stamps actually cost the purchaser after he had paid the French government tax and other expenses. Such happenings made it of interest to know this gentleman, who was fast becoming the Ferrari of America, to learn what and how he collected, how long had he collected, what did the 1c British Guiana, the Boscawen, the Lockport and others actually look like and what did they cost him in real honest to goodness dollars and cents.

Towards the end of June, I had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Hind, hence these few notes. Taking a sleeper out of New York City I reached Utica early in the morning and learned by phone that Mr. Hind was ready to see me. A taxi soon reached the outskirts of the city where I found the Hind residence, an unpretentious bungalow such as we find at our coast resorts. Mr. Hind greeted me at the door. I had for some reason, or I better say without reason, pictured him as a tall, wiry business man around forty. Instead I found him to be a genial, stocky, thickset gentleman around sixty, ruddy complexion, blue eyes, light hair bordering on gray with a close cropped sandy mustache. As for height, he is neither tall nor short but medium. Mr. Kennett was present on one of his regular visits, in consultation and assisting in arranging recent purchases.

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ARTHUR HIND.

country. He started collecting stamps in a modest way about thirty years back but only recently has come into the market as the purchaser of the best and rarest that is offered. He collects the postage stamps of the world but is more interested in the unusual items than he is in the general run of things. In United States for instance he goes in for singles, unused, of the 19th century issues while in the 20th century he collects mint blocks. While he has many fine blocks of our early issues he is by no means trying to complete the several series in this shape, but when the unusual is offered, such as the block of twenty-one of the 10c 1851, that was sold at the

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Springfield Convention of the American Philatelic Society, why he goes after it and gets it. He pays big prices but should be classed as a careful buyer, in other words he feels that an auction sale sets the price and possibly buys more in this manner than otherwise. From my impressions I imagine that he gladly paid $1825.00 at auction to obtain the block of the 10c 1851 just described above, but had it been offered at private sale for $1500.00 I doubt very much if he would have bought it.

His collection is mounted in loose leaf albums and he keeps on hand a copy of the Scott catalogue with every item checked that he has. In United States he has practically everything, including most all of the early postmaster provisionals. He had the first pick from the Gibson Collection when that well known lot of rarities was broken up and took the buff Alexandria, and many of the Baltimores and others, for some reason he passed up the blue Alexandria evidently feeling that the price upon it was more than it was worth. I believe this is the only postmaster that he lacks.

He owns the only copy known of the 5c Boscawen which he obtained at the Ferrari sale at a cost to him covering sales price, tax and expenses about $12,000.00. I believe this is the first time this information has been published. The stamp when I saw it was still mounted on the sheet from the auction sale, or I better say the cover upon which appeared the stamp was so mounted. It is printed in a dull blue on what appears to be almost a yellowish white coarse tissue paper. The cover is addressed to Concord, New Hampshire, and while the stamp is uncancelled the cover shows a manuscript postmark reading "Boscawen, N.H.—Dec 13" in two lines, same appearing in the upper left corner of the cover. On the back we find a pencil notation, signed "John N. Luff" "this is the Boscawen stamp described in my book on U. S. Postage Stamps. So far as I know it is the only copy in existence.". It is from this cover that the illustration in his monograph on United States stamps was made. The cover on the front also shows the Ferrari three-leaf clover. This stamp was issued in Boscawen during 1846, at which time Worcester Webster, a relative of Daniel Webster, was postmaster. He served in this capacity from February 5 1841, and retired on January 15, 1851. His provisional was carelessly type set and it is so hastily gotten together that it is doubtful if many were sold. This unique cover, so we are told, was obtained by a Mr. H. H. Lowrie in 1865 from Mr. William M. Ireland, then Chief Clerk to the Third Assistant Postmaster General. Mr. H. E. Deats acquired it from Mr. Lowrie and I believe it then passed to the Scott Stamp and Coin Company who in turn sold it to Ferrari.

The unique Lockport postmaster provisional, also acquired at the Ferrari sale at a net cost to the owner of about $8,550.00, is on a cover and cancelled with cross lines in ink, the lines looking as if they were applied by someone old or nervous for they are anything but straight. The stamp is in the upper left corner, is printed in a very light dull red on a coarse wove buffish paper. The figure "5" of value is in manuscript in black ink. The cover is addressed to Geneva, N. Y., and shows a Lockport postmark. The letter is dated March 18, 1846. This variety was issued at a time when Col. Hezekiah W. Scovell was postmaster and he served in this capacity from 1835 to 1849. I overlooked mentioning that the word PAID also appeared on the cover.

Another postmaster of more than passing interest, secured by Mr. Hind at the April, 1922, Ferrari Sale, was the well known 5c red Annapolis listed in Scott as No. 2. This variety is an envelope stamp and the impression is strongly impressed in dull carmine on a neat white envelope. There is a very distinct and sharp postmark in blue at the left. Both impressions were made by someone with plenty of time on their hands for they are very distinct and clear in every way. This cover was found in January, 1895, by Mr. Burger in the correspondence of an old Philadelphia concern, Carstairs & Company. This cover, like the two above, also shows the little circle with clover leaf. The Annapolis postmaster provisional was issued in 1846, at the time the Hon. M. F. Revell, who served from 1844 to 1849, was the postmaster of the town that was later to house our Naval Academy. For this cover Mr. Hind paid about $2,965.00.

In the way of United States of lesser importance, including the general issues, Mr. Hind has practically everything in mint condition, all of the August issue, most all of the grills, the 1869 inverts, the special prints, all of the late blocks, including mint blocks of the 4c and 8c 1908 on blue paper.

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Most of the papers that have mentioned this stamp, have described it as being badly damaged and in poor condition. From my inspection I certainly would not describe it as such. While it is cut to shape, that is rectangular with the four corners cut off making an octagon, the printing is clear, the word "one" is distinct and the initial is sharp. It seems to have a thin spot not noticeable on the face, and on the back we find a purple rubber stamp guarantee, undecipherable, of someone. Mr. Hind still had this on the auction sheet when I examined it and for this he did not pay $32,000 as has so often been stated in the philatelic press, but it cost him just exactly $34,198.00 in real coin of the realm. The stamp is printed in black on what might be described as dark magenta paper, colored through, and has black manuscript initials "E. D. W."

It was typeset at the office of the *Official Gazette* at Georgetown, British Guiana, during 1856, at a time when they were awaiting a supply of stamps from England. Writing about it in 1902 Mr. Nankivell, the well known and well posted English editor, stated that if it were sold it would possibly bring between one and two thousand pounds. None of us ever thought it would bring several times that figure, and the question arises as to what it will bring if it ever again comes upon the market. A few years back, a price around $7,000 for a stamp was a record, and it was thought that the highwater mark had been reached. Today there are a dozen different stamps that are worth in excess of $10,000. Will the time not come when we will have our hundred thousand dollar class like paintings, tapestries, rugs and the like?

Mr. Hind's most recent purchase was a beautiful copy of the 10c bluish Baltimore on cover. The most expensive item in his collection is a Mauritius cover, of which we present a reproduction elsewhere in this issue. It is unique in the way that no other envelope is known with both penny and two-penny. It cost about $50,000.00.

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I overlooked mentioning that Mr. Arthur Hind has a keen sense of humor, for he asked me how an alert young man could live in a slow town like Philadelphia, and on asking him if he often visited the city, stated that he passed through it on the way to other places. He tells me that he is not making the collection with any intentions of ever leaving it to a museum or any other place. From my conversation I have concluded that he feels he is making a good investment and who is there among us but what will agree with him.

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Reconstructed Plate of the Two Pence "Post Paid" Mauritius Re-engraved in 1858.

Two plates of the One Penny and Two Pence (POST PAID) were found in 1910 in a cellar beneath the building used for the administrative office of the Governor of Mauritius, Sir Cavendish Boyle, who brought them to England and offered them to the King, the former President of the Royal Philatelic Society. These plates had already been seen by Major Evans when he was an officer in the Island and he had some impressions in black made from them. These proofs have been reproduced in the work on the stamps of British Africa published by the Royal Society.

This important discovery has proved two things—that the plates of the 1 penny and 2 pence of 1849 were so worn that it was considered indispensable to have them re-engraved, but instead of proceeding with an entirely new engraving they engaged an engraver, Mr. Sherwin, to *retouch* the plates, that is to restore the lines, as is proved by the following note written on the back of the letter which the Postmaster had addressed to the Governor on February 10, 1858.

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(*Signed*) W. H. Rawstorne,
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re seem to be no documents con- g the plate of the 1 penny, which se exists since Major Evans had impressions taken from it in black, e have said. One can therefore ably suppose that Mr. Sherwin made the retouches of the heads both plates and that it was M. t who finished the work. The of the 1 penny was ready before f the 2 pence, but as there was no for stamps of this value it was side. When the plates came into ssession of the Royal Society, to King George V presented them, work of faint vertical lines close er was engraved on each plate so t should not be possible to make r reprints which might be con- with the originals.

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Type.	ABOVE. Left.	Right.	BELOW. Left.	Right.
1.	o. centered.	c. smaller at right.	c. narrow.	o. to the right.
2.	o. raised.	c. small, thin at top.	c. deformed at left.	o. to the right.
3.	o. centered.	c. well formed.	c. deformed.	o. centered.
4.	o. large.	c. small, well formed, thin at top.	c. large, thin at bottom.	o. dropped.
5.	o. centered.	c. elongated.	c. deformed at left.	o. small, dropped.
6.	o. centered.	c. smaller at left.	c. thin at left, twisted at bottom.	o. dropped.
7.	o. to the right.	c. well formed.	c. deformed at bottom, poor in center.	o. large, centered.
8.	o. centered.	c. broken in center.	c. large, thin at left.	o. large.
9.	o. centered.	c. malformed at right.	c. deformed at left and bottom.	o. large, dropped.
10.	o. raised.	c. smaller and deformed at right.	c. deformed at left, this part is detached from center.	o. large.
11.	o. centered.	c. deformed at bottom, being split in two.	c. deformed at left..	o. large, fan-shaped at top.
12.	o. small and raised.	c. broken in the center and malformed at right.	c. deformed at left and bottom, right arm detached from center.	o. dropped.

(b) INSCRIPTIONS.

Type.	Postage.	Post Paid.	Mauritius.	Two Pence.
1.	A very wide, G deformed.	small inscription, O very round, stop after D, near corner.	M small and bent, 1st U narrow, 2nd U slanting and malformed, S thick above, thin below.	T small, W slanting, E near corner.
2.	P small, A wide, T malformed.	P and D away from corners, stop near corner.	A slanting, R wide.	W slanting, O malformed, C small.
3.	P small, A thin, E thick.	P and D far from corners, T very thin, stop between D and corner.	M thin and malformed, 1st U thin.	Inscription tall, E near corner.
4.	O small and narrow, E away from corner.	Inscription heavy, P near corner, without stop.	M wide, 2nd U narrow.	Inscription large, E near corner.
5.	A and G thick, E very large.	P and D away from corners, P small, stop near D.	A wide and thin, R wide and thick.	O elongated, P thick, small E near corner.
6.	O thin, G open, E away from corner.	P and D elongated, O small, A very wide, stop between D and corner.	1st U narrow, R slanting, I small.	T small and near corner, O small, C wide and malformed, E thick, small and away from corner.
7.	P almost touches corner, A very large, E very thick.	Inscription thick, P and D near corners, no stop.	M wide, both U's thin and tall.	T smaller than W, C thick, E thick and very straight.
8.	S, G and E very thick.	Inscription tall and thick, D away from corner, stop near corner.	M wide, R thick, T thick.	T malformed, WO very thick, N thin, C small.
9.	TA very large, S very badly formed.	Inscription tall and thick, stop near corner.	M small, R very thick, inscription generally thick.	T thick, W slanting, P malformed, bottom of E imperfect.
10.	P away from corner, inscription thin, E thick and away from corner.	Inscription tall and thin, A slanting, no stop, D small.	A small, 1st I thin, S well formed.	TWO small, O round.
11.	P and S malformed, E large.	S thin, O slanting, D away from corner, stop near corner.	1st U very narrow, TIU thin.	TW thick, P very wide, N thin.
12.	Inscription regular, except O malformed.	P and D away from corners, thin T away from P, A wide, stop between D and corner.	M malformed, IUS thick.	T narrow, W wide, C tall.

SPECIAL FEATURES OF THE DESIGN.

Type 1. The back is formed by two lines.
2. POST PAID with a stop after each word.
3. The lines of the background run into the A of POSTAGE; there is a short line in the back.
4. Vertical line, starting from within the left corner ornament and running obliquely toward the left lower corner.
5. The lines of background cross the border beneath the O of POSTAGE; line under TWO.
6. x x x x x x
7. Error PENOE has been corrected; large cross-hatching under bust.
8. Line due to engraving tool on base of bust.
9. Point of bust is rounded.
10. Vertical line beneath the hair.
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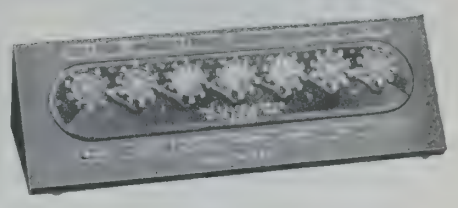

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By L. H. BRIGHAM.

It is really not so much a matter of knowing how to buy stamps as it is a case of knowing *how to buy right.* When we start buying stamps we find that they can be purchased in a number of different ways:

1. There is the unsorted mixture sold by the pound, consisting of stamps with the paper still on them, just as they were torn off of the corner of the envelope. In these stamps we find very few varieties.

2. Next come packets containing several hundreds or thousands of different varieties, depending on the size of the packet. Each one of these packets is a small collection in itself. If we are just beginning collecting, a packet such as one of these would give us an excellent start, but if we already have a considerable number of stamps, here again we are going to obtain a lot of duplicates on account of finding many stamps we already have, in almost any one of these packets.

3. Entire, complete sets are now called to our attention. Here we see large sets of stamps of both early and recent issue which would fill an entire page, or sets containing a smaller number of stamps which would fill out a line or so on some page. We are greatly surprised to find that we can obtain some of these sets, consisting of the most beautiful stamps, for only a few cents per set. Stamps to be really appreciated must be seen in entire sets, where one has the opportunity to note the great contrast in the colors, shapes, and designs of these beautiful pieces of paper. Even the most disinterested of individuals are moved to expressions of delight and enthusiasm when viewing some such stamps as these.

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(3) You purchase only the exact stamps you desire.

(4) You are enabled to select the best specimen from among several of one kind.

(5) Sets can be completed where only one or two single stamps are missing.

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(7) Opportunity is presented for specializing on the stamps of c countries or groups of countries, collector's tastes run to this mann collecting.

(8) The latest and newest of can be found rubbing edges along their brother and sister stamp another century; therefore, if a lector desires only recent issues of st for his collection, he can find here, and vice versa.

The size and type of one's colle should determine entirely the m in which one elects to buy his st The amount of money a collecto to invest in this manner is also an determining factor. The che stamps are not always the best. an investment point of view, it pa collect only the very best of speci even though the prices on these m slightly higher than an inferior co the same stamp.

A little experimenting on a colle part with several dealers can determine in his mind just where able to obtain the greatest value fo money. Always treat a dealer's tion with the greatest of care and prompt return of the stamps not chased. This is only fair and The dealer will appreciate it and his appreciation in various ways, a which will be to your advantage.

SOME PHILATELIC PROBLEMS

By PERPLEXED COLLECTOR.

U. S. No. 252 carmine, unused,
U. S. No. 279b orange red, unuse
U. S. No. 279 rose carmine, un'd,
Cuba 222 carmine,
222a red,
223 red,
223a carmine,

Cuba 222a and 223 is U. S. 279b charged, in U. S. he is orange red; he gets to Cuba he is simply red.

Cuba 222 is U. S. 279c (when they charge him, price drops from a V to a dime). They also drop the and when he gets to Cuba he is si carmine.

Phil. No. 214a red,
No. 214 carmine,
P. Rico, No. 211 carmine
No. 216 carmine,
Guam No. 2 carmine,
No. 2a carmine rose,

This latter chap is U. S. 279c, bu ing in Guam now, he changes his from rose carmine to carmine rose.

How is a collector going to posit identify U. S. No. 279c?

What's the difference between mine rose" and "rose carmine"? (I own a Philatelic Dictionary yet!)

A fade of U. S. No. 252 wil changed from 40c to $5.00 and be 279c. All one has to do is leave h the sunlight a few hours, days or w

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American Collector Brings Ferrari Gems Home.

By W. WARD.

But one happening has been required in the bringing back to America of the finest specimens of United States postal history—that is, from a philatelic point of view, if not altogether from one of art, design, form or commission. That one happening is, that the whole of the American people could not be informed of the circumstance that has managed once more to bring back to America her choicest philatelic gems. There could be another happening, but not possible on this mortal coil, and that is that these great rarities could be received by America's greatest Postmaster General, Benjamin Franklin.

The largest buyer of the rare stamps at the Ferrari sales in Paris has been Mr. Arthur Hind, of Utica, N. Y., and there has been a gratified feeling in Britain, that is among philatelists, that the rarest and finest gems among American stamps should return to the land of their origin.

The possibility of their return now rests on history alone. Had America—the United States, if you please—not taken a certain step and attitude in 1917, it is a million dollars to a hayseed, that all those stamps of the old postmasters would not have come back to America.

If Mr. Hind lived in a country where a man received titular honours, he would be certain to receive a peerage. And he deserves it for wresting the prizes of American philately from Europe.

France has philatelically repaid the debt to Lafayette, by seizing the great Ferrari collection, and thus giving the opportunity to Philatelic America to regain her lost.

We, in Britain just have one regret, that Mr. Hind secured the British Guiana gem, because, from a National standpoint, we would like it to have come back to the Empire, as we are glad that the best of America's pearls have found haven in the United States.

From the Britisher's vantage, the crude Guianian stamp is but an ally to the history of early nineteenth century days, as the crudest Macon or Marion "Postmaster" of the United States—and Mr. Hind "bagged" them nearly all!

He deserves State recognition.

I would just like to make a few comments on the Paris sale of the rare "Postmaster" stamps of the United States. Many arguments of interest were brought up by the sale. I do not think that all the statements made by the French authorities who described the stamps are correct. True, many dealers of the last thirty years or so knew that M. "Phillip" was once or twice "let in".

A specimen of the Pittsylvania (Va.) was offered as "probably false," yet in keen competition it fetched a quarter of catalogue value, while another with the seller's guarantee brought only about $15.00. It is worth $1,000.00 on the market. Yet the "doubtful" stamp, with the worst definition an auctioneer can make, was knocked down for 2,400 francs, on top of which, according to the conditions of a French auction, the buyer has to pay the auction fees, plus the present State Duty.

The New Smyrna (Fla.) 10c on 5c was described as an error, the only one known. This is hardly correct, as the whole of these stamps show a figure with the "serif" at the lower right hand foot, upside down. The error would be with the correct position of the "one"!

A very interesting item was also sold, in the 5c, "New York" "Post Office" stamp, with the first known example of any postage stamp bearing the title UNITED STATES. This particular stamp was on cover, overprinted by handstamp, in purple ink, "United States."

The Uniontown (Ala.) 2c green on blue stamp would present a proposition to its owner. Used, the stamp is valued at $2,000, unused it is worth umpteen times that amount. The stamp sold at Paris was on original cover, but uncancelled. Thus, a very valuable and unique unused postally used stamp!

Doubtful stamps, or doubtful auctioneers were evidently the order of the day, for a superb corner block of 6 of the 1c blue on pink Official Carriers' stamp of 1851, thought to be an early reprint, had a lucky buyer at 4,000 odd francs, auction fees and Government Duty—and all! But he knew something.

That adds still another subject for discussion. Why these Carriers' stamps are put aside from among the general issues of the United States as "officials" I can never quite understand. But the editor of a catalogue is generally a very conservative sort of person, and does not like outstepping what his previous compeer in office did, unless he has a deal of influence behind him.

The United States Carriers' stamp authorised a perfectly legal "delivery charge", and was the precursor of the "postage dues," but Scott and Gibbons both "side-track" it after the postage dues and after the official stamps—only Yvert & Tellier (the French catalog) giving it its nearly correct place in the catalogue. Its *correct* position is after the 1851-56 issue. I may be wrong, I am only a student of American stamps. Which is so different from being an authority!

Much has been written on the stamps of the United States, and much will be written, and after that there can be much more that could have been written. The subject is fascinating, and I have several times wondered that no American philatelists have started a purely "correspondent" periodical, as we in Britain have our *British Philatelist*, devoted entirely to United States stamps. A general philatelic periodical has to be general in its details, and a poor writer like myself would often like to communicate some item that would interest others of the same mind, but know that the subject would not likely be of general interest, and an Editor must study his reading public.

In the meantime, fellow philatelists, hats off to Mr. Hind, he deserves it!

OFF FOR THE EAST.

Victor M. Rotnem, whose activities as an authority on precanceled stamps, publisher of the *Precancel Gazette*, dealer and collector who specializes in Scandinavian issues, have made him well known, is now at Cambridge, Mass., where he will attend the Harvard Law School. He got his B. A. at the University of Minnesota and will complete his legal studies at Harvard.

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We know that not alone are philatelists beginning to get busy but that the authorities at Washington are on the jump by reason of the co-operation of the free-born American citizen and others in creating that new issue of our stamps. Still they come with suggestions and if composite examples of all the ideas conveyed by the heavy thinkers could be made, the results would be such as to awe the man who says that we have no imagination. The department certainly knows that the yeomanry of the country is behind the proposal that a new set of stamps be issued and with that assurance the engineers of the postal service may yell, let's go.

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That the Malta ten-shilling black, No. 66 in the catalogue, is an elusive stamp has been made apparent to those collectors who have tried to get it, all the way from Malta to home. We have received from Mr. W. Wolseley, a recountal of his experience in trying to bag the stamp that is well worth hearing: "In the year 1919, a ten-shilling Malta stamp was issued on multiple crown and C. A. paper. It was similar in design to the familiar stamp on crown and C. C. paper, showing Saint Paul, the wrecked ship and the viper, except that the new stamp had 'Postage' on one, and 'Revenue' on the other, side of the design. In due time it was catalogued by Scott as No. 66, and priced in the 1920 and 1922 catalogues at four dollars; and in Gibbons' 1920 catalogue, it was priced at twelve shillings and sixpence, equal to about three dollars, then. As I had collected British colonial stamps since 1900, receiving them as issued through one of the largest new issue services in London, I expected to receive a copy of this new stamp in the usual way. But as it did not come that way, I began early in 1920 to make a special effort to obtain a copy. Every time I had occasion to write to any dealer (and I wrote to many in America and Europe) I would casually add: 'Also please send me Malta No. 66, unused.' This brought no result, so in 1921, I omitted the word 'unused' thinking I might get the stamp used. As this brought no result, also, and as I had unsuccessfully looked for the stamp in every auction sale catalogue I had received in 1920 and 1921, I determined last spring to make a new effort. So I wrote letters asking for a copy used or unused, to eight of the largest dealers in New York, to six in Boston, Philadelphia and California, to five in England, France and Germany, and to one in Malta, the home of the hardest-to-get stamp in my experience. Not one of these twenty could then furnish a single copy used or unused. Some time later, I learned from an advertisement in the WEEKLY that a copy had been sold at a stamp auction in Philadelphia for eighteen dollars. If the copy so sold was what a Philadelphia friend of ours would call a 'mint perfection' copy, then the purchaser certainly got a bargain. From my experience, I believe the stamp to be one of the scarcest, if not the scarcest of all the British colonial 20th Century stamps. Can you or any of your readers explain why this is so?"

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In looking over the *Philatelic Record* of Melbourne, Victoria, we find in its columns the information that the first number of the *South Sea Philatelist*, published at Suva, Fiji Islands, has appeared. It is the official journal of the South Sea Philatelic Exchange and Information Club which maintains headquarters in Suva and which are open to members each day and evening. Surely, philately, as an ecstatic writer has it, "is an earth-engirding pursuit, upon whose devotees the sun never sets." In 1880, it was a proud day for the boy collector when he acquired a stamp from the Fiji Islands, as the label established a contact with the cannibal isles, in his imagination. Now the Fijis have a benign aspect and the last touch in refinement is a real stamp club. Glancing at Lord Crawford's literature catalogue, we find that a good many remote places have been represented by stamp publications. Azores, Curacao, Canary Islands, Hawaiian Islands, Malta, Morocco, Tunis and Tripoli are among the countries not unknown to stamp publication fame.

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A letter has been received from a reader who takes the tack of saying that he knows that we dare not publish his strictures in order to goad us into printing it. He is right, however, in saying that we dare not publish his words, as if we did so, we should have a lot of explaining to do. He attacks with hot words a reputable firm because it has published in its journal complete lists of the issues of some of the Neurope countries. Hear him: "If there is any justification of the practice of touting the miserable stamps of ——, for instance, in all their ignominy of senseless small variations, I should like to know it. The game of the publishers is to make business for the dealing end of the concern by trying to exalt falsely stuff that is not worth the paper used in printing it. Collectors who are misled by such unworthy tactics should have their heads examined, as they are little better than the people who make one hand wash the other by stringing collectors and making them think that because some alleged wiseacre puts in a lot of time in listing with a thoroughness that is exasperating the no-account stamps of a country that is out for the coin, the stamps must be O. K." We cannot understand why our correspondent should work himself into a frenzy over something that he admits he cares nothing about. What objection he should have against a detailed list of Ukrainia, for instance, is beyond us. He may skip the compilation and there is no law that compels him to buy the stamps. If the firm that he complains about would publish a studious article on the Trinidad lithographs, he could say that its purpose was merely to sell such stamps. We recognize that many of the Neuropeans rightly are not admitted to the higher precincts of philately, but, taken as a whole, they are more to be pitied than condemned. Nor should we be so provincial as to believe that these new countries do not need postage stamps, as it is our belief that the most insignificant one of them uses more stamps postally than the skeptic believes. Old Time may ironically work around so that the day will come when these somewhat forlorn stamps will be met with philatelic affection from those who are now disposed to give them the cold shoulder. The critic should remember that there is a saying that if he is allowed to collect what he wants to collect, he should not try to influence others not to collect what they want. We grant that all is not still under the surface of the philatelic waters and that shrewd selling plans are hit upon, but we have faith in most of the dealers that they would not with malice aforethought stultify themselves for the sake of a few dollars, or, for many of them, for that matter. The fair recordof years is not washed away in a minute's time; and we are afraid that if apparent motives were analyzed too closely, there are few that would not be under suspicion.

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Here is the statement of a gentleman who from the cold facts that he presents would be suspected of being a mercenary soul, but on the contrary, he is a stamp-lover who sees sentiment in his stamps. He is the sort that sends in the statement of some writer to the effect that the average American is a dull fellow who has no idea that any other country than his is in existence with the notation, "not if he is a collector." He says that if he had invested $2,000 in stamps in 1880, based on prices in old auction catalogues, he would have over $25,000 in stamps to-day; and moreover, he says that he has been conservative in his calculations because if he had bought only five and ten cent, 1847, New Yorks, and other early U. S. on the same basis, "my figures would seem fiction."

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1	Belgium, 10c 1849, excellent	2.50
2	Belgium, 20c 1849, good	1.15
76	Bolivia, 2B 1901, superb	.50
38	Chile, 30c 1899, superb	.20
78	Chile, 1p 1905, magnificent, cat. 2.75	1.35
111	Chile, 5 pesos 1911, fine, cat. 1.00	.55
112	Chile, 10 pesos 1911, fine, cat. 1.50	.85
86	China, $2.00 1902, fine	.55
*160	China, $5.00 1912, mint, cat. 7.50	4.00
192	China, $2.00 1913, fine	.28
193	China, $5.00 1913, good, cat. 2.00	.85
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*39-51	Corea 1903, complete, mint	10.00
135	Dominican Rep., 2c on 50c, good	1.85
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1	Dutch Indies, 10c 1864, good	4.00
6	Finland, 5p 1866-67, good	1.50
7	Finland, 8p 1866-67, fine, cat. 2.50	1.65
45	Finland, 10M 1889-90, fine	1.00
36	France, 5fr 1863-70, average	5.00
1	Germany, T. and T., ⅓sgr 1852-58	1.65
*128	Guatemala, 25c on 75c, mint	.35
*131	Guatemala, 25c on 150c, mint	.40
6	Hanover, 1-10th 1851-55, cat. 5.00	3.00
* 34	Hawaii, 18c 1864, no gum	.30
* 64	Hawaii, 25c 1893, mint	.65
136	Hayti, 1pia, 1906, superb, cat. 2.00	.70
173	Hayti, 1pia 1913, superb, cat. 2.50	.90
1	Netherlands, 5c 1852, fine	1.50
2	Netherlands, 10c 1852, good	.45
3	Netherlands, 15c, very nice	5.25
4	Netherlands, 5c 1864, fine	.80
5	Netherlands, 10c 1864, superb	.20
106	Netherlands, 2½gld 1913, superb	.60
1	Norway, 4s 1854, fine	3.75
1	Norway, 4s 1854, average	2.85
* 60	Nyassa, 300r 1911, mint	.28
1	Oldenburg, 1-30th 1852, good	1.90
*203	Panama, 2½c 1913, mint	.30
*115-119	Paraguay, peso values of 1907 issue, mint, scarce	5.00
*137-145	Paraguay, peso values of 1908-10 issue, mint, fine set	8.00
*377	Paraguay, 30c yellow, cat. 3.50	1.25
*380	Paraguay, 60c ultra., cat. 3.50	1.25
211	Philippine Is., 2p 1898, fine	1.25
273	Philippine Is., 4p 1911-13, fine	.30
17	Portugal, 5r 1866-67, fine	.55
7	Prussia, 2sg 1857, good	3.00
8	Prussia, 3sg 1857, average	1.00
25	Russia, 30k 1868-71, good	.60
374	Salvador, 1c 1909, fine	.50
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155	Siam, 10bahts, fine	3.25
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267	Turkey, 25pi, 1913, very fine	.65
268	Turkey, 50pi 1913, superb	1.00
157	Uruguay, 50c 1901, fine	.30
158	Uruguay, 1p 1901, superb	.55

BRITISH COLONIES AT EXCEPTIONALLY LOW PRICES.

Same remarks apply here as mentioned above.

Scott's No.		Our Price
2	Antigua, 1p 1863, good	1.25
15	Antigua, 4p 1882, fine	.80
21	Bahamas, 4p 1882, good	2.00
50	Barbados, ½p 1875-78, fine	.35
51	Barbados, 1p 1875-78, fine	.22
5	Bermuda, 3p 1873, average	1.50
149	Br. Guiana, 5c 1898, fine	.40
* 42	Br. Honduras, 24c 1891, mint	.80
* 47	Br. Honduras, 25c 1895, mint	1.65
4	Cape of Good Hope, 4p good	2.25
5	Cape of Good Hope, 6p good	7.25
62	Cape of Good Hope, 3p 1902, scarce	.50
20	Ceylon, 5p 1861, fine	4.15
96	Ceylon, 5c on 64c, good	.75
* 24	Cyprus, 6pi 1882, mint	1.10
5	Dominica, 1p 1877, fine	.75
*202	German East Africa, 1p 1916, mint	.35
* 4	Gibraltar, 2½p 1886, mint	2.00
* 8	Gilbert and Ellice, ½p, mint	.17
20	Gold C ast, 2sh 1884, fine	.75
2	Great Britain, 1d black, good	1.00
3	Great Britain, 2d blue, average	2.00
98-107	Great Britain, 1883-84 issue, nice set	5.25
53	Hong Kong, $1.00 on 96c, fine	.75
70	Hong Kong, $1.00 1903, fine	.80
85	Hong Kong, $1.00 1904, fine	.40
46	Jamaica, 6p 1905, good	.60
68	Jamaica, 1sh 1912, fine	.12
* 22	Lagos, 6p 1884, mint	1.00
5	Leeward Is., 6p 1890, mint	.45
* 18	Leeward Is., 1p on 6p, mint	.40
* 3	Malta, ½p 1863-74, good	1.00
* 24	Malta, 2½p 1903-4, fine	.80
*118	Mauritius, 1R 1910, mint	.75
* 88	Natal, 5p 1902, mint	.65
1	New Brunswick, 3p 1851, average	8.75
6	New Brunswick, 1c 1860, mint	.32
* 3	Newfoundland, 3p 1857, mint	2.50
* 25	Newfoundland, 5c 1866, off center as usual, very scarce stamp	7.00
*202	Newfoundland, $1.00 on 15c Airpost	2.00
*202	Newfoundland, same, comma missing	2.50
69	New Zealand, 5p 1891-5, fine	.22
* 46	Niger Coast Prot., 2½p 1894, mint	.85
3	Papua, 2p 1901-5, fine	.40
3	St. Christopher, 6p 1870, good	.75
4	St. Christopher, 1p 1875, good	1.10
18	St. Christopher, 5p on 6p, fine	6.00
* 10	Seychelles, 12c on 16c, mint	.55
14	Sierra Leone, 2p 1876, fine	1.10
15	Sierra Leone, 3p 1876, fine	.80
12	South Australia, 6p 1859, average	2.00
94	South Australia, 2½p on 4p, good	.15
39	Southern Australia, 1sh 1907, fine	.38
*128	Straits Settlements, 4c on 18c, mint	.18
11	Tasmania, 1p 1857, good	1.25
13	Tasmania, 4p 1857, good	1.10
* 16	Tobago, 2½p 1882, mint	.32
*140	Transvaal, ½p on 3p, mint	.55
279	Transvaal, £1 1904, fine	1.15
65	Trinidad, 1p 1882, fine	.40
66	Trinidad, 4p 1882, superb	.80
55	Turks Island, 5p 1893, good	.50
4	Turks and Caicos Is., 2½p, fine	30
4	Western Australia, 6p 1854, very slight tear and somewhat faded, cat. $50.00, a real bargain at this week's special price of	10.00
* 71	Western Australia, ½p on 3p, mint	.40
* 6	Zululand, 4p 1888, mint	.85
* 8	Zululand, 6p 1888, mint	1.65

UNITED STATES General Issues

Scott's No.		Our Price
	1847 Issue	
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29	10c Black, Washington	23.50
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29	10c Black, on cover, average copy, very special at	30.00
	1851-56 Imperf. Issue	
32d	1c Blue, Type IV	1.50
33	3c Dull Red	.10
36	12c Black	6.00
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42f	1c Blue, Type III	.30
44	3c Rose	.05
47	5c Brown, Type I	8.00
49	10c Green, Type I	2.00
50	10c Green, Type II	1.00
51	12c Black	4.00
53	30c Orange	16.00
	1861 September Issue.	
63	1c Blue	.50
65	3c Rose	.03
67	5c Buff	17.50
68	10c Yellow Green	.40
68a	10c Dark Green	.50
69	12c Black	1.25
71	30c Orange	1.75
72	90c Blue	7.50
	1862 Issue	
73	2c Black	.20
75	5c Red Brown	5.75
76	5c Brown	1.15
77	15c Black	1.75
78	24c Lilac, Shades	1.50
	1869 Issue, Picture Set	
112	1c Buff	1.25
113	2c Brown	35
114	3c Blue	.06
115	6c Blue	2.25
116	10c Yellow	2.00
117	12c Green	1.90
	1870-71, Without Embossing	
145	1c Ultramarine	.10
146	2c Red Brown	.04
147	3c Green	.02
148	6c Carmine	.18
151	12c Dull Violet	.70
152	15c Orange	1.00

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16	10c Red Lilac	..	1.75	1.40
19	12½c Green	..	1.10	.85
20	17c Blue	..	2.50	2.00
	1868 Issue			
21	½c Black	.80	.65	.50
22	1c Brown Red	4.00	1.50	1.25
23	2c Pale Green	3.00	.80	.65
24	3c Red	4.50	.32	.25
25	6c Dark Brown	5.00	1.00	.80
26	12½c Blue	3.00	.80	.60
27	15c Lilac	1.10	.70	.55
	1869-90 Issues			
31	1c Yellow	..	1.50	1.15
32	1c Yellow	.25	.01	.01
32a	1c Orange	4.00	.45	.35
35	6c Yellow Brown	2.00	.22	.18
39	15c Gray	1.50	1.00	.80
44	6c Red Brown	1.00	.30	.25
45	10c Brown Red	2.00	.70	.60
47	50c Deep Blue	1.00	.25	.18
48c	8c Violet Black	2.00	.20	.15
	1897 Victoria Jubilee Issue			
50-60	½c to 50c	6.00	4.25	3.85
60	50c Ultramarine	1.15	.50	.40
61	$1.00 Lake	2.00	1.50	1.25
65	$5.00 Olive Green	..	4.00	3.60
	1897-1908 Issues			
Maple Leaf, ½-10c, compl.		1.75	1.25	1.10
71	6c Brown	.45	37	.30
72	8c Orange	.32	.13	.10
Numeral, ½ to 20c, compl.		..	1.50	1.35
79	6c Brown	1.00	.60	.50
80	8c Orange	.65	.35	30
81	10c Brown Violet	.40	.11	.09
87	20c Olive Green	..	.50	.40
88	7c Olive Yellow	..	.18	.14
King Edw. 1903, 1-50c, cpl.		..	.70	.60
94	20c Olive Green	..	.15	.12
95	50c purple	..	.50	40
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By HARRY E. HUBER.

III. Federation Series, Provisionals, 1902.

Having arranged for a new series of stamps to bear the head of King Edward VII, the Colonial authorities were naturally very desirous of reducing, so far as possible, the large stock of the Victorian series on hand, especially those values for which there was little or no demand, and to this end, 37,200 each of the 4d, 6d, and 7d were surcharged "One Penny". These were apportioned among the Presidencies of the Federation,—12,000 of each being sent to St. Kitts-Nevis. All three values were issued at St. John's, Antigua, on 11th August, 1902, and in the other Presidencies during the following week.

For some unknown reason, two different settings (of 60 subjects each), were made up, one for overprinting the 4d and 6d stamps, and the other for the 7d. The sheets of 120 stamps were broken up, and the margins removed before overprinting.

The setting used for the 4d and 6d was in two lines (caps for initials only), "One Penny", with a thin bar underneath cancelling the original value. Several type varieties occurred, the most important being a tall narrow "O" in "One", on stamps 1, 27, 29 and 40. There is also a broken "e" in "Penny" (48), a broken "e" in "One" (55), and on 17 and 43 of some panes, the bar is missing. Besides these, Stanley Gibbons lists the "One Penny" on 4d with double surcharge.

For the 1d on 7d "One Penny" is in much smaller letters, in one line, with a thick short bar underneath, and the type varieties while more numerous, are of less importance than those in the first setting, i. e.

"nn" in "Penny" raised, — 50, 51, 52, 53, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59.

Second "n" in "Penny" raised, — 54.

"e" in "One" slightly dropped, — 51, 52, 53, 56, 57, 58, 60.

A mixed lot of stamps was used for surcharging — the 6d and 7d are both known from plates 1 (brown gum) and 2 (white gum); the 4d from plate 2 (white gum) only.

August 11, 1902. Federation series, Queen Victoria, Provisionals. Surcharged in black at St. John's, Antigua, "One Penny" and bar (2 lines for 4d and 6d, 1 line for 7d). Plate 1 (6d and 7d), plate 2 (4d, 6d, 7d).

"One Penny" on 4d lilac and orange.
- a. Tall narrow "O" in "One", 1, 27, 29, 40.
- b. Bar missing, 17, 43.
- c. Double surcharge.

"One Penny" on 6d lilac and brown.
- a. Tall narrow "O" in "One", 1, 27, 29, 40.
- b. Bar missing, 17, 43.

"One Penny" on 7d lilac and slate.

IV. Federation Series, King Edward VII, 1902.

An Order-in-Council dated the [illegible] September, 1901, and printed in the *Leeward Islands Gazette,* No. 46, of [illegible] September, 1901, prescribed that [illegible] stamps to be used throughout the Federation "on and after the first day [illegible] January, 1902, or on and after such date as may hereafter be fixed by Order-in-Council" should be of the values [illegible] 1d, 2d, 2½d, 3d, 6d, 1s, 2s 6d and 5s and bear the head of H. M. King Edward VII.

Some time was consumed by De La Rue & Co., Ltd., in making up new keyplates modified as to the effigy of the sovereign, and it was not until September 1, 1902, that the ½d, 1d, 2½d, 6d [illegible] 1s were issued, the 2d, 3d, 2s 6d and 5s following in October.

All values were printed from the [illegible] La Rue (1888 type) Postage & Revenue keyplates, with the head of King Edward VII substituted for that of Queen Victoria, on a plain ground of [illegible] enclosed in an octagonal frame, surmounted by a Crown. In all other respects the design is the same as the Victorian series.

The stamps were printed on Crown CA watermarked paper, comb perforated 14, and the size of sheets, arrangement of marginal lines, and plate numbers exactly the same as for the Victorian series.

Plate 1 was used for the ½d, 1d, 2½d, 6d, 1s and 5s, while from plate 2, supplies of the 1d, 2d, 3d, 1s and 2s 6d were printed. This latter plate differs somewhat in its makeup from plate 1 (2 panes of 60 each), being a larger plate and producing sheets of 240 stamps (4 panes of 60). The plate number appears four times as on plate 1, in the same positions, but only in the top margin of the two upper panes, and in the lower margin of the two lower panes. The sheets of 60 stamps were cut up into sheets of 60 stamps (2 panes of 60) before the duty plate impression was added.

The 4d and 7d values of the Victorian series were dropped, and the 2d, 3d and 2s 6d added. The duty plates used previously were again used, except that new ones were required for the 2d, 3d and 2s 6d. On these values the figures and lettering of the duty tablet are in color on a plain colorless ground, within a hexagonal frame.

1902, Sept.—October. Federation Series. King Edward VII, Postage & Revenue, watermarked Crown CA, perf. 14 comb.

Plates 1 (½d, 1d, 2½d, 6d, 1s, 5s) and 2 (1d, 2d, 3d, 1s, 2s 6d).

½d violet and green, Sept. 1, 1[illegible]
1d violet and carmine rose, Sept. 1, 1[illegible]

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d violet and ultramarine, Sept. 1, 1902
violet and black, October, 1902
violet and brown, Sept. 1, 1902
green and carmine rose, Sept. 1, 1902
6d green and black, October, 1902
reen and ultramarine, October, 1902

Federation Series, Queen Victoria, Remainders, 1903.

ollowing the issue of the King Ed- d series of stamps, the remainders of Victorian series were recalled to St. n's, Antigua. The Crown Agents London were asked to secure offers the stamps, and in August, 1903, the p trade was circularised.

The Crown Agents for the Colonies e been requested by the Secretary of e to ascertain on what terms the un- nentioned obsolete Victorian Postage Revenue stamps, Post Cards, News ppers, and Stamped envelopes which prise the whole stock remaining in hands of the Leeward Islands Gov- ient, could be disposed of.

he Crown Agents, therefore, give the ing stamp dealers this opportunity of ng, before 10th August next, at h price and in what quantities, they ld be prepared to purchase the ps, which, not being demonetised, ot be sold at less than their face e. The stamps are at present in the ny, and, as the dies from which were manufactured have been de- ed, no further supplies can be ed."

he stamps offered were in the fol- ng quantities:—

½d,	111,073
1d,	13,267
2½d,	7,523
4d,	55,165
5d,	21,850
7d,	27,927
1s,	28,163
5s,	13,171

ot receiving the expected response, following circular was shortly after- l sent out by the Colonial Secretary, ing the same stamps minus the 2½d, h had evidently been disposed of in nterim.

"Notice is hereby given that persons de- s of purchasing any of the recalled of Victorian Postage and Revenue ps, may make application to this of- n or before the 15th December next. ications must be accompanied with mittance of one-fourth of the pur- money as a deposit.

e stamps will be sold at 5% in ex- of the face value. No 2½d stamps vailable.

the 15th December, applications be met so far as stock in hand al- and quantities sold will be as soon ssible thereafter handed to the pur- rs in exchange for the balance of urchase money.

By Command,
E. ST. JOHN BRANCH,
Colonial Secretary."

(To be continued.)

MAILING LETTERS IN NEPAL.

An American who resided for some years in northern India tells of an experience at Bhagwalpur. He wished to post four letters to friends in the United States, who are stamp collectors. The letters contained only a few lines explaining that they were being sent merely for the Nepalese stamps they bore. The postmaster refused to accept them. Foreigners, he said, were not permitted to post letters in Nepal, the postal service being only for the use of the Nepalese.

The American argued, but the postmaster was firm, the police and other officials all supporting him. After a long discussion, the American at last persuaded him to let him post the letters and leave it to the government at Khatmandu to decide whether they might be forwarded.

Then the American went into the mud hut office and sat on a low stool, nearly the whole population watching him from the large open space.

The postmaster redirected the letters in Nepalese characters. Then, taking a large sheet of paper, he prepared a full report for the government, the police inspector reading a description and other items of importance about the American, from the "permit." The American was required to declare that the letters did not contain any political matter.

Then came the very serious business of stamping them. The postmaster produced his large wooden stamp box and another containing the date stamp. The postmaster assured his caller that he could not pay beyond Nepal, so the American decided to put one-penny stamps on each and leave the excess postage to be collected on delivery, if ever the letters happened to arrive.

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EDITORIAL.

Many Men—Many Minds.

Within philately, great as it is, are many philatelies—like raisins in a loaf, they all go to make up the complete whole. We can't follow all the fads and fancies even though we would like to. We are told repeatedly that it is the age of specialism and we want to believe it. That is what it should be, but have specialists any right to tell other specialists that they are foolish, or that they are wasting their time on trash? What we like to do is to encourage the collecting instinct, give suggestions as to different collectible objects and methods and ways that others have followed and let the individual follow the lines of least resistance. It is hard sometimes when we have a good stock of duplicates to see our convert buy stuff that we never had any interest in. But the world is big; we are not confined to our own neighborhood or even city. The philatelic press is ready to take our message to the utmost corner of the world and all the way home. Where we lose a customer here there are hundreds to gain elsewhere. Let the idea soak in that this is a world of "many men of many minds."

The Local Club.

We saw a beautiful example of "freeze-out" a few months ago. A prospective member made his first visit to our local stamp club. When he arrived he was all enthusiasm, but when he was asked what he specialized in and replied "Neurope" things commenced to happen. He left before the meeting broke up. He was ridiculed, jeered, made fun of and then given the cold shoulder. He never came back. Oh, yes, we forgot to mention, the leading lights, the officers who nominated and elected each other and who are running the club are early U. S. specialists.

Unsolicited Stamps.

We read a letter the other day from a prominent business man that run something like the following, "I would like very much to join the Blank Society but my experience has been that immediately my name is published stamp dealers commence sending me their approval sheets. I am a liberal buyer of certain things, but not one approval selection out of a hundred contains anything I can use and I haven't the time to be bothered in this way. Besides the practice is contemptible and it aggravates me to the extent that I would not under any circumstances buy of a dealer who would take such undue liberties to secure business." Here is only one of hundreds who would like to join one or more of our national organizations but for this reason.

Unfair.

"Unfair to Organized Labor." You have all seen this in print. We would like to see a list of collectors and dealers published who were "unfair" to the recognized ethics of good business principles that have been preached on through the philatelic press for years and years. Several attempts have been made to publish lists of dead beats, crooks, etc., which is all very well and good, but there are others guilty of misdemeanors which is only another form of crime against philately.

The Dealer.

God bless them individually and collectively. We need 'em. Can't get along without them. Don't want to. But there is just about as much difference in them as there is in old maids and spuds. One class deals in stamps just like the corner grocer. He doesn't act as though he liked his work, and he carries certain staple lines because he thinks he has to. The stuff all looks alike to him. He sees the profit instead of the quality or kind of goods he handles. The goods themselves don't interest him. He'd just as soon handle one country as another just so he can buy them cheap enough and turn them over into profit. To him stamps are nothing more than a commodity to barter, they are objects of sale rather than of interest.

The Other Kind.

Don't you like to meet or correspond with a dealer who knows something about what he is selling and why? Who takes a personal interest in giving satisfaction, who is a collector at heart and shows it and talks it. Are you in the habit of trading with every Tom, Dick and Harry at your local stores for the necessities of life? Or do you give those your trade whom you have learned by experience act as though they appreciated it, that were courteous and accommodating and showed their desire to please, and that invited you to come again? What a difference there is in the store atmosphere and the attitude of the clerks. There are stores that you just feel as though you would like to think of something to buy just for an opportunity to get into this atmosphere. Where there are others that you would not go only as a last resort after trying every other place in town. There are possibly others that you would not buy of even if you had to go without. There is an art to selling stamps just the same as there is to anything else.

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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—It will be recalled that when the rotary coil waste stamps, perforated 11 x 10 reached the public, they were at first in sheets of 170 stamps, that is, they were divided at the line resulting in sheets of seventeen subjects horizontally by ten vertically. It was found that the post offices distributing these had difficulty with such a size and as a result, the Bureau of Engraving & Printing started to separate these into sheets of 100 and sheets of 70. The 1c in this condition was found some weeks back, and the Scott Stamp & Coin Co. now report that the 2c has been located. As these stamps are in long continuous sheets, I cannot understand why they still issue the unusual sheet of 70. Someone has stated that this has been done because the Coil Room works on the basis of 170 stamps to a sheet and this would complicate matters if sheets were accounted for in other ways. It looks to me as if more trouble is likely to result when the clerk has a quantity of the small sheets in stock with the others, and the short changing of the purchaser would not seem unusual.

These same two varieties have been found in sheets with the top and bottom horizontal rows of perforations missing, that is, the perforations usually between the top row of stamps and the margin is not present. Mr. H. W. Porter was the first to call these to my attention, the stamps having been on sale at Washington through the Philatelic Stamp Agent, where they can still possibly be obtained by those interested.

Mr. C. L. Young sends for an inspection a new provisional envelope not heretofore listed.

1920-21, 2c on 3c Provisional Envelope.
Seattle Overprint.
Die A on buff, Size 13, Wmk. 19, L. B.

In a lot of Shanghai overprints just received from Washington, I note that the 3c, 5c and 10c more nearly resemble the first printing than the second printing, which leads me to believe that when the Postmaster at Shanghai returned overprinted stamps for the Stamp Agent that he included some of the first printing in the lot.

Mr. F. O. Selianoff has shown me a copy of the round die cut blue California State Insurance stamp of the $15.00 Denomination. I am not posted on State revenues, but Mr. Selianoff advises that this variety has not been known heretofore.

BRITISH HONDURAS.—The Economist Stamp Co. report the appearance of the 5c blue in the type of the 1912-19 issue of Jamaica. The stamp is printed on script watermarked paper.

CHINA.—The Economist Stamp Co. inform us of the 2c, 6c, 8c grey, 20c and 25c stamps of Hong Kong on script watermarked paper with the surcharge "China".

CYPRUS.—Mr. R. Roberts advises of the 2½ piastre, purple and blue, on script watermarked paper.

The Economist Stamp Co. report the 9 piastres on script watermarked paper.

EGYPT.—We learn from *La Bourse Egyptienne* that the new stamps may be expected in April, 1923. The "Wadinnil" remarks that the decision to reproduce the portrait of a reigning monarch on the stamps of Egypt is a distinct novelty. The design has already been adopted, as well as the colours in certain instances; thus the 15 mils. will be blue, as now, the 10 mils. red, and the 4 mils. green. The Postal Union denominations will appear in their prescribed hues.—*Stamp Collecting.*

ERITREA.—The Economist Stamp Co. advise of the 20c brown orange stamp of Italy with the surcharge "Eritrea" at the base in black.

LUXEMBURG.—Mr. Henry Hooreman sends us the 2c, 3c, 6c, 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 30c, 40c, 50c, 75c, 80c of the Grand Duchess set and the 1, 2 and 5fr pictorial stamps of the 1921 issue with the surcharge "Official" same as on the 1908 official set. Also Mr. Hooreman adds copies of the 25c and 30c of the Grand Duchess set in imperforate condition, which were issued on the 27th of August for the Philatelic Exhibition and were of very limited numbers, only 60,000 of each printed.

MALTA.—Mr. Louis Carabott under date of August 29th, advises that the following values of the Constitutional set have just been placed on sale: 2d, 3d, 4d, watermarked script CA reading down; 2s 6d, 5sh, 10sh watermarked script CA vertical and 1 pound, same watermark reading down. The first three values are 160 stamps to the sheet and the next three 80, while the last value is in sheets of 40.

MOROCCO (*French Protectorate*).—We gather from a Decree dated Rabat 24 Kaada 1340 (July 20th, 1922) that the present trio of aerial mail adhesives is about to be expanded into a quintette, the new denominations (additional to the current 75c blue, 1fr red, and 2fr violet) being 25 and 50 centimes.—*Stamp Collecting.*

NICARAGUA.—The Economist Stamp Co. have shown us the ½c stamp in the type of the 1914 issue in green color.

URUGUAY.—The Economist Stamp Co. submit for chronicle copies of the 1c purple and 3c green in the new design, figure standing on the top of a globe.

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WHY NOT REVIVE OLD DESIGNS?

By STEPHEN G. RICH.

In the rush of suggestions as to wh the forthcoming new set of U. S. stam should look like, and whose featu should appear on the various stam there has been the most curious ta agreement to want an entirely new t of designs. That we may all wi something different from the pres set is clear; but why we should ch after a new series of designs inste of simply reviving the various handso and effective designs of the past is n clear.

Viewed purely as a piece of sta designing, the 3 cents of 1851 is in ma respects one of the finest pieces e turned out in this country. With addition of numerals in the lower c ners, it would make a very effect modern stamp, and printed in the pur that is now traditional for a three-c stamp, it should be handsome indeed.

For the two-cent value my cho would fall without hesitation on eit the "shield" two cents of 1902 or Lincoln stamp of 1909 with the necess figures of value added. The one-cent 1861 is my choice for this value. Fo cents 1894, five cents 1882 or 1857, cents 1869, eight cents 1902, ten ce 1870, 12 cents 1869, 15 cents 1866, a 50 cents 1902 are desirable revivals.

For the values not thus made by vival, I suggest the adaptation of ol designs by changing the values. should like to see the 1, 2 and 3 ce of 1869 revived — modernized if sired—and the higher values of the 18 95 issue.

Doubtless there are many collect and others, who will laugh at the v idea of reviving the old designs at They will say indignantly that we ha enough good designers today to g us still better designs than any we ha had. That may be true; but why sea further for new and untried combi tions in stamp design, when we ha already in the gallery of our p stamp designs, some that are hard deed to improve upon?

Personally I am not convinced that need so large a number of denomi tions as the present issue affords. T 11-cent, 13-cent and 30-cent stamps hardly of enough advantage to warr their continuance.

Just in closing, another idea sugge itself. We don't need a new six-c design: let us have the aeroplane des revived.

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The American Legion will hold its convention in New Orleans during the period of October 16 to 21. The New Orleans Philatelic Club is planning several events of interest for the visiting collectors, but from the looks of things at present, housing facilities will be taxed to the limit, and we have taken upon ourselves to find suitable quarters for those of the Collector-visitors who will know with assurance that they will have a place to be on these dates.

We would like to impress this upon the collectors; that they can be assured of a pick of quarters in the city if they will write to the undersigned about their requirements.

We are also planning a stamp auction during this time, and several hundred lots have already been entered.

—D. H. HARWOOD, 726 St. Peter St.

LOUD LAUGHTER

The design of the special delivery stamp has been brought up to date. The boy pictured in the design will hereafter ride a motorcycle, instead of a bicycle. The motorcycle, postal officials decided, represents more modern and efficient service.

Since the post office department has got the ball rolling, there is no reason why the reform should not be extended to other fields. The man driving with oxen on the seal of Kansas should be changed to the likeness of an agriculturist with a city haircut, piloting a tractor. On the other side should be the sign of Bill White and Henry Allen shaking each other's ears, and of Lizzie Borden's sister delivering a lecture on the guillotine.

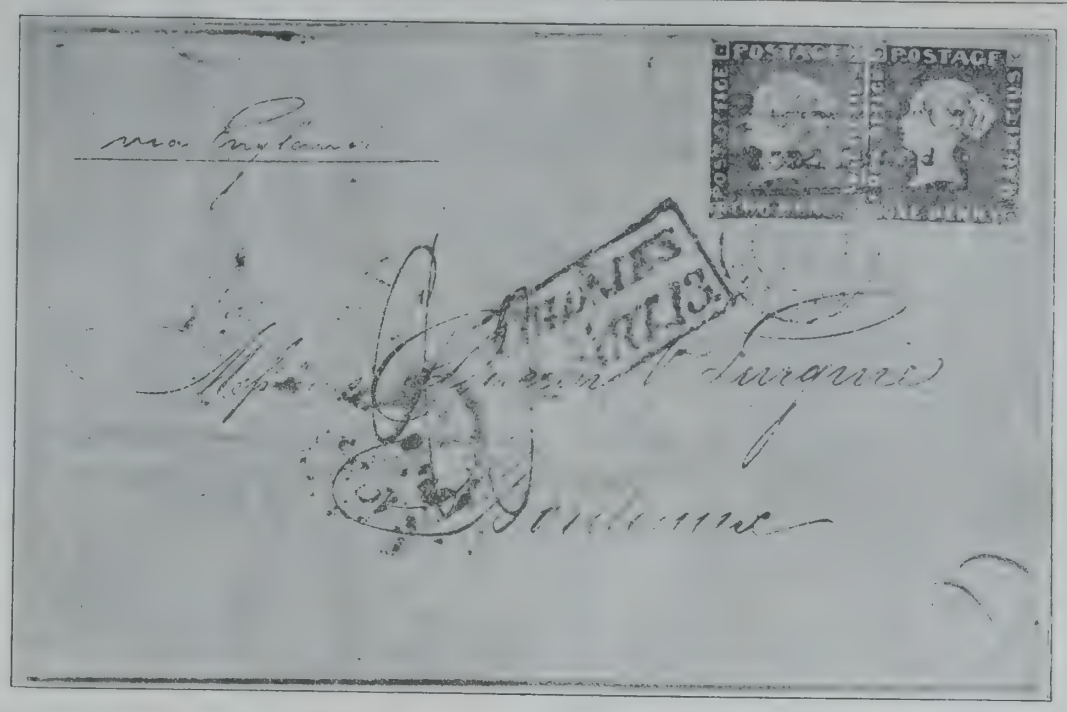
The statue of Liberty should be equipped with bobbed hair and high-heeled shoes. Charlie Chaplin's picture ought to be printed on 1-cent postage stamps, with Babe Ruth's likeness on the 2-cent denominations.

The designs on paper money should be changed entirely. There ought to be a picture in one corner showing a crowd drinking pop bottles at the umpire, and the other corner should show a hearse, labeled "League of Nations," followed by three or four mourners.

The extent to which the reform might be carried has no limit. The title of the national anthem could be changed to "You Yankee Baby," or "I Got the Neurotic Blues." The Declaration of Independence might be rewritten by a free verse expert, while the "Spirit of '76" could be repainted by a cubist.

It is unfair for special delivery stamps to be modernized, while other institutions are neglected. Let the reform spread.

—Kansas City *Journal*.



Rare Mauritius cover, with both one and two penny stamps, property of Mr. Arthur Hind and cost about $50,000.00.

METROPOLITAN PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION.

The annual convention of the Metropolitan Philatelic Association was held in Chicago at the Hotel Sherman on Saturday, September 2nd, 1922. The attendance, while not a large one, was interested in the proceedings which centered about the adoption of a new constitution for the association. Steps were taken to remove points of friction that seem to have developed in the workings of the society and the disposition was shown to begin with a clean slate. The election of officers resulted as follows: president, A. E. Carpenter, Philadelphia, Pa.; vice-president, Col. J. M. T. Partello, U. S. A., Los Angeles, Cal.; secretary, Louis J. Bachand-Vertfeuille, Chicago; treasurer, L. R. Sours, Minneapolis, Minn.; international secretary, Elmer F. Smith, Pontoosuc, Ill.; directors-at-large, A. W. Dunning, Brookline, Mass., and Philip H. Ward, Jr., Philadelphia, Pa. A morning and an afternoon session were held, and in the evening, the delegates were the guests of Mr. J. Liljestrom at the Swedish Glee Club, and it is needless to say that they thoroughly enjoyed the privileges of the club. The committee on credentials was H. H. Bremer, chairman, and Messrs. Liljestrom, Dahl, Nissen and Major.

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The postoffice department is now seriously considering the advisability of a new issue of stamps which shall have distinctive designs for each denomination. The colors of the present issue would be maintained, for these are in accordance with the rulings of the international postal union. But instead of having George Washington in every conceivable shade of red, blue and yellow, we would have the father of our country on stamps of only one denomination, while other worthies of American history would be immortalized on stamps of other denominations.

There is more than an esthetic reason for the proposed change. It is held that postoffice employes, hastily handling mail, are frequently deceived by the similarity of the American stamps, and much mail is carried which is not fully paid for.

Most other nations, including the new nations which have come into existence since the war, make a point of preparing artistic and interesting stamps. The American stamps are unartistic and utterly uninteresting. They are not a good American advertisement. By all means let us have something new, which will save Uncle Sam from being defrauded, show America possesses at least a modicum of artistic taste, and give the stamp collectors something to talk about.

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"By gum," ejaculated Antigua, bursting into the nursery, "John Bull has arrived."

"You can knock me down with a feather," said Nevis, a small but sturdy child.

"I wonder what's up now," drawled Dominica.

John Bull had indeed arrived, and sat long in his study surveying with a rueful face the heavy, albeit receipted bills of his family, and then strong in the thought that he had given them postal education of the best for the past twenty years he quitted his brown study and slowly ascended to the Leeward nursery.

Such an unusual event was only to be greeted with a grave silence as John Bull explained in fatherly fashion that the time had come when they really must arouse themselves and live by their own resources, and be up and doing in six months.

He paused to allow the words to sink in, and the clock to strike eighteen-sixty.

"But me no buts, for Jamaica over the way will give me expostulations more than enough," and with that John Bull vanished.

Antigua was the first to recover and began to trace pictures of the Queen's head on the wall, Nevis was also soon busy with designs, but Dominica selected the best arm-chair and went to sleep, and left St. Kitts to stroke his chin and stride the room humming and hawing.

In the corner the Virgins, the ugly ducklings of the Leeward family, were distraught and clung tightly to each other, but Montserrat, with the greatest nonchalance, went about whistling with his hands in his pockets, "Cut off with a shilling."

In six months had you passed the old Home of the Leewards you could have seen a notice affixed to the portals, "Under entirely new management."

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It was exactly thirty years later that the family reunited to discuss how they had progressed in the world.

Antigua, by virtue of sitting at the head of the table, was the first to speak after a moment's reflection.

"I have advanced since the days of 1846 when my letters between English Harbour and St. John's were taken by the Omnibus Company, and F. Kains, the Post Office surveyor to the West Indies, said, 'I should consider three a week a large average . . . and no respectable person could be found to undertake the duties of Postmaster at English Harbour for less than £10 per annum.'

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"Consequently I started cautiously with one picture of the Queen, and was much assisted by C. H. Jeens, the artist, and Mr. Houghton, of 162 New Bond Street, London; but my packets were very irregular and the Government officials were always worrying me about the insufficiency of my lights and the inadequacy of my harbours, though as regards the lights, we had three lanthorns hoisted on a pole, and what more could one expect."

Antigua paused for a reply, but no one obliged, and he resumed: "You remember what Thomas Price, Treasurer, said in 1854—'Antigua is a cat with nine lives, she somehow always alights upon her legs.' I have some bad times, but you see I have survived them, and I trust (here he bears upon the Company) your record will be no worse. Gentlemen, I give you the health of the Leewards."

It was enthusiastically drunk, perhaps too enthusiastically by Montserrat, who seeing the Virgins were not supplied deputized for them and so managed to raise his glass four times to the Cabbean jewels."

Nevis was the next to speak, and he had added six inches to his waist. He soon realized a good frame helps a good picture, so I borrowed my frames from the Guv'nor. Then the world had to be made aware of my existence and impressed with my importance. (Pass me a clean plate. Thanks!) So I gave them a problem picture. *That* made 'em sit up and take notice. I must say the twelve pictures were set up in simple up fashion. I was a bit smitten with the green shade myself, it was quite THE picture of its year.

"I touched 'em up from time to time adding a thick line here and a cross or vertical one there, and varied the shades; but what really fetched 'em was the trick with the hill."

"The herring-bone touch," suggested St. Kitts.

"The herring-bone touch," repeated Nevis. "The pictures sell well, Yes," added, fingering his eighteen-carat glass, "I may say very well."

"D'ye mind what was the way of the problem picture?" queried Montserrat.

"I left that for the public curiosity but some men called it 'What's your' answered Nevis.

"It's very interesting," replied Antigua.

"I'm a self-made man," went on Nevis, "and you can take it from me that no a good picture is spoilt by the frame and make no mistake, variety is the spice of life."

"Yirra," said Montserrat, "but stick to me rum," and he helped himself from the barrel.

"You'd do far better if you had more variety, Brother Montserrat; the public can't resist it," retorted Nevis.

"Hear! Hear!" said Jamaica from Trinidad from the background, and followed in by courtesy, they were expected the curtest way

It was now the turn of St. Kitts, who rose uneasily to his feet with a furtive look about the eyes and restless fingers perforating his beard. He spoke in rapid but disconnected phrases like a train about to start a long journey.

"I had a fire—a great fire—a real magazine fire—it burnt everything—it burnt the Post Office—it delayed matters—"

"Begorra!" interrupted Montserrat, "sha'nt delay us, we'll take it, it's on."

"It put me out," answered St. Kitts. "I could not make up my mind what to do; when suddenly my eye fell on the

They all gathered round as he produced from his watch-case a piece heavily pen-cancelled, answering to the description of S.G. 15, Straits Settlements, 12c.

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This even aroused Dominica from her slumbers, "Ma foi, quelle horreur! I'm not superstitious, but I'm hanged if I'd start work on All Fools' Day, like Kitts did."

"The fact is," said Nevis on his return, "he's a very neurotic chap, lacks resolution. Never been the same since he lost his control."

"How did it happen?" asked Virgin Gorda.

"He got hold of the scissors, and they so fascinated him that he became a maniac for perforations. Having exhausted operations with the edge of his labels (perfing 12½ to 14, you know) he must needs proceed to cut them up and dole out the pieces. Four years ago he had a bad nervous breakdown from which he has never recovered. In fact, the state of his health gave the greatest cause for uneasiness until carefully diagnosed and recorded in the Red Book by those skilful practitioners, Messrs. Stanley Gibbons, under sixteen heads, as you may see.

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"Have another port, Antigua," said Montserrat.

"They all tell me that," answered Antigua.

"We'll drink to the partnership St. Kitts-Nevis."

"With more Nevis than Kitts," responded Antigua.

Dominica, who was ½ in black and ½ in red, with a fillet round her head, had nothing to say, being fast asleep.

All efforts to arouse her being vain, Nevis put his mouth to her earpiece, "Are you there?"

"Parlez-vous français?" came back the reply.

"A09 speaking," rejoined Nevis.

"Tiens! Eloignez votre moustache en croc."

Consequently, progress was rather slow, but they understood she had made endeavours to produce pretty pictures "like the Virgins," but when she heard they were very costly, say £200 to £250, she thought the Queen's head would have to be adopted.

Yes, she rather thought it was adopted.

But to all other enquiries she had only one reply, "Ask Kitts." And she dozed off again.

All this time, the three Virgins had sat on the sofa with *burèlè* bands under their eyes, a *moirè* resignation on their faces, and nothing in their pockets. It was perfectly clear they were the poor relations. Tortola, the eldest, spoke with very little enthusiasm.

"I don't know how we existed, though we were ready to acquiesce in any ar-

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"Glory be, just to think on't," said Montserrat huskily.

"We struggled on and on, and brother Antigua promised that both we and Montserrat should have the use of his Queen's head pictures. Montserrat got his, we didn't. 'Tis very hard to live. On the demise of St. Thomas we had high hopes of inheriting his shipping, and then we poor Virgins would have had plenty of Mails to take care of, but alas . . . " and she sighed again.

"They said," said Virgin Gorda, with a tear in her eye, "that our pretty pictures were printed by a cheap process."

"My dear girls," burst in Nevis, "you chose such hopeless colours to set off your goods. An angel in red! It *was* a kind of angel, wasn't it? An adventuress, yes; but an angel, No! Even the Modern School couldn't get the public to swallow that."

"The colleen blushed a pretty pink," suggested Montserrat.

"But we had one in green," urged Tortola.

"For shure, it's a good colour," said Montserrat.

"Artistically it's hopeless in this case," answered Nevis.

"And to crown all," added Antigua severely, "you had one in black, when the smallest Cayman could have told you a lady in black, simply courts failure."

"We changed the picture," went on Anegada, "and tempted fortune with fourpence, but the public would not buy them."

"St. Kitts would have invested . . . " began Nevis thoughtfully.

"I know HE would," interrupted Anegada scornfully.

"They lasted fourteen years," said Tortola, choking down a sob, "we had to reduce the shilling picture to fourpence."

"Begorra, so ye had no whusky in yere water," said Montserrat: "Oh, me poor critturs, have a drop o' this," and he held out a tankard of rum-bullion

"Shure 'tis not worritting ye need be. 'Tis Antigua must needs go trapsing round the earth after us, like a landlord after his rint, or like a cat jumping round the tiles. D'ye mind now the way with meself. Give me a peg o' rum and ye can have the pictures. It is the way I should be now if Antigua had not worritted me into having them pictures with the Queen and me name and all upon them; bedad it is not. But Antigua be divil a moment still like Paddy O'Brien's tongue in Sligo. Faith, I'm not after saying agin the way stamp bigot takes to the watermarks, but give me a damp spigot and a drop of rum as them Spanish rascals drank with a degree of desp'ration hardly credible: if I found a shillin' under a stone I'd go and drink it, I would now. I'm after thinking, for shure, Montserrat rum with a dash of lime-juice is a very pretty tipple—a very pretty tipple indeed."

"There's no accounting for tastes," said Nevis drily.

"Shure, my fine bird," replied Montserrat. "The Egyptians had a sacred animal to worship, but mice dread it—'tis all a matter of opinion, though as you live on such a mighty big island with the stamp of drink upon it from its earliest days, you ought to know."

Nevis glanced at him out of the corner of his eye, and when Nevis fixed his eye on anyone it generally hurt; but Montserrat continued unperturbed. "I'll leave ye to discuss me sordid particulars, for methinks it's little charity I'll be having from me kith and kin."

"Oh! don't leave us," said Antigua, striving to keep on peace.

"I'm under orders," said Montserrat, with a twinkle in his eye and looking at Nevis. "I'm under orders to go to Jericho," and he went.

"There's no stamp of respectability and no high value about Monty," grunted Nevis. "Take a plaguey lot of him to make a rich man."

"Well," replied Antigua, "he's straight, with no parlour-tricks like Dominica got up to some six years ago, and he's honest, which is more than . . . than . . ."

"The Seebecks," suggested Nevis. "No one sticks them long, and the North Borneos are barred. Antigua, there's a mighty lot of ne'er-do-wells. Have you met 'em?"

"Yes, I've seen many a gaudily dressed specimen arrive, tongues wag, all rush to see it, some entertain it, some don't."

"The types I hate," said Nevis, warming to his subject, "are those who ape their betters. For instance, they try and imitate me,—same lines, same design, and strive to push themselves into good society. If discovered they call themselves facsimiles of German extraction. Frauds, I call 'em. Pouf! I'd brand every jack man of 'em on the back for all to read 'Forgery.'"

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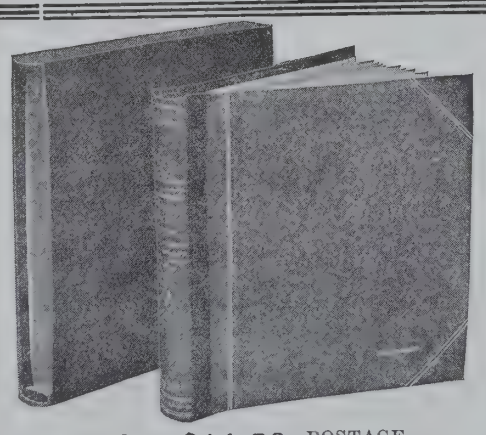

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The collection opens with a representative display of the pre-postage stamp "PAID" franks of various U. S. A. post offices. Several of these came from the collection of the late Ferrari de la Renotiere, amongst them that of Aberdeen, Miss., 1847, with a figure "5" in a star, struck in red, and Eutaw, Ala., 1846, showing the impression of a Sliver dime by way of a frank, also in red.

In the Postmaster's stamps we find the only known copy of the 10c Baltimore, April 5th, 1848, large numerals in decorative border (*vide* Luff's U. S. A.): a complete sheet of twelve of the Providence, R. I., issue 1846 made up of eleven 5c and one solitary 10c; 3c on blue New York City Despatch 1842 used on entire, and many other desirable pieces.

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Engraver's proofs and essays for the U. S. series 1851-60, are a remarkably interesting lot. First we have a proof of the Washington head, without frame, as used for the 3 cents stamp with die number "No. 14" beneath it in olive-green, mauve, blue, ultramarine, orange and red. Then the bust of Franklin, as on the 30 cents, on a sunk mount, in blue, ultramarine, orange, red, lake and green. Next the Franklin head as for the 1 cent in orange, brown, blue, purple and green, and a smaller vignette of Franklin, looking to the right, in a small circle (unadopted) in blue, lake and orange.

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Esthonia, Nos. 205-6 o. g.	..	.10	
Falk. Isl. (War), Nos. 101-2-3 o. g.	..	.35	
Gilbert & Ell. (War)	..	.04	
Gilbert & Ell. Is., Nos. 8-11 Comp.	..	.75	
Guatemala, Nos. 86-87 o. g.	..	.07	
Latvia, Nos. 68-69 o g.	..	.06	
Luxemburg, Dues, 1921 Comp. o. g.	..	.40	
Niue 1920, Pict., Comp. o. g.	..	.65	
North Borneo, Nos. 104-14	..	.40	
Panama, 16 different	2.85	1.00	
Penrhyn 1920, Pict., Comp. o. g.	..	.65	
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3 cents in black. Of the 3 cents stamp as issued, the collection includes a used block of eight, and a strip of six, a pair showing "gash in neck" used on entire; a single copy used in conjunction with the West Town Delivery local, and another with the Blood's Despatch stamp. Also a used strip of six 3 cents pale rose showing the "double line" variety.

Plate proofs of the 10c and 12c 1851, are shewn in pairs, whilst the 24 cents reddish-lilac is represented by a postally used copy. The "Premier Gravures" of 1861 are all present in proof form, whilst there is a notable block of four of the 3 cents (P. G.). Another unusual item in this series is a block of six of the same value cancelled with the French "Anchor" postmark.

Proofs of the 2 cents (Booby head) 1862 are shown in a variety of colours, viz., orange, red, greenish-grey, copper, green and brown, and of the 15c (Lincoln) in both black and blue.

Of the 5 cents brown there is an undeniably *imperforate* used copy, supplemented by an unique pair in the scarce *foxy brown* shade, also in used condition.

The 3 cents 1867 "grilled allover" is present, both used and unused.

Included in the representation of the 1869 series are the original designs on India paper for the 30c and 90c values, the former in black on white and black on green with a picture of the surrender of Gen. Burgoyne, and the latter, in pale rose and mauve,showing Trumbull's portrait of Washington, both adapted to the frame designs as issued. Proofs of the frame only of the 90c with centre oval shaded are shown in pale rose and in blue. These are followed by card proofs in sepia of the 2c, 6c and 12c as issued and of the 24c and 30c in colour, and by Die Proofs of all values in normal colourings.

The series 1873 includes the Continental Bank Note Company's printing of the 24 cents value.

The special issue of May 1873 on "double paper" is represented by the 1c, 2c, 3c, 6c, 10c, 15c and 30c all postally used, and that of June 1875 by the 2c and 5c also used.

In the ribbed, toned paper employed by the Continental Bank Note Co., we have 1c blue, 2c vermillion, 5c blue, 10c brown, 30c grey-black on buff.

Of the 90 cents 1879, American Bank Note Co.'s printing the "Adutt" collection contains used blocks of twenty and fourteen respectively.

A curious variety of the 4 cents 1887-88, printed in sepia, is overprinted "SAMPLE A".

The later issues are all complete as regards single copies, strengthened by occasional pairs and blocks, but otherwise call for no special comment, except for the 5 cents error of 1917, which is shewn in a part sheet of the 2c value.

Throughout the collection the predominant feature is the remarkable range of proofs and essays for all issues, most of which came out of official collections. There is moreover an entire volume bound in leather and evidently prepared for presentation purposes containing a complete collection of die proofs of all issues of United States postage stamps from 1847 to 1902, artistically arranged on grey-tinted sunk mounts.

Another unusual item is a complete set of First Die Proofs of the Newspaper series 1875 on sunk mounts bearing pencil notes by Postmaster-General Barber as to the colours to be used in printing. These, together with some official correspondence relating to the issue, were acquired by Mr. Adutt whilst on a Continental tour, having been hidden away in a dealer's stock for over twenty years.

Amongst the Essays represented in the "Adutt" collection is a series of surface printed atrocities submitted by the American Bank Note Co., about the year 1863 of which the following is a description:—

2c. Indian's head in circle, blue, carmine and mauve.

3c. Head of Columbia in shield composed of Stars and Stripes—black, mauve, carmine, green and blue.

5c. Head of Columbia in solid circle—black, mauve, carmine and blue.

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BENADIR Italian Victory set surcharged "Benadir" ..... .15
CAPE VERDE 1921, Nos. 171, 172, 173*, cat. 50c each. (Each).. .18
1921, 2c on 15c, No. 174* ..... .28
CAPE VERDE 1921, 4 on 10c, No. 175* .60
1921, 6c/100c, used or * .27
CENTRAL LITH. Nos. 1-52 (except Nos. 13-22)*, Nos. 201-222*, 74 stamps, cat. over $3 ..... 1.35
DANZIG 1922, 9M red & orange ..... .10
1922, Aero, 40, 60p, 1, 2, 5m*.. .15
DANZIG 1922, Off., 75,80,1.25,2.00,2.40,4M* .17
What else in Danzig?
EGYPT 1921, Due, 10m blue*, cat. $3 in 1923 catalog 1.10
FAR EAST REP. 1921,2,4,5,10k,Nos.38-41* .25
1922, Above with oval Jub. sur.* 7.00
HUNGARY 1922, 50f, 1, 1½, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 4½, 5, 6, 10, 15, 25, 40 kronen*.. .20
HUNGARY 1922, Off., 10, 20, 60, 100, 250, 350, 500, 1000f* ..... .15
SAAR 1921, 5fr on 25M*, No. 98 ..... .50
SAAR 1922, Values in frs., 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, 75c, 1, 2, 3frs* .90
1922, Official, 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50c, 1fr* ..... .35
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1920, 10, 15, 25, 40, 50f, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 20mk laid paper, cat. 62c ..... .20
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*1912, Nos. 62-64	1.40	1.10	Special Delivery, Nos. 181, 182	.06	.10
1912-14, Nos. 65-79	.66	.30	*Nos. 201-204	.21	.15
1916, Nos. 86-104	3.85	1.50			
*1914, Nos. 231, 232 ...	.11	.10	*1917, Nos. 241, 242 ...	.11	.10
*1915, Nos. 233, 234 ...	.53	35	*1918, Nos. 243, 244 ...	.13	.10
*1915, Nos. 235, 236 ...	.28	15	*1918, Nos. 245-247	.12	.10
*1916, Nos. 237, 238 ...	.14	.10	Dues 1904, Nos. 351-363	.47	.25
*1916, Nos. 239, 240 ...	.11	10	*1918, 8 vars	.31	.15

YE OLDE SOUTH STAMPE SHOPPE
6 MILK STREET, BOSTON, MASS.

10c. Indian's head to right in oval—blue, carmine and mauve.

Another interesting set of Essays, circa 1866, shows the Houdon bust of Washington in an arched panel, flanked on either side by *fasces,* and surface printed on the reverse side of gold beater's skin, denomination 3 cents, in black, carmine, mauve, brown, green and blue. There is a strip of five of the 3 cents mauve, a block of eight of the 3c green, and six of the 3c brown.

A striking essay for the 3 cents 1851-60 has the head of Washington, inclined forward, in an oval frame, with a row of six stars above and below, and the figure "3" in a small oval, four times repeated in the frame. Impressions of this design are shown in rose, orange, lake, black and yellow ochre, both in singles, pairs and large blocks.

Some finely engraved Essays (without expressed value) by the American Bank Note Co., have the head of Washington displayed upon an engine turned ground, with the letters "A B N Co" in the four corners.

One of the 150 sets of current U. S. stamps overprinted "Universal Postal Congress" in blue at the time of the Washington Conference of the Union Postale Universelle in 1898 provides yet another out of the way item in the collection.

The unique series of Confederate Postmasters envelopes from the Ferrari collection is of particular interest and should help to solve some of the problems surrounding these emissions. Of special interest is the 5c envelope of Columbia, S. C., bearing in addition a 5 cents adhesive stamp of the Confederacy.

Enlarged reproductions in colour of all values of the Confederate series 1861 make an attractive form of "Grainge rising" this portion of the collection, as does also a portrait of Frank Baptist, who was detailed from Parker's Light Artillery for duty at Messrs. Archer & Daly's printing office, where he printed the 5 cents blue stamps from the original plates constructed by De La Rue & Co.

The concluding item of the collection is an essay in rose and black, on glazed card, for a 5 cents stamp of the Confederacy, representing a beautiful female head, enclosed in a circular frame.

Within the confines of these Notes it has been impossible to do more than outline very briefly the scope and character of the "Adutt" Collection of United States Postage Stamps, which bids fair to rank, in due course, with the famous collections of the day.

STAMP COURTESY..

By A. Atlas Leve

Stamp Courtesy! Just what the two words imply. Let us be courteous to our stamps. Treat them nicely and it will repay one a thousand-fold. The collector who picks up or turns over a stamp with his thumbnail will eat soup with a knife. Stamp tongs or tweezers are great and useful articles and absolutely indispensable to a real stamp man. A real collector never touches his stamps except when mounting them in his album. A perfect stamp in all details is a work of art and should be treated so. I have seen rare stamps that looked as if their various owners had used chewing gum to mount them and monkey wrenches to pick them up with. Handle your stamps carefully all the time.

Then there is the matter of hinges. Use peelable hinges. There are some hinges that could be used for shipping tags. No stamp should be hinged so as to allow the perforations to get bent over, eventually these perforations will break off. It is wise to remove old pieces of hinges. I have taken some pretty solid chunks of paper from stamps composed of five or six hinges. The hinges that are made with a heavy, thick glue, should be shunned. It is far better to wet the hinge with your finger tip than the tongue.

Approval Cards. A nice invention, but these cards are the real cause of fine tears and broken perforations. If you receive any approvals on cards be very careful in replacing the stamps. The sharp edges of the pockets will cut a stamp or turn a perforation very quickly. Raise the pocket very carefully when inserting stamps.

As a rule both collector and dealer are slow in their correspondence. Of course there are dealers who have a tremendous mail and their system requires time; but when a dealer absolutely ignores a request from a collector, he, the dealer, injures Philately. On the other hand the collector who ignores the dealers' request for the prompt return of approvals also injures Philately. Credit is the very life of business, but credit has its limits. Be courteous, Mr. Stamp Man. It pays.

Stamp Courtesy also requires that a selection sent on approval should be returned within ten days. Leading dealers are beginning to shorten that time to three and five days. Fine stamps are scarce and the demand is great. I know collectors who carry approvals in their pockets for days. It isn't fair to all concerned. Then there are the collectors, and serious ones, too, who return valuable selections in the ordinary r... others who do not protect appr... books carefully in mailing and ... others who mark and fold and soil ... proval books to the extent that ... stamps have to be remounted. I ha... case where the collector walked ou... the post-office and opened some of ... approval books in the rain. I salva... the unused stamps for postage.

Stamp Courtesy means everything ... the real collector. He appreciates ... ceiving a registered letter franked ... high or odd value stamps. He also ... preciates a neatly addressed enve... with the stamps nicely canceled. Sc... times a courteous word to the regi... clerk will save the "cover" from ... "shoe brush and hammer." Cours... pays. Some dealers answer every ... quest if it takes weeks to do it. ... Philatelic Stamp Agency in Wash... ton is simply a great illustration ... Stamp Courtesy by the government. ... pays both Uncle Sam and the colle... and costs practically nothing. I'll ... to quit now for Courtesy's sake.

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

—We have received a half-dozen sp... mens of advertising cancellations f... Louis V. Steinkamp. The new ... submitted are:—"Electrical Show, I... caster, Pa., Oct. 18-19-20-21, 1922" ... "Dedication Ohio Stadium, Oct. 21, 19... from Columbus, Ohio.

—Frank H. Trafton has removed f... Atlanta, Ga., to 108 S. 17 St., St. Lo... Mo. He will soon be heard from in ... advertising columns.

—Allen H. Wright informs us of ... appearance of a new advertising ... cellation from Pomona, Cal. It read... "Los Angeles Co. Fair, Pomona, Ca... Oct. 17-21, 1922".

—Little Rock, Ark., has issued an ... vertising cancellation as follows:—"... kansas State Fair, Little Rock, Octo... 9-13, 1922".

—Frank A. Goldsmith has shown ... the following:—"Tri-State Fall Fe... val, Oct. 21-Nov.4, 1922, Covington, K...

—We have previously referred to ... combination first and second class en... opes, the use of which is now permi... by the P. O. Department. C. L. Cl... fant sends us one used by a Kansas C... Mo., firm. The large second c... envelope bears stamps precanced ... KANSAS CITY and the lower part ... the envelope has a pocket upon wh... is a label "First Class Mail" and ... portion is stamped by a regular 2c.

—F. E. Wilson, the Birmingh... dealer, is attending the International ... hibition at Geneva, Switzerland. ... dates were from Sept. 3 to 12. A c... of greeting at hand is a handsome sou... nir, consisting of a specially prin... card, upon which are two Swiss stam... cancelled with a special Geneva Exp... tion postmark. In the upper left ha... corner of the card is a reproduction ... the original colors of the 5c black ... red Geneva issued in 1848. In the lo... left corner is a poster stamp upon wh... is pictured the 10c black and yel... green of 1843. The label is also prin... in the colors of the original stamp. ... in all it is quite a curiosity.

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te how particular you are as to con- , as everything hinges on condition days.
. CARTER, ELKHORN, WIS.

Through an oversight the article to Buy Stamps," by L. H. Brig- appeared on page 474 in last week's of the WEEKLY without due credit given *The Haversack*, from which s reprinted.

Arthur W. Line has shown us an , O., advertising cancellation read- "Make Akron Safe—Cross Cross- Cautiously."

Mrs. E. W. Oughtred, formerly 376 mont Av., Westmount, Quebec, l now be addressed Box 242, Sta. ontreal, Que.

In the current Russia series many s of the 1909-12 design are being with changed values which are as s:—1k, 100,000r; 2k, 20,000r; 3k, r; 4k, 40,000r; 5k, 50,000r; 1r, r; 7r, 70,000r. All both perf. and . The present rates for foreign re 450,000 rubles for letters and 0 rubles for postcards."—C. R. RD.

THE C. P. A. CONVENTION.

annual convention of the C. P. A. Winnipeg, Wednesday, September called to order by Pres. A. H. land, who outlined the splendid ss made during the year, referring icular to the remarkable increase nbership, thanked the officers for o-operation, and expressed his re- t being unable to again accept ation.

reports of the officers were read cepted. Some discussion developed nection with Scott's Catalogue, the tion deciding that it would not be antage to again supply catalogues members as was done last year.

following officers were elected:— Fred Jarrett, Toronto; Vice Pres., L. Pratt, Winnipeg; Sec., Frank mpson, Winnipeg; Treas., Nor- R. Hendershott, Newbury, Ont., rs, Harry J. Couch, and George ert, of Winnipeg, S. J. Haskell, nonton.

Board of Directors was author- revise the Constitution. 128 bal- re cast. A verbatim report of the ion proceedings will be published Year Book. Twenty-five members ed at the convention. Amongst own out-of-town visitors present r. L. L. Reford, Montreal, E. A. Saskatoon, and Wilbert E. Lake, .

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THE POSTAGE STAMPS OF BELGIUM.

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CHAPTER XXV.

The Liege Commemorative Stamp.

In the series of stamps issued in 1915 no value was dedicated to Liège though the martyred cities of Ypres, Dinant and Louvain were fittingly commemorated This omission was rectified on July 21st, 1919, by the issue of a special 25 centimes stamp for Liège printed from line-engraved plates. The stamp is upright oblong in shape and shows as its centre-piece a representation of the historically famous Perron fountain, the origin and purport of which is explained in *Stamp Collecting* as follows:—

"The Perron is an antique fountain, the origin of which goes as far back as the heroic times of the City of Liège's history. Under the Frank's invasion, justice was applied at the foot of a perron. From the year 1050 it started or, rather, continued to be used as a type for all Liège money. The letters 'L. G.' have been interpreted in different ways; tradition gives it to be *Libertas gentis;* some say it means *Legia* or Liège, also *Libertate gaudens, Lesdienses gradus, Libertatis gradus,* and at last the word written on the plan of Liège which accompanied Guicciardin's voyage—*i.e.* Lie-ge separated by the perron.

The perron was the symbol of Liège federalism. There was another one at Visè and at all the best-known places of the principality. The perron appears for the first time on coins under Hugues de Pierrepont (1200-1229); it was to him a distinctive mark, and he even used it as a secret mark."

To continue with our description of the design: the perron is enclosed within a handsomely engraved frame inscribed "BELGIQUE" at top and "BELGIE" at foot while on circular discs on each side, level with the top of the monument, the value is shown in uncolored numerals above a small letter "c". Below the monument is the name of the city in French and Flemish, viz.:—"LIEGE—LUIK".

The stamp is printed in blue on wove unwatermarked paper and is found perforated 11½ on all four sides as well as 11½x11, both gauges being the work of single-line or guillotine machines. It has been asserted that this stamp was engraved and printed by Waterlow Bros. & Layton of London but as its paper and perforation correspond with the same details in the Victory issue it appears much more probable that the label was produced at Haarlem, Holland, by John Enschède & Sons and later printed at the State Printing Works in Malines.

The stamps were printed in sheets of 100 arranged in ten rows of ten and apparently several plates were used, the plate number being engraved in the lower margin below the sixth stamp. We have seen plate number 3 and a correspondent informs us he has plate number 1. Like the other engraved stamps the letters "C C" are perforated in one of the margins and the usual control mark "DEPOT 1919" is also stamped on the margin of each sheet.

The stamps perforated 11½x11 are said to be taller and narrower and deeper in color than those perforated 11½. Evidently these differences are characteristic of the Haarlem and Malines printings.

REFERENCE LIST.

1919. Engraved and printed by J. Enschède & Sons, Haarlem, Holland, and later printed at the State Printing Works, Malines. No wmk. Perf. 11½ or 11½x11.

25 centimes, blue.

CHAPTER XXVI.

The Re-drawn 5 Francs.

In May, 1920, the 5 francs value of the 1915 series was issued with the Flemish word under the numeral at top reading "FRANK" instead of "FRANKEN". Why this alteration was made we have been unable to discover unless "franken" was too German sounding to please our Belgian friends. Evidently the original die was used and the alteration in the word also resulted in a little retouching in the surrounding ornamentation. This re-drawn stamp was apparently printed in London like the original type for it is printed on the same sort of paper and has the same 14 perforation.

REFERENCE LIST.

1920. Type of 1915 redrawn. Printed in London by Waterlow Bros. & Layton. No wmk. Perf. 14

5 francs, deep blue.

CHAPTER XXVII.

The New 3c and 65c Stamps.

In August, 1920, a new 65c stamp was issued, and while this was primarily intended for use in connection with the Express letter service it also served to pay the combined registration and postal fees on foreign letters. The design was described in *Stamp Collecting* as follows:—

"It is transverse oblong in format, with a view of the exquisite Town Hall, Termonde, a town which was the theatre of desperate fighting during the first fortnight of September, 1914, but whose destruction was not due to any battle. It was deliberately smashed to pieces by the German invaders because the fine levied upon it was not immediately forthcoming. Of all the Belgian cities, the fate of Termonde was perhaps the direst, for almost literally it was levelled to the ground: As at Louvain the houses were first sprayed with paraffin by soldiers, who perambulated the streets with oil-carts and hoses. This latest Belgian stamp is therefore an essential item in the philatelic history of Teutonic vandalism."

The picture of the Town Hall is printed in black and the surrounding ornate frame, which is in maroon, shows the numerals "65" on circular discs of color in each of the four corners, while at top is "BELGIQUE" and at base "BELGIE," both names being in uncolored letters on a ground of crossed lines. Below the picture "TERMONDE" and "DENDERMONDE" (its Flemish equivalent) are shown in tiny capitals.

The stamp was engraved and printed by J. Enschéde and Sons, at Haarlem. Holland, at first, and then, later, at the Belgian State Printing Works at Malines. The Holland prints were in small sheets of twenty-five (five rows of five) and one of these small sheets was discovered at the Central Post Office of Ghent with the central vignette inverted. It is said that most of the sheet was sold before the error was discovered so that the few existing copies are among the rarest of the world's inverts.

New plates were made when this value was printed at Malines these containing one hundred stamps arranged in ten rows of ten. There appear to have been two distinct printings varying both in paper and ink. In one the paper is white and the color of the frame does not show through at all, while in the other the paper is greyish-white, rather greasy looking, and the ink is aniline and shows very distinctly at the back.

The perforation on all we have examined is 11x11½ but it is possible that the Haarlem prints may also be found perf. 11½ only, as in the case of other values produced in Holland.

On November 1st, 1920, the postal rate on inland letters was raised to 20 centimes and the rate on printed matter, other than newspapers and periodicals, was raised to a minimum of 3 centimes. This resulted in the issue of a 3 centimes stamp in the type of the King Albert series of 1915, this new value being placed on sale in January, 1921.

Whether this value was printed in London, or not, like the others of the same type, we cannot say. The perforation is the same but the impression is

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We have had word that the new issue of United States stamps is impending and that it may be expected at any time. Certain of the designs will be of no ordinary kind, if we are to believe our informant, who says that a picture of Niagara Falls will appear on one of the stamps. Naturally, a new issue of stamps always creates a burst of interest in this form of certificate and the preliminary news of the issue has whetted the interest of the public in the new set.

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In Great Britain, a competition has been approved by the philatelic congress of Great Britain for the best study of the question, "How Best can Interest in Philately be Stimulated?" A silver vase, with an engraved tribute to the successful contestant will be awarded at the next congress "or at the banquet terminating that Congress." The papers may not exceed 7,000 words in length nor be under 3,000; and it is directed that they be sent under the pen names of the writers, who, to qualify must be members of any affiliated society, "members of Congress and philatelists whose names are inscribed upon the Congress Roll of Distinguished Philatelists." This contest is wholly apart from the "Congress Cup" competition, an annual feature of the congress programme. The thought of this contest is somewhat captivating. No other subject could yield greater results under discussion than the one selected, and we are glad to see that a short-cut is taken to the heart of a question always of vital concern. In fact, we are aware that even those collectors who have rather held aloof from the practical operations of philately, have latterly recognized the necessity of bending effort to propel the pursuit forward. It is self-evident that philately must be sustained by an increasing number of followers if it is to progress; and hence, "How Best can Interest in Philately be Stimulated?" is an epitome, in the answer to the question, of all that affects the material well-being of collecting. Specific information on the means for stimulating interest are not to be glibly given, if it is to command attention and action; and so, we cannot imagine that the winning paper in the competition will not be a document of lasting importance to our pursuit, as a result of its sage and sound presentation of the subject.

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It is interesting to notice how close the people of our country feel to the postage stamps; and as proof of this intimacy, it has been shown that the citizenry rose to the occasion when it was announced that the authorities were contemplating a new issue of stamps and that suggestions for designs would be welcome. We have told of the volume of correspondence engendered by the proclamation and the reference to the free-will offering has stirred an old employee of the post office department, who had a hand in the selection of the designs for the Trans-Mississippi or Omaha issue of 1898, to write us to say that upwards of one hundred actual designs were submitted by outsiders, as he remembers, by the first of the year, 1898, when it was understood that there were to be but five stamps in the set. He says that one of the most effective samples was one of a series depicting famous western scouts. This design was practically decided upon, he says, but in some way was withdrawn. He adds that about the first drawing accepted was that showing the buffalo, which was assigned later to the four cent stamp.

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The second assistant postmaster general has served notice that the "foreign postal agencies in China are due to be withdrawn by the close of this year." Especial reference is made to the Shanghai agency, for many years an institution of some importance; and on and after November 1, 1922, all mail matter originating in the United States for delivery in the city of Shanghai will be subject to international postage rates and conditions. The passing of the Shanghai agency maintained by the United States, will arouse a few sentimental thoughts and in a philatelic sense, a source of supply of the high values of the current U. S. stamps will be removed, as a number of Shanghai exporting firms, with connections in this country depended upon the post to convey their heavy mail to the United States.

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An inquiry has been received from a reader who wants to know why he never sees or reads of the big newspaper stamps of the 1865 issue in used condition. The answer is, that canceled stamps of this issue are very scarce and a genuinely used copy with its brush marks in blue or black ink, while not a thing of beauty, is almost a white black bird. The reason for the limited use of the big newspaper stamps has never been wholly explained, but it is evident that they did not make any deep impression on the route agents and the news agents in their handling of packages of newspapers and periodicals that did not originate in the post office, or were not to be delivered to a post office. What was intended to be a convenience for the route and news agents, and a source of some income to the government, failed of its purpose, and the express companies enjoyed the monopoly of the transportation in the manner indicated. The stamps came late in 1865 and in 1867, a stamp paper said that they were to be had regularly only at Chicago. Milwaukee, too, seems to have had the stamps in stock, but the issue of the big stamps was discontinued "about 1869." In his article in *Harper's New Monthly Magazine,* October, 1871, "Postage Stamps and Their Origin," Mr. James M. Chute said: "They were issued October 1, 1865, and withdrawn in February, 1869, having been used only in Chicago, Illinois, and Milwaukee, Wisconsin. As but few of our readers have probably seen these gems of postal art, we give an engraving of the lowest value." We have an idea that the big newspaper stamps are due for special attention at the hands of a student here and there, and it is possible that interesting particulars about the four stamps will be revealed.

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We believe that the postal authorities, knowing the news value of much that pertains to the postal service has for the people generally, is sending out to newspapers in different sections of the country, accounts of the later developments in the methods of mail handling and transportation. We commend the disposition of the administration to create a proper regard for the great institution that is built on the postage stamp, and trust that the matter that is distributed will be given the setting that it deserves. From one of the articles, inspired by Washington, we suppose, the following paragraph is quoted: "Another labor saving device is that of pre-canceled stamps put up in coils to be used by large mailers. Heretofore, large concerns have purchased coils of uncanceled stamps which were placed on outgoing mail by stamp fixing machines. The large bundles of mail were very frequently delivered at the post office during rush hours and had to be run through the canceling machines which caused delay not only of that mail, but of all mail. Under the new device, the large purchasers of stamps will buy precanceled stamps so that when their mail reaches the post office, it is ready for immediate delivery."

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8c used	.16;	10c used	.25
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By W. E. HUGHES.

The perennial interest in the stamps of Malta, that island jewel of the Mediterranean, has been quickened of late by the overprinting of current issues with the words "Self-Government". The granting of Self-Government to this loyal people is no small matter to them. It is the sign of their arrival at a definite and advanced stage on the road to political freedom. Previously they had been governed by a council, partly nominated and partly elected; but now they are a self-governing community among the free nations of the British Empire, and the sturdy and patriotic Maltese realize what a proud privilege this is. That they should want to mark such a striking event in their history was only natural, and the quick-witted islanders knew that the best and widest-flung advertisement of their new status would be found in the all-penetrating postage stamp. As the mark of sovereignty, the postage stamp has taken the place of the coin. The conqueror of old chronicled his domination by having his name and features depicted on the current money of the realm, but to-day it is easier and more effective to overprint the postage stamps of the prostrate foe. In a way, it makes defeat more bitter. In the case of Malta there was nothing of this. Malta was granted self-government for the best of all reasons—she was worthy of it; and the Maltese people embarked on the stormy seas of political freedom with the good wishes of the whole Empire.

It was originally intended that the new pictorial series of stamps should be available when the Prince of Wales opened the first Maltese Parliament in November last, but this was not found possible, and the Self-Government set was substituted. Even then, it was not until January 12th, 1922, that the overprinted series was put on sale, but it is always possible that the delay was due to the non-arrival of certain values to make the overprinting complete and to avoid the necessity of a resetting of the type.

Their advent caused some excitement amongst collectors in this country and, as it became obvious after a while that certain of the stamps were scarcer than others, I wrote to the Postmaster for information and received from Mr. John Fox, Superintendent of Posts, General Post Office, Malta, the following reply, which, as a courteous enunciation of principles in regard to such matters, and as an example worthy of imitation in other quarters, deserves to be placed on permanent record:—

"General Post Office, Malta.
July 22nd, 1922.

SIR,—With reference to your letter of the 6th inst., I have the honour to state that no postal officials are interested in philately, a pursuit which is discouraged amongst them for administrative reasons.

I am unable therefore to comply with your requests beyond giving on the annexed statement the numbers of stamps of each denomination and character that are on record in this office.

This information is given only on the understanding that you will make it public.—I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

JOHN FOX, *Superintendent of Posts.*
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The figures given in the following list are those on the official statement. The notes are my own.

Maltese Stamps Without Overprint.
1s old wmk., emerald throughout (no record).
1d Script (no record).
Issued January 19th, 1922. (No records).
¼d Script.
½d Script.
2½d Script.
6d Script.
2s Script.
10s Script.
Issued April 15th, 1922.
¼d Script (250,000).
¼d on 2d (250,000).

Overprinted "SELF-GOVERNMENT".
January 12th, 1922.
¼d Script (300,000).
½d old wmk. (378,000).
1d Script (1,080,000).
2d Script (492,000).
2½d old wmk. (21,480).
3d old wmk. (33,000).
6d old wmk. (50,280).
1s old wmk. (78,240).
2s old wmk. (3,240).
2s 6d old wmk. (21,360).
5s old wmk. (17,640).
10s C. C. wmk. (7,860).
January 15th, 1922.
2½d Script (204,360).
January 25th, 1922.
2s Script (15,120).
March 9th, 1922.
10s Script (12,690).
April 19th, 1922.
6d Script (40,680).
April 29th, 1922.
½d Script (290,400).

The ½d old 1d Script, 2d Script, 2½d old, 3d old, 6d old, 1s old, 2s old, 2s 6d old, 10s CC wmk. were all remainders. The 5s old, according to Colonial Office news in 1921, included a new printing, so that the total for this value was probably higher than the normal. The 1d Script and 1s old wmk. had only been on sale a few weeks before they were overprinted.

Stamps Without Overprint. It will be observed that, excepting in the case of the new printing of ¼d Script issued April 15th, no records are available of the stamps without overprint. It would have been interesting to have had these figures, but one would probably not be far out in venturing on the following estimates:—

1s emerald throughout (22,000).
½d Script (210,000).
1d Script (120,000).
2½d Script (36,000).
6d Script (35,000).
2s Script (10,000).
10s Script (7,500).

It will be remembered that the 1s emerald throughout was put on sale about December 14th and the 1d Script about a week later, so that the sale of these two values, prior to the overprinting, is unlikely to have been abnormal. The ½d Script was not on sale overprinted until April 29th, or more than three months after its first appearance. Likewise the 6d Script was not sold overprinted until April 19th, or three months from the date of its first appearance. The 10s Script was on sale without overprint on January 19th, and did not appear among the Self-Government stamps until March 9th, when the last of the 10s CC wmk. had been sold. In passing, one may mention that the 10s CC, before the overprinting took place, were expected to last until September, 1922, so that roughly eight months' normal supply went in as many weeks.

Both the plain and overprinted 3d were sold out February 23rd, and about this time the rate for foreign postage was increased to 3d, so no doubt the traffic was served by a combination of 1d and 2d or 2½d and ½d.—*Stamp Collecting.*

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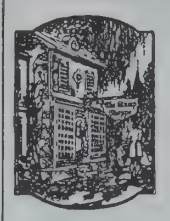

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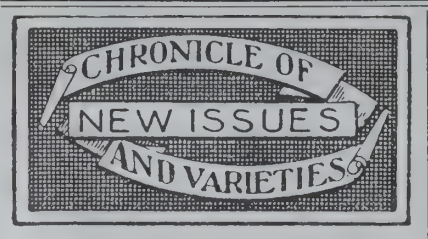

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The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

United States.—Some weeks back, mention was made of the fact tthat 2c stamps from plate 5990 were then in circulation, although the plate was completed many months previous. My investigation showed that this plate had been used as a master plate for making electros and that it had recently been found in the Bureau of Engraving & Printing, and put into use. Many have written to express surprise that electro plates of the 2c denomination had been made, they being under the impression that the 1c plates which recently appeared, were the first and only experiments of this kind. Our readers' attention was called to these 2c plates at the time they were made, but in order to make the matter clear, I would advise that the first master plate used for the purpose of making these altos, or electro plates as they are called, was a 2c plate, bearing number 5990. This plate in no way differed from others of the series. From this, three electro plates were made, bearing numbers 6021, 6022 and 6023. Impressions from the last plate were the only ones to reach the public, and as I have never had the pleasure of inspecting a stamp from this plate, I cannot state if it can be distinguished from those produced by the regular methods.

As I have mentioned before, the 1c cannot be distinguished from stamps from a worn plate produced by the regular method. The master plate in the case of the 1c was 13255, and from this, a number of electros have been made, bearing numbers 13376-77, 13389-90, 13395-96, 13407-412, 13415-16, 13443-44 and 13449-50. Impressions from the first pair of plates have been found both imperforate and perforated 11, and those from the other plates were no doubt put into circulation. The fact that the stamp did not differ from the regular variety is perhaps the reason that quantities were not put aside. No doubt most of the plate number collectors have been so fortunate as to have located other than the first two.

Both Messrs. A. E. Owen and G. G. Ryder call attention to the fact that the Bureau has made an error in the list of plates that we published in our issue of June 10th. Plates 13811-13814 inclusive listed as 2c plates, are shown from the actual stamps to be 1c rotaries of 170 subjects. Mr. Owen also writes that 13675-76 are 1c stamps, rotary printed of 400 subjects instead of 170 as listed.

The Bureau of Engraving & Printing, through its Director, is exceedingly courteous in furnishing this information which takes hours to compile. Under the circumstances slight errors are bound to occur from time to time. We would therefore appreciate any corrections made by our readers, for we are anxious that our information be correct in every way.

Mr. F. R. Demmerly sends for inspection an interesting cover cancelled "San Francisco—Sept—1922." The day of mailing is not clear although it is possibly the 3rd or 4th. This reached Indianapolis and was delivered at 3.15 P. M. on September 6th. On the front we find a red stamped impression, evidently from a metal hand stamp, showing two concentric circles with two wings reading "Received via U. S. Air Mail." Mr. Demmerly writes, "This is the first air mail here to be marked by the post office. Had one mail by air this spring, but not marked to distinguish." We are always pleased to receive information of this kind.

Several letters have been received asking that we publish information regarding the new provisional Shanghai locals overprinted in Shanghai. The information that we published is all available at this time, but we have made inquiry through official sources and hope to have full details regarding the number and circumstances under which they were issued, what firm did the overprinting, etc., at a future date. It must be remembered, however, that it takes three months to bring this information to hand, providing the proper official writes promptly.

We wish to thank Messrs. H. W. Porter, Cecil F. Bogg and D. B. Damon for notes of interest.

Ascension.—The administration of this Island has been transferred from the Admiralty to the Government of St. Helena, and a provisional issue of postage stamps is in preparation, consisting of all values of old type of St. Helena stamps overprinted "Ascension." These will shortly after be followed by a permanent set of the same type as the new issue of St. Helena, but inscribed "Ascension."—*Whitfield King & Co.'s Bulletin.*

Antigua.—Mr. R. Roberts sends us the 1 pound value in purple and black on red printed on old multiple watermarked paper.

Bahamas.—Mr. J. A. Galbraith informs us of the 1d, 2½d and 6d King George type and 1d Queen's Staircase design on script watermarked paper.

Belgium.—Mr. Henry Hooreman and Mr. R. Roberts advise of the appearance of the following additional values in the new design: 1c orange, 3c terra and 30c vermilion.

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ety took exception to certain of the ted designs and protested to the I. G. about them, as a result of h, new and more worthy vignettes e obtained. The series is expected on sale in the course of a few days. *Stamp Collecting.*

ITISH HONDURAS.—Mr. R. Roberts us a copy of a new $2 stamp of the of the 5c mentioned last week on watermarked paper and red lilac r with grey green centre.

NADA.—Mr. Frank Pollard Brown shown us the new Special Delivery recently placed on sale. It is g in shape and has the words ada Postage" across the top in a , while below is "Twenty Cents." een, in three lines "Special Deli- for First Class Mail Only Within Limits." The figures of value are lower corners. The color is red.

INA ON HONG KONG.—Mr. R. ts sends us copies of the 1c brown, een, 6c orange, 10c blue, 20c olive urple, 25c violet, $1 blue and purple ue and $2 grey and carmine on watermarked paper.

RUS.—Under date of the 5th inst. R. Roberts sends us the following of stamps on script watermarked : 10par orange and green, 30par nd green, 1pia violet and carmine, age green and violet and 9 piastre and carmine.

A.—Messrs. Bright & Son advise ey have seen specimens of the ¼a a King George Indian Provisional s with overprint inverted.

VIA.—Mr. Karl Koslowski submits wo values of a new set of stamps is country. They are square in and show the native Arms of the ry in the centre with the name of the country below. In each lower corner are the figures of value, with the word "Rublu" between. The values are 50r brown and 100r light blue.

LUXEMBURG.—Mr. Joseph V. K. Wells calls our attention to the difference in the printing of the current 80c grey of the Grand Duchess type. The recent printing is of a much lighter shade of grey and issued in sheets of 100 stamps, while the first printing was in sheets of 25.

MALTA.—Mr. Louis Carabott in advising us of the ¼d of the new Constitutional set, notes that this is the only value to date that has plate 1. It is printed in sheets of 180 and is of a brown color.

Mr. Louis Carabott under date of Sept. 1st advises that the sale of the 4d Constitutional stamp was stopped that morning. He adds that the color used for the stamps was really "ridiculous."

MAURITIUS.—The Economist Stamp Co. submit for chronicle the 10c grey in the current type, on script watermarked paper.

SWEDEN.—The Economist Stamp Co. inform us of the appearance of a 70o brown on buff in the Crown and Posthorn type.

SWITZERLAND.—Mr. R. Roberts sends us the 5c orange, 10c green and 20c violet in the current type and advises that there are the following varieties: 5c and 10c printed together se-tenant and normal and tete-beche. All are on buff paper.

BELGIUM.

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inferior and the paper of a much poorer grade. The lines of shading on the portrait appear to be a trifle heavier and coarser, the letters "C" in the value tablets are of slightly different shape from those of the 1915 type, and the colored lines across the curved scrolls at each end of "BELGIQUE" no longer appear.

The stamps were printed by typography in sheets of 400 arranged in four panes of 100 stamps each. Around each pane is a broad solid line of color, something after the style of the "Jubilee" lines on British colonial stamps but much thicker and with squared corners.

The paper is white wove and of such a coarse weave that it appears to be watermarked with innumerable small dots.

REFERENCE LIST.

1920. Engraved and printed by J. Enschédé & Sons, Haarlem, Holland, and later printed at the State Printing Works, Malines. No wmk. Perf. 11x 11½.

65 centimes maroon and black.
(a) Centre inverted.

1920. Typographed on coarse wove paper. Perf. 14.

3 centimes black.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

The Olympic Games Issue.

The Seventh Olympiad was held in Antwerp during August and September, 1920, and earlier in the year the Belgian Minister of Posts and Telegraphs decided to commemorate the event by the issue of a special series of three stamps. They were placed on sale later in May and were valid for internal correspondence only. They continued in circulation until the end of October, after which none were sold at the post-offices though they remained good for postage until December 31st.

The stamps served a dual purpose for not only did they commemorate the games but each sold at an advance of 5 centimes above their actual franking value, the extra money thus obtained going to a national fund for the benefit of permanently disabled soldiers.

The designs are handsome and appropriate. The 5 centimes is particularly artistic with its exquisite portrait of a classical thrower of the discus, while the 15c is almost as striking with its nude figure of a runner. The 10c, which is perhaps the least effective of the three, shows a quadriga—an ancient Roman two-wheeled vehicle drawn by four horses abreast. The frames vary in each case, a Greek pattern enclosing the central designs, while in the spandrels of the 5c are Greek scrolls, on the 10c Doric columns flank the central circle, and on the 15c Corinthian columns are shown at each side. The inscriptions are the same on all three denominations. Across the top in two lines we find "VII OLYMPIADE 1920— ANVERS ANTWERPEN", while at the bottom is "BELGIQUE—BELGIE", the value and "POUR LES MUTILES+ 5c VOOR DE VERMINKTEN".

The stamps were engraved and printed in recess by the American Bank Note Company of New York on unwatermarked wove paper. They have the usual 12 perforation characteristic of this firm's production, made by single-line machines. They were issued in sheets of 100 showing the manufacturer's imprint—"AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY"—in small capitals in each of the four margins. Whether they were printed in this form or in larger sheets of 200, divided into two panes, is open to question. We have seen sheets of the 15c denomination showing "A1" and "A2" in reversed letters and figures in the margins respectively, so that it is obvious there were two panes or two plates for this value. On the 5c sheets we have only found "A1" and on the 10c "A2", these also being in reverse, while the sheets of all denominations show in the upper margin "F 6248", this evidently being the manufacturer's method of distinguishing this particular contract.

We understand that a special cancellation was used in Antwerp during the actual period of the Olympic Games, this reading "VIIe OLYMPIADE, Anvers Antwerpen" and having the date in both French and Flemish, the whole being enclosed within a frame of oblong shape.

REFERENCE LIST.

1920. Engraved and printed by the American Bank Note Company, New York. No wmk. Perf. 12.

5c (+5c) deep green.
10c (+5c) rose.
15c (+5c) sepia.

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1c, No. 44	.20	2c, No. 217	.03
½c, No. 52	.03	5c, No. 220	.03
1c, No. 53	.03	10c, No. 221	.05
*2c, No. 58	.30	12c, No. 222	.03
*½c, No. 92	.03	50c, No. 226	.20
*1c, No. 93	.03	3c, No. 234	.02
*3c, No. 95	.08	10c, No. 237	.02
*5c, No. 96	.13	1p, No. 243	.12
16c, No. 100	.05	5c, No. 247	.12
50c, No. 116	.07	5c, No. 281	*.07
*10c, No. 126	.05	*20c, No. 282	.20
*12c, No 127	.20	5c, No. 283	*.06
20c, No. 129	.03	**1901-20 Official.**	
30c, No. 131	.10	1c, No. 381	*.02
50c, No. 132	.07	2c, No. 382	*.03
1901-10		5c, No. 383	*.03
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24c, No. 155	.05	5c, No. 405	.03
30c, No. 156	.05	**M. G.**	
50c, No. 157	.06	12c, No. 454	.02
1c, No. 161	.03	5c, No. 455	.03
2c, No. 162	.03	12c, No. 456	.05
*3c, No. 163	.05	12c, No. 460	.03
*4c, No. 164	.10	**M. H.**	
10c, No. 166	.07	2c, No. 500	.05
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5c, No. 611	.02	**M. O. P.**	
1c, No. 613	.10	2c, No. 700	.25
*1c, No. 613	.25	1c, No. 701	.30
2c, No. 614	.04	5c, No. 703	.06
5c, No. 615	.03	**M. R. C.**	
*1c, No. 617	.10	1c, No. 751	.04
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10c, No. 31	.08	5c, No. 92	.03
*20c, No. 32	.35	10c, No. 93	.04
*50c, No. 33	.50	5c on 2c, No. 95	.03
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20c, No. 43	.07	10c, No. 87	.05
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50c, No. 56	.50	15c, No. 89	.06
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"Come on in out o' the rain, yuh bloomin' idiot. Can't yuh tell where the bridge leaves off an' the canal begins?"

A very much draggled figure climbed up the bank, and passed the discomforting "Mish". The door closed.

I nearly choked with joyous mirth. Coming along the highway, close to the canal bank, my headlights picked up the figure of a man. He was hiking across the narrow bridge which, without hint of rail, spanned the canal to "Mish's" 'dobe residence. The canal was deep. The glare of the lights dazzled the man, and he promptly dropped into the water, utilizing a fine lot of language on the way. I set the brakes, and shut off the engine. Really I had no wish that the chap should come out on my side of the canal.

I crossed the bridge carefully, and, as I reached the door of "Mish's" unhappy home, I heard the voice again. It seemed familiar:

"As I was sayin', 'Mish,' this here state of Texas stands thirty-eighth in education. Yes, sir! But, by Henry! she's first in lynchings. Soon as I get my clothes off I'll prove her claim good."

"Aw, cool off an' dry up!" was the reply. "She's some up in murders, too, an' I'm fer committin' one right now."

There was a silence. Then I heard the thud of a wet shoe.

"Come an' get it!" shouted "Mish", in a voice that might have been heard a mile.

I promptly opened the door, and walked in. "Mish" was seated at the table. His friend, late of Texas and the canal, was drawing up. There was a chair reserved for me.

"Thought I recognized the bark of your flivver," said "Mish." "Meet Tex. Used to know you over there." "Mish" waved his hand toward the western boundary.

And then Tex. and I fell into each other's arms. Know him? I sure did! Wasn't it Tex. who, seeking place as deputy U. S. marshal to guard me and my destinies, in reply to questions declared he didn't have a bed or a six-shooter.

"Well, what *have* you got, then?" asked the marshal.

"I've got a good appetite," declared Tex. And he was hired.

Tex. was a good guard. He could shoot with either hand. His good nature was effective. To one or two belligerent I. W. W.'s Tex. said:

"Aw! I wouldn't do that. Might cause hard feelin's."

The hard feelings consisting of two guns, one low down, the other at elbow height, naturally caused the Wabblies to think again. This was good for their future state.

"Let George do it," declared Tex. "He'll do it fast enough when he gets started." I wish no harm to my fellow creatures, but the proverbial George sure had a mouthful coming to him later. Also he made it. This left Tex.'s conscience clear.

That was six years ago. Since that time Tex. had punched cattle in Texas and Arizona and picked apricots in California. The ignoble occupation of apricot picking was done on a bet, which was paid in full later. And this is how it happened:

"You see, bein' out of a job, I went down town one day and sat around in the park—Phoenicia. There was a couple chaps there who seemed some heated. One of 'em says, says he, 'I never see a cowman yet who'd work off the range Me,—I've got an apricot orchard over there that just yearns for pickers. I'd like to try a cowboy'. "

"The other chap he just laughs and laughs. Mister Man he gets all heat up, and says he means it. Me,—I see the humor of the thing, an' when one of 'em wagers a hunderd dollars I butts in and asks the job. Say! It would-a done your young heart good to see them two old-timers' jaws drop. One of 'em looks me over. 'Oh, halibut!' he says. 'Too good to be true!' He meant it, too."

"Well, I went over to California. an' picked apricots. I sure enjoyed it. Yes, sir. Yuh see, they had a bunch o' cows, an' three-four ornery ponies, and two kids,—boy an' girl. Both about seventeen. The kids was twins. Well, I taught 'em to rope and tie and they sure learned me to appreciate the good things o' life,—meanin' stamps. Yes, sir. Both them kids had collections. Most as as the one you had over in Arizony.

I told Tex. then of the passing of collection, and the joy I was experien trying to duplicate its treasures, alth the replica consisted in the main of cards and cripples.

"Well," continued Tex., reminisce "the kids finally got me into the g I sent away an' got stung somewha me it seemed that-a-way, but the was delighted. Then I happene think of an old-timer who'd had a b o' letters he got when he was a '4 Say! He was some old, that chap. was a prospector. Born in 1829. W He could beat me."

"Which same wouldn't be diffi with laigs like them," declared "M between mouthfuls.

"Well, I wrote the old-timer, and sends me on a barrel full o' accum tions. Some barrel, too. Three-X fi once. But it sure had a fine lo stamps, tucked away in its insides. was some '47's on cover, an' some an' later on, includin' '69's. No, n 90 on cover, but, by Henry! they w block o' twelve, all laid away care like, unused. Then they was ot which same you might call too nume to mention."

"Mish" and I looked interested.

"What became of them?" we as in a breath.

"Well, yuh see, it was this way," plied Tex. "I had to leave there a awhile, to breathe the air o' Ariz So I jest nacherly let the kids keep sortin' 'em out. Then, after awhile, old man—their dad—ups an' dies, le the kids in debt an' only the ranch help out. Well, I wrote 'em, an' I w the old-timer, too. He hikes over t and buys the whole blamed outfit thought he was a pore old chap, seems he'd made a couple o' strikes. had more 'n he could spend. Me, I it friendly of him. Blamed if he di begin to collect, too. Got a colony 'em,—Chinks an' Japs an' all, collec Sure. I saved one for you an' one "Mish," him bein' undeservin'. Here are."

Mine was a five cents 1847 on co and Mish's was of the same cal "An' now," declared Tex., "we'll over old times."

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I was unable to accept their invitation, but, two weeks after the departure of the stamp-hunters, the Secretary of the Brighter Wangal-Wangal Society circularised me to the effect that the limited stock of the "REVENUF Error" was now on sale in London at nineteen times its face value.

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Iraq.—A new issue of postage and revenue stamps is being prepared, and at present comprises 1½, 2 and 3 annas and Rs. 1 duties. The annas series are being printed in one colour direct from steel plates in red, buff and blue respectively. The 1 rupee duty is being "surface" printed in two colours—centre brown, border and duty in green. The stamps are somewhat larger than the ordinary "postage" size, and will be printed on white Script C.A. paper.

Jamaica.—A new 6d stamp is being prepared. Stamp will be produced by "copper plate" and printed in two colours: the centre vignette will be black, and is a view of the harbour at Kingston: the border will be printed in blue: white Script C. A. paper will be used.

Malta.—The colors selected for the new issue of Malta stamps are as follows: ¼d brown with social duty figure (in brown) on white ground, ½d green (one colour), 1d orange-brown with purple duty, 2d sepia with sea-green duty, 3d blue (one colour), 4d yellow with blue duty, 6d olive with purple duty, 1s indigo and sepia, 2s sepia and blue, 2/6 mauve and black, 5s orange and blue, 10s grey and sepia, £1 black and red.

Palestine.—Four new duties, viz., 6, 7, 8 and 13 milliemes will be included in an interim issue of stamps for Palestine.

St. Helena.—In consequence of the transfer of the administration of Ascension to the Government of St. Helena, a provisional issue of St. Helena stamps overprinted "Ascension" will be made For this issue the overprint will be applied to St. Helena stamps of the old design. The duties to be supplied and the colours are as follows: ½d green and black, 1d green, 1½d red, 2d grey and black, 3d blue, 8d lilac and black, 1s black on emerald, 2s black and blue on blue, 3s purple and black. Subsequent issues for Ascension will be of the new St. Helena design with "Ascension" substituted for "St. Helena".

II.—New Printings in U. P. U. Colours.

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Mauritius.—The 6 cents stamp has been printed in a new colour, viz., violet.

Palestine.—New printings are being made of the 2 milliemes in pale yellow, 3 mils. blue-green, 1 piastre slate-grey, 20 piastres mauve.

St. Kitts-Nevis.—Supplies of the 2½d and 3d duties have been printed in brown and blue respectively, and of the 1d in blue-purple.

Seychelles.—The following have been printed in new colours: 3c black, 4c green, 6c blue-purple, 12c red, 15c yellow, 20c blue.

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Bermuda.—The ½d, 1d, 2d and 2½d duties in the "Ship" type have been printed on white Script C.A. paper.

Br. Guiana.—Supplies of the 12 and 72 cents duties are on order and will appear on white Script C.A. paper.

Br. Honduras.—The 10c duty in the "Nyasaland" type is being printed on white Script C.A. paper.

Grenada.—The 2/- duty has been printed on blue Script C.A. paper, from Plate 3.

Johore.—The 1 cent duty has been printed on white Script C.A. paper.

Kedah.—The 5 cents stamp is being printed in orange on white Script C.A paper.

Montserrat.—The ¼d, 1½d, 2d, 2½d, 5d, 2/-, 3/- and 4/- duties have been printed on Script C.A. paper.

Nyasaland.—The 3d duty is being printed on yellow Script C.A. paper.

Palestine.—The new interim issue of stamps for Palestine will be printed upon white Script C.A. paper with the exception of 5 mils. and 1 piastre duties which will have the Royal Cypher watermark as before.

Sierra Leone.—The 2d, 3d, 9d and 2/- duties have been printed on Script C.A. watermarked paper.

IV.—New Printings on Experimental Coloured Papers.

Bermuda.—The 10/- Postage and Revenue stamp has been printed on emerald paper, old C.A. watermark.

Ceylon.—The 15 cents has been printed in green on yellow paper.

Gambia.—The 4d, 7½d, 1/- and 5/- duties of the new issue are being printed on C.A. yellow paper, old watermark.

Kedah.—The 1 dollar duty is being printed on yellow paper, old watermark.

Montserrat.—The 3d and 4d duties have been printed on yellow paper, old watermark.

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IRELAND'S NEW STAMPS,

SPECIAL INTERVIEW WITH THE IRISH POSTMASTER GENERAL.

By W. WARD.

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Many conflicting statements having been published in the philatelic press, I arranged a few weeks back to make a special trip to Ireland, to endeavor to discover their proper status. Thus in August I was able, through the kindness of the Rt. Hon. J. J. Walsh, the Postmaster-General of the Irish Free State, to have an interview with him at his private office, temporarily situated in the Government Building near the Irish National Museum in South Dublin.

Ireland today is more or less in a state of war; on every hand are English and Scotch soldiers assisting the soldiers of the Free State to preserve law and order, though the dealing with the rebels is entirely in the hands of the Free State authorities. The streets are patrolled by armoured cars carrying six or seven armed soldiers, and in many cases a machine gun, while in and on the roof of all prominent buildings, especially noticeable as regards newspaper offices, are armed sentries, or a soldier with a gun perched behind sandbags. In addition to the military forces, both the ordinary City police and the new Civic Guard, who have replaced the National Royal Irish Constabulary, are armed. All life ceases at 9.30 p.m., when theatres, hotels, restaurants, etc., are closed—and then sometimes the business begins. Yet despite all this, the people do not seem to be troubled much—business proceeds in the ordinary way, and many streets, as Grafton Street, presents the same appearance as it did in the days before the war. Certainly Sackville Street and other thoroughfares on the North Side of the river show the events since 1916. The old General Post Office is still in ruins, the once magnificent Four Courts reminds one of the ruins of the Acropolis, while the eastern side of Sackville Street for some length is razed to the ground. Buildings all over the capital bear the marks and bespatterings of much machine gun-fire—but Dublin moves almost as if nothing had happened.

No longer are the British from "over there" (England and Scotland) looked upon as the foreign occupiers—indeed we appear to be the most popular allies united with the Free Staters to help them to vanquish the common enemy. So much for the present conditions in Ireland—while perhaps no place for squeamish folk—is yet the jovial, hospitable happy-go-lucky country it always was.

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The interview that he was kind enough to grant me extended from a mere ordinary business proposition to one of mutual conversation, and I must say that while Ireland has men like her first Postmaster-General, that her great future is not so very far in the distant future.

One of the first questions I asked Mr. Walsh was whether there was any truth in the assertion that had been published in the philatelic press, that he was being advised by a committee of philatelists regarding the issue of the Irish stamps and their varieties.

This Mr. Walsh emphatically denied. In no way had the Irish provisional stamps been manipulated, nor had varieties been made for the benefit of stamp dealers or collectors. What varieties had occurred had solely been caused by the demands made upon the several firms who had contracted to overprint the British stamps.

In regard to the case of the ½d with the inverted surcharge, Mr. Walsh said that as soon as he heard of it, he ordered the sheets to be destroyed. Three had been printed and one had been already sold over the counter of a Dublin postoffice to a local medical practitioner before the Postmaster-General's order arrived. The other two sheets were destroyed. It is not known how the 2d, with the inverted overprint, missed the scrutiny of the inspectors, but it had been sent in a requisition order to a small town in the South of Ireland, and sold across the counter in the ordinary way.

Mr. Walsh said that it was his intention to further make use of the form of advertising by postmark, and I mentioned to him that many people were confused by the new Irish postmarks in Gaelic and suggested that he might follow the example of Belgium and have a bi-lingual postmark. Mr. Walsh smilingly said the purpose of the town's name in Gaelic was to make the people learn Irish, but he thought my idea a good one and as far as possible put it into immediate use. Before I left him the order was given for new Dublin postmarks to be made with the Gaelic name "Baile 'Atha Cliath" at the top of the circle, with "Dublin" at the foot, while the month of the date was to be expressed in Gaelic—as August—LUGNASA, or abbreviated, LUG.

The designs of the new stamps had already been accepted, and are, low pence values, map of Ireland, intermediate values, Celtic Cross, highest values, the combined Arms of the Four Irish Provinces, Leinster, Munster, Ulster and Connaught. The dies were being prepared by the British authorities at Somerset House, London, but special machinery was being installed at Dublin Castle, where they would be printed together with the new Irish treasury notes. They will not be issued, however, until about next December.

Mr. Walsh said it was the Government's intention to issue special official stamps for the various Government Departments to take the place of the franked envelopes at present in service, as the latter were liable to misuse. It would be very probable that the new stamps would be sold in an imperforate condition to persons who so desired them.

Mr. Walsh stated that he did not see his way to institute a cheap local zone postage for any class of matter, as newspapers. The Irish towns were very isolated from one another and they had very few local newspapers, apart from the difficulty that would arise in fixing the limits of any zone as in other countries who enjoy a cheap newspaper postage.

The Postmaster-General further informed me that he had created a special department to deal with orders from collectors direct, and that the order prohibiting the sale of the Controls was one that had come from the British authorities, and he would be only too pleased to give collectors desiring the Controls the facility of purchasing them.

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*148	6c carmine	4.00	1.50
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156b	1c ultramarine	.10	.03
158	3c green	1.00	.30
178	2c vermilion	.06	.02
182	1c ultramarine	.10	.03
216	5c indigo	.15	.06
220a	2c carmine	.10	.03
220b	2c carmine	.20	.06
227	15c indigo	.20	.08
*239	30c orange brown	.85	.50
259	15c dark blue	.25	.10
*265	2c carmine	.30	.12
*266	2c carmine	.50	.18
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*324A	2c carmine (pair for)	.20	.12
*324c	2c (Strip of 2) carm.	.40	.18
*332	15c ultra.	.60	.28
333	50c violet	.25	.10
385	50c violet	.15	.05
405	50c violet	.15	.05
406	$1.00 brown	.35	.12
407	$2.00 blue	.75	.30
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426	50c violet	.10	.03
*422	13c apple green	.22	.16
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447	$2.00 carmine & black	.60	.25
*1458	25c Parcel Post	.50	.30
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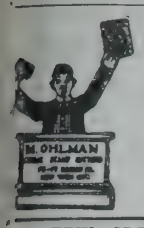

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In reply to my query re the proposed alteration of the currency to the metric system, Mr. Walsh said that owing to the troubles, many matters of progress had had to be left over, but this was a matter that would receive the attention of the government at an early date. He (Mr. Walsh) believed that the metric system was necessary for all forms of measures, and was necessary to a modern country.

So far Ireland's trade with countries outside the Empire is small but he believed that an impetus had been given to all ther industries and that the future would see a great revival of Irish trade and manufactures.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Walsh and other officials of the government, I went over several of the departments of the Post Office which are in different parts of the city—in the Government Buildings, Merrion Square, Dame Street, Castle Street, Essex Street, etc. Naturally all were well guarded and sandbagged. The National Telephone buildings in Essex Street look as though they had suffered a bad time, being situated near the Southern Quays, would be in the centre of most of the fighting that took place in June and July along the river. Messrs. Alex. Thom & Co's. works in Temple Lane, between Dame Street and Essex Street, also look as though they had been "through it"—and the wonder is that we have not had more varieties of provisionals than have been already recorded. Though Ireland has lost two of her greatest men, I feel sure that others like Messrs. Cosgrave, Walsh and Mulcahy will carry Ireland to the great future that awaits her.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited, as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—O. J. Richardson informs us of the existence of the current 2c stamp perforated 11 but imperforate vertically. He has seen the upper part of sheet with plate number 13,524. He has also seen a pair of 3c used on cover from Grand Haven, Mich., perforated vertically only.

—A new advertising cancellation from Hartford, Conn., reads:—"Hartford Aviation Meet, Nov. 10-11-12."

—E. T. Parker, Bethlehem, Pa., has just issued an 8-page pricelist of U. S. and foreign stamps. A copy may be had on application.

—Denver, Colo., is using a new postal cancellation:—"National Cancer Week, Nov. 12-20." Chicago is also in the lime-light with a new cancellation:—"International Live Stock Exposition, Chicago, December 2 to 9, 1922."

—Albert C. Gakenheimer submits a new cancellation from Baltimore inscribed:—"Baltimore Week, October 22nd to 28th."

—We cannot pretend to list advertising cancellations of foreign countries. They cover too wide a field. We thank correspondents who have been submitting Mexican, Canadian and European cancellations for our consideration.

—The "Bison City Stamp Club" was organized September 22, in Buffalo, N. Y. The officers are: Pres. Harry E. Klotzbach; Vice-Pres. George T. Simpson; Sec.-Treas., Adolph Steeg, 1048 Genesee Street. The Club will meet on the second and fourth Wednesday evening of each month and a cordial invitation is extended to all general collectors in Buffalo and vicinity to join.

—Recently, Mr. B. Gordon Bushnell bought the Royal Syndicate of Cincinnati, O., and beginning with the September issue, he consolidated it with the Big Star Syndicate. The combined Syndicate will be called the Big Star-Royal Syndicate and it is claimed will be the largest syndicate in the field.

—The 1923 convention of the Metropolitan Philatelic Association will be held in Duluth, Minnesota.

—The following paragraphs on the new stamps are taken from Riq.'s column in the Chicago *Post:*

"YOU will have to sit in suspense until Oct. 27 before you can see if the artist designing the new Roosevelt stamp has done his duty and shown the Hero with glasses and full set of teeth. Or if the T. R. stamp is made properly of good glue and thick paper, so it will have stick-to-it-iveness without being licked to a frazzle.

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AUSTRIA 1922, 500k orange* ..... .06
1922, Nos. 250 to 265* ..... .08
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I was in such an expedition when the war broke out, being then in Sweden en route for Finland, Russia, Denmark and Germany. Since then there have been no opportunities for a great foregathering of the world-league of philately until now. So I have seized the occasion of the International Philatelic Exhibition at Geneva, at which I had been invited to join the International Jury, to review my many-tongued friendships, and to get to know some of the new lights that have shone forth in the world of stamps in recent years.

Setting out alone, I had no thought of encountering any one en route. But as I stepped into the Pullman at Victoria I found myself among friends, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Burgin being on their way to Territet. Now I know where "G. B. B." (the former hon. secretary of the Herts Philatelic Society) gets some of his tall stories; there is a cog-wheel railway there that transports him to the heights. He unburdened himself of some of his yarns to me in the corridor train from Dieppe to Paris, so he is ready to assimilate a fresh supply on the *Rochers de Naye*. We parted at Paris, for they went on to Switzerland the same night, while I spent the night in the French capital.

I was not sorry that I chose to travel through France to Geneva by day. The country is interesting and towards the Swiss frontier is most impressive. All along the route the station names struck one as peculiarly familiar. It was like taking an express train through a voluptuous wine list. It set me thinking of the maxim that it is the wisest course to drink the wine of the country. But the train went too fast to carry out the idea (admittedly an excellent one, if practicable) of imbibing, ever so lightly, the native products of Tonnere, Chablis, Nuits, Chambertin, Beaune, Macon, Dale and all the rest.

"Machonaghie" thinks of returning by slow local train. *Nous verrons.*

The train, and especially the Geneva carriage, was crowded, and it was with some difficulty that I found a place in a compartment labelled "Loué Pour Etre-Occupé De *Culos à Genève* 6 Personnes".

Culos is nearly the end of the journey and by the time you have been nine and a half hours in one railway compartment, and have only another hour or two to go, it is difficult to resign it to some mere local wayfarer, and seek a new and equally uncomfortable nook elsewhere. So it was with repelling looks that our compartment met the gaze of everyone on the platform at Culos. But we saw no party of six personnes. Time passed, and we thought the little party had forgotten the day, the time or the place, or had slipped over the Jura mountains—callously we hoped they had. Then there was a noise. Someone had found our compartment with its dismal label.

A trolley was wheeled up beneath our window, and I peered out to see what manner of crowd it was, and whether any of them were bigger than the American gentleman who had just been discussing Mount Blank (we always call it blank, he told me).

Outside on the wagon were a dozen or more sacks—and we had only bargained for six personnes. They were mail bags, and our carriage had been reserved for the mails from Culos to Geneva.

Any / No } self-respecting philatelist would surrender his seat to a mail-bag. We sat tight. The two postmen vociferated, but it is easy not to understand people who speak with their hands, their heads and feet all at once. I was never fluent at French, and any well of Gallic expression in me had dried up for the occasion.

We did not understand, we did not mean to understand. I don't know just where they did put those mail-bags at Culos. But——

The train moved on, and in the fullness of time we arrived at Bellegarde, the French frontier station, where we had to get out and rampage up and down platforms to a Customs house inconveniently distant from the train. Our baggage, everything had to go too, that we might satisfy the French that we were not taking gold, bank notes and the like out of their vinous country. It was almost pleasant to be suspected of having too much of such things.

Then back to the train, to find the Post Office had made a strategic move and collared our carriage. A mail bag dozed lazily in my old corner, the seats and floor were heaped up with mail bags—and after the miserable business of the ceremony of parting with the French Customs, there was little fight left in us. Venomously four of us intruded ourselves and our baggage on a honeymoon couple a few compartments further along, and felt a little less miserable in that we were butting in on someone as someone had butted in on us.

Then we rolled into Geneva, a kindly-disposed Swiss officer raised his hat and asked me if I were importing anything I shouldn't do, and on my assurance chalked my bag, and I passed out a free man.

At the very threshold were Messrs. F. Wexel and L. Mestrad of the Union Philatélique of Geneva waiting to seize me and my baggage and to tell me the best things to eat and drink in the city of the lake. Then we went along to the Maison Communale de Plainpalais to see how the exhibition was growing. Here I met M. Emil Friederich, the President of the Union Philatelic, and the live wire of the exposition.

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The International Philatelic Exhibition, which was organized by the Philatelic Union of Geneva, to celebrate its thirtieth anniversary, was inaugurated on the Sunday morning when philatelists from most of the European countries and from the United States, were received and welcomed by the President of the State Council of Geneva, and the dignitaries of the historic city. In the afternoon the exhibition was opened to the general public, and such is the attraction of the postage stamp hobby on the Continent that the good folk of Geneva flocked in to see the liberal spread of rare stamps. Representatives of many foreign nations here for the meetings of the League of Nations, formed a considerable part of the attendance on Sunday.

It is not altogether an unmixed pleasure to be one of the judges as I am, at an exhibition of this character. They do not call us judges, we are an "international jury," and as if to prevent interference with the "good men and true" we are all immured in one pension, debate the points in the exhibits over the table, and our verdicts so far have been unanimous and arrived at most cheerfully. The President of the Jury is one of the most distinguished philatelists, Baron Axel de Reuterskiold, now approaching the veteran stage, having been judging at stamp exhibitions as long as there have been such enterprises.

An exhibition of this character will always provide plenty of interest to the collector, and although in some respects the competitive aspect of the Geneva show is disappointing, it was well worth coming to see the display of the rare Swiss Cantonal stamps alone, and a few really remarkable collections of other countries. The finest lot is that of a Polish exhibitor W. de Rachmanow, of Warsaw, who shows a magnificent lot of the Zurich 4 rappen and 6 rappen, of 1843, including all the types, examples used on the letter, and the "retouched" type of the 6 rappen. Of the costly "double-Geneva" he shows this rarity in four styles, *viz.*, unused, used, used on letter, and one used "interverti," that is to say, with the halves of two "doubles," right half of one double being *se tenant*, with the left half of the other. The use of the stamp in this condition was of course perfectly legitimate though it was very exceptional and pairs so used rank even higher than the "interverti."—*Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly.*

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The second design, which appears on the 1 and 2 shilling values, shows, in the central panel, a helmetted figure of Britannia embracing her young sister, Malta, who holds an olive branch in her right hand. The frame is composed of Maltese crosses, with the Maltese shield in the lower left corner.

The stamps of Malta have always been well designed and printed, a fact which has enhanced their popularity, and the majority of them are obtainable at reasonable prices. From 1860 to 1885 there was only one stamp in use, the half-penny, yellow, bearing a profile of Queen Victoria. It was used for local postage. Various printings changed the color slightly, varying from yellow to buff, brown-orange and a shade, which is the rarest, known as carmine-buff.

Malta joined the Postal Union in 1884, and on Jan. 1, 1885, a new series of stamps appeared bearing the Queen's portrait in frames of different design. The original half-penny design was retained, but its color was changed to green. The rarest stamp in this series is the imperforate 4-penny brown. By mistake a single sheet of this value was placed on sale without being perforated. It was first discovered in 1893, when a police official, noticing the imperforate stamp, showed it to a collector, and the latter went at once to the Post Office and succeeded in buying the remainder of the sheet. A fine, unused pair is in the collection of the King of England. Its present market value is about $100.

Five beautiful pictorial designs were adopted from 1899 to 1901. On the farthing stamp is a view of Valetta Harbor; a Gozo fishing boat appears on the 4-penny value; the 5-penny shows an ancient galley of the Knights of Malta; on the 2-shilling 6-penny stamp is an allegorical figure of Malta, while the 10-shilling stamp depicts the shipwreck of St. Paul on the island that was called Malta. St. Paul is shown with his right arm upraised, having just shaken off the viper. These stamps remained in use up to the present year. Since 1901 several values have been issued with portraits of King Edward and King George.

Fred Melville of London tells an interesting story of the purchased 1-penny stamp overprinted on the 2½-penny stamp in 1902. On one stamp in each sheet an error occurred in spelling the word penny, "pnney." It soon attracted the interest of local collectors, and the postmaster, on learning of the rare error, entered into the speculation by carefully removing all of the misspelled penny stamps from the remaining sheets. For the benefit of future collectors and to minimize the chances of being counterfeited, he placed a small red ink mark on the back of each stamp. The postmaster's stamp speculation came to the ears of the higher officials and he was removed from office. These errors are now worth about $5.—*N. Y. Times.*

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On October 1st, 1922, Washington released the latest news of the impending stamps of which so much has been written. Seeking the news value in the set, the newspapers tell that the new eleven cent stamp will be in blue and will have the portrait of President Hayes as its design; and that fittingly it will be placed on sale at Fremont, Ohio, on October 4th, on the occasion of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of the last president in the '70's. We do not need to tell our dear class about President Hayes, but if we were to say anything it would have to be in the vein now being worked so industriously by historians, as follows: Rutherford B. Hayes was placed in the presidential chair in 1876, by the Republicans, who said that he had won hands down but the Democrats said that he was seated by "Hands up!" Anyhow, for a time, the Demmies thought they had elected Tilden, the opponent of Hayes, who became known as the Tee-Totaler President, as he would not serve even the customary wine at the diplomatic dinners and rollickings at Washington, a fact that gave rise to Senator Vest's expression, "the water flowed like champagne." The five cent stamp with Roosevelt's features will be ready for sale on Oct. 27th, Roosevelt's birthday, and "the new fifty cent stamp with a picture of the Arlington amphitheater and the tomb of the unknown soldier will be sold on Armistice day." There is no thirteen cent stamp in the set to which two new denominations have been added, the fourteen cent and the twenty-five cent.

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Our informant, who said that two of the stamp designs would be a picture of Niagara Falls and the tomb of the unknown soldier at Arlington amphitheater, said that the plates were all ready for printing and that there would be no delay in producing the stamps when the command to go was heard. In our opinion, the new set will create much comment and be a means of focusing the thoughts of the people on stamps and their immense importance in many ways; and here and there the line of thought will lead so far that it will make contact with the collecting current. The columns of comments and criticisms that in the aggregate will appear in the newspapers will be many and in some of the reviews there will be references to stamp collectors.

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We have received a letter from one of our best collectors who prefers to remain anonymous, that is about the first of the communications that reverse the rule, that we have got. We reduce the length of the letter in the following sentences but we are careful not to soften the statements of our critic, as follows: Why not let philately grow by reason of its own merit and not try to force the issue? A campaign of advertising financed by contributions from the professionals is a cut-and-dried proceeding that seems to slap sentiment in the face. I can understand that it is not advisable to hide our light under a bushel but to preach so stertorously the necessity of getting publicity by hook or crook, is to me, I say frankly, cheapening and is not inspiring, by any sophistry. I should like to know if you really think that this publicity cry is not a staged effect. Even the optimistic claims that the value of my stamps advances in ratio to the number of converts may be turned about as an objection in that I shall have to pay more for the stamps that I have not acquired, as yet.

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It is apparent that the "booster" is made the receiver-general of an assortment of whacks recently by clever writers who find it easy to lampoon him but, nevertheless, we believe that the philatelic booster is a more engaging agent than the clan generally, as collectors have been the ones, as a rule, who have raised their voices to proclaim stamps to the multitude. Those who have not been interested in a monetary sense have done most of this work thus far, as we do not need to say that the dealers, so far as concerted action is concerned, do not seem to be alive to the advantage of spending a bit of money for something that should return good dividends. Yet they will get together some time in the future, as their blindness is not that of those who will not ever see.

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The basis for the urge for publicity is a wish on the part of collectors to share with others a pleasure that is lessened in no way, if it is not heightened, by recommending it to others. By bringing stamps as the objects of collection to the attention of the public, seed is sown that may grow into flower, as it is not to be gainsaid that there are many outsiders with the same mental inclinations as our own who will interest themselves in collecting, if the subject is brought persistently to their attention. To use the words of our correspondent, philately has merit, but that fact alone does not absolutely ensure growth, especially in this day when advertising is a force used to advance almost everything that depends upon mass, or for that matter, class favor for sustenance. If any pursuit, profession, or what you will, is to thrive, advertising will prove a lever and the astute collector knows that philately will be elbowed aside by other vocations if it is not held to its course by the strength of numbers. An article or purpose that has merit is the one that best may be advertised and if we trusted to the natural accretion of philately without any general publicity, we should revert to the dark ages in stamp collecting. It is wilful waste not to advertise philately, which may so well stand advertising, and no public-spirited collector or dealer would take a position antagonistic to this freedom.

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What we want to do is to so standardize stamp collecting as a recognized occupation or pursuit as to make it unnecessary to have to explain to the wondering or incredulous outsider what philately is or how it may furnish the foundation for a business or serious pastime, as you wish. This may be accomplished by authentic and correctly conceived accounts of stamps and the collecting of them in the prints that have a wide general circulation. The stamp paper is equipped only in a minor way to play any considerable part in making converts. We are on the road to better things in familiarizing the non-collectors with stamps as affording a logical scope for collecting, as a number of publications of highest grade have taken philatelic matter, but not only the elect should be told the stories of stamps, but the great body of just folks should be depended upon for the greatest results in recruits for the ranks of philately. It is significant that the question of publicity for stamp collecting is deriving so much attention and after the usual preliminary periods of theorizing on the subject are over, it is certain that trained minds will try a hand at directing stamp publicity in order that it may hit the mark without too many twists and turns.

OUR BOOK REVIEW.

Dr. H. A. Davis, secretary of the American Philatelic Society, has written a booklet that is somewhat novel in philatelic bibliography. He combines sentiment and fact in his "U. S. 1887, 3 Cent Vermilion," and we place sentiment first because of the large share it has in the story. The result is that this autobiographical prelude to the serious pages of the book gives the work a character that is remarkable in a stamp monograph or study. As for the heart interest, we take it that it "is a personal, a direct impression of life" and that its value "is greater or less according to the intensity of its impression." Each reader must be his own judge of this incursion into the field that is not cultivated ordinarily by the philatelic writer. The three cent vermilion is considered in all its aspects and about all that may be said of this sturdy stamp that is so true to type is given in the book. He views the stamp from all angles, and in cancellations he is thorough. Dr. Davis shows how sympathetic study brings out all the latent possibilities of a stamp that seem to deviate but little from the normal, and to those who have seen the three cent vermilion from the day of its issue, thirty-five years ago, Dr. Davis' study seems to be the last word in analysis. The booklet is well printed and the cover design is good.

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It is to be regretted that many collectors know only one publication, the catalogue. It is thought to be humorous to refer to it as the stamp collector's bible but sometimes the statement is quite correct. It is the only book on the subject of stamps that he knows and he accepts everything in it as "gospel truth." He buys things because they are listed in the catalogues, assuming that the respectability and desirability of the stamps are thereby guaranteed. The responsibility thus placed on the makers of catalogues is great.

For a long time we have felt that catalogues and albums were growing too large and that many things that were unworthy were finding place in them. Many years ago, when the list of the world's stamp issue could be printed in a few pages, every addition was welcome. A stamp prepared but not put in issue was as much appreciated as one that had done regular service. Even locals and essays were sought to add numbers and variety to collections. Today things have changed and, with so much to choose from, serious collectors desire only that which is worth while. Things made to sell are not welcome but efforts to foist them on us are being made all the time. Too many poverty-stricken and unscrupulous governments have learned that postage stamps offer an easy source of revenue and do not hesitate to get all the money they can in that way. So long as dealers buy their stuff and the catalogues help to make a market by listing it, these governments will continue to grind it out.

Even when we have known that an issue was speculative and made solely for mercenary reasons, it has been argued that the fact that some copies had been passed through the mails showed that the stamps could and did pay postage and, therefore, the issue must be accepted as legitimate. We do not deny that we have sometimes accepted such conclusions. Many such claims are based on sets of stamps that have been struck on covers and cancelled by an obliging or mercenary clerk. Some of these covers are not even addressed and many of them never went anywhere or did the slightest postal duty. It is quite time to reject such manufactured evidence and to accept only stamps that can be shown to have done their work regularly.

We have decided to try to relieve our catalogue of at least a few unnecessary and undesirable things. As a beginning we shall not list stamps issued for propaganda or advertising purposes. Nor shall we list stamps with overprints that do not alter the face value of the stamps, their mode or place of use. We have in mind such issues as those for the Malay-Borneo exhibition, the Costa Rica coffee sacks and the Salvador stamps overprinted "Centenario." In 1897, there was a Congress of the Universal Postal Union at Washigton and, to mark the event, the then-current United States stamps were overprinted "Universal Postal Congress." This was an event of international importance but we have never considered that the overprinted stamps were entitled to a place in our catalogue. Is there any more reason that we should recognize the Italian stamps recently overprinted for a philatelic convention? We have not catalogued stamps with advertisements on the backs, as in New Zealand, for example, and we cannot see why those with advertisements on the face are any more worthy of recognition. We shall probably refer to such issues in notes in our catalogue so that collectors may be informed of their existence. They may then gather the stamps if they choose but we shall not tempt them to buy the things by listing and pricing them.

We realize that this is only a very small beginning but we shall try to advance the work by exercising great care in listing future issues and, in the course of time, we may work backward and apply the pruning knife to things already in the catalogue. We may seem arbitrary in some of our acts and, doubtless, we shall make mistakes but we feel it is time to begin doing something to stem the flood of unnecessary issues. If collectors, dealers and the makers of catalogues would decide to recognize only stamps that meet postal needs and reject all that are unnecessary or made for mercenary purposes it should have a salutary effect on the output and result in a healthier condition for philately.

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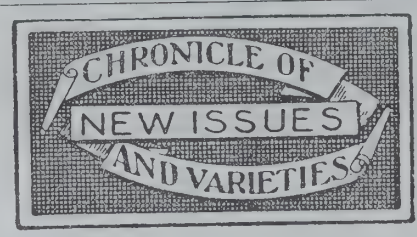

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

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UNITED STATES.—I am pleased to be able to inform our readers that some of the denominations of the new series of postage stamps are about to make their appearance and that it is expected that the entire series will be on sale previous to the opening of the new year. Correspondence received this morning from the Department contains much of interest regarding this issue which from all information available will be a very beautiful series.

"Post Office Department
Third Assistant Postmaster General
Washington.
Division of Stamps.
September 30, 1922.

Mr. Philip H. Ward, Jr.,
P. O. Box 4216, Germantown,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania,

My dear Mr. Ward:

In accordance with my promise to you of recent date concerning information about the new issue of postage stamps proposed by this Department, I am attaching hereto a notice for release in Monday morning's press.

The die-proofs and master dies have been completed and approved for the 11-cent, 25-cent and 50-cent stamps. It is hoped to have the entire issue available by January 1st, and if you will kindly bring this to the attention of collectors through your weekly Chronicle in MEKEEL'S, it will be appreciated.

In order that the stamps can be made available at the Fremont, Ohio, post office on October 4th, Mr. M. L. Eidness, Jr., Superintendent of the Division of Stamps, has been designated to proceed to Fremont on October 3rd to deliver these stamps to the Postmaster on the morning of Hayes' 100th anniversary celebration. This action is made necessary because of the fact that the first stamps printed will not be available until the morning of the 3rd. Mr. Eidsness will act as a special representative of this Department in presenting to Mr. Scott R. Hayes, son of former President Hayes, a beautiful mounted die-proof of his revered father, autographed by the Postmaster General.

Sincerely yours,
(Signed) W. IRVING GLOVER,
Third Assistant Postmaster General."

The enclosure with the above letter was used last week as a special news feature on page one.

From the information given it looks as if we are going to have a most attractive new series and their appearance will be awaited with great interest by the philatelic public. Before these notes go to press the 11-cent denomination will have been issued in both Fremont, Ohio, the birthplace of President Hayes and in Washington, at the office of the Philatelic Stamp Agent. In presenting this series the Department is taking a new departure in that scenery, animals and the like will appear on our regular issues. Heretofore these have been found on commemorative issues only. We are not as yet advised as to colors but imagine that these have not as yet been definitely decided upon.

It is to be regretted that such men as Hamilton, Jackson, Marshall, Webster and Clay have been omitted and that those of Hayes, Garfield and the like who have done little for the country other than hold the office of Chief Executive should take their place. The selection generally, however, is most satisfactory and the Post Office Department is to be congratulated for giving us something different.

Lincoln comes back again after a lapse of thirteen years and we hope he, along with Washington and Franklin, will remain henceforth forevermore. Jefferson and Monroe certainly are worthy of the honor and while Jefferson has been with us many times before Monroe appears on a regular issue for the first time, although we find him on the commemorative issue of 1904. Martha Washington is the one woman who stands out supreme in American history and the women, God bless them, should certainly be represented. Grant of course deserves recognition and no doubt Cleveland and Roosevelt will rank among our greatest Presidents. Why they omitted old Andy Jackson I cannot say unless it is due to the fact that he was a great Democrat as well as a great American. Hayes never did anything that history will remember and I imagine our only reason for having him was because he happened to be born just a hundred years ago. We had Ben. Harrison for the same reason about twenty years back.

BRAZIL.—The following are translations from newspaper cuttings sent us by our Brazilian agent:—

"With regard to the request presented by the Chairman of the Executive Committee for the Commemoration of the Centenary of Independence, the Minister of Communications has authorised the printing of commemorative stamps of 100, 200 and 300 reis in conformity with the types selected as the result of the competition arranged by the Postmaster-General. The stamps will be placed in circulation on the 7th September next.

"The Postmaster-General has decided to issue new ordinary postage stamps of eighty and forty reis. The 40 reis stamp will represent a landscape, showing in the foreground a husbandman harvesting in a field which stretches away to rising hills, over which the rising sun sheds its rays. On the left-hand side, above, appears the word, 'Agricultura,' followed by the word, 'Brazil,' horizontally, in white letters. At the bottom of the stamp, on the left there is a small shield which extends to the r… containing the value in figures and … word 'Reis.' Above the shield t… appears, in a curve, the word 'Cor… in white letters. The colour of th… reis stamp is light terra cotta. Th… reis stamp is of the same design an… printed in green."—*Whitfield King & Co.'s Bulletin.*

CEYLON.—"Stanley Gibbons' Mon… Circular" gives the following as … dates of issue, at the G.P.O., Colo… of the stamps with Script wmk.:… May 5th, 1922; 6c, August 3rd, 1921; … September 16th, 1921; 15c, May … 1922; 25c, October 21st, 1921; 30c, M… 15th, 1922. He states that supplie… the 50c and 1r Script have arrived, … only await exhaustion of the old s… —*Stamp Collecting.*

CHINA.—All the Foreign Post Of… in China will be suppressed on Decem… 31st next, and all the stamps will … come obsolete. As regards Hong K… stamps overprinted "China," we … officially informed that when the Br… Post Offices in China are closed, … stocks on hand will be withdrawn … destroyed. We have just received … 2c, 6c, 8c, 20c, 25c and $2 on the … script watermarked paper, and are … cluding them in our September di… bution; as they will be obsolete at … end of the year, they will be … stamps and likely to rise in value. … have also good stocks of Amer… French, German, Japanese and Ru… China, and shall be pleased to send … lections on approval on receipt of s… factory references from applicants … are not already on our books.—*Whit… King & Co.'s Bulletin.*

DENMARK.—The Economist Stamp … call our attention to the 1o and 5o n… paper stamps, the color of the fo… now being orange and the 5o brown …

EAST AFRICA AND UGANDA.—Mr. … Roberts submits for chronicle the 1… 10c with the surcharge "G.E.A." … is a local overprint and is of sm… type than the previous one. The … overprinted in red and the 10c in b…

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REAT BRITAIN.—Mr. R. Roberts sends copy of the 9d in a new color, this ting being of a nile green shade.

ALTA.—Mr. R. Roberts reports the wing additional values in the new 2sh 6d bright violet and black, 5sh ge yellow and blue, 10sh grey and brown and 1 pound black and ine. All are on the script water-ked paper.

r. Louis Carabott advises that owing e protests made by many philatelists local Minister of Posts has again ed on sale the 4d in the Constitution-t.

ICARAGUA.—The Economist Stamp advise that the 50c stamp of the 1921 set has been overprinted "R. de C. Vale un centavo" in three lines in black.

NORWAY.—This country is deserting the long-lived Posthorn type for its new 20 öre stamp, in which a return is made to the Lion of Type 4 placed in the upper left section on a solid background, with the name of the country below at left, and the value and word "Post" in three lines at bottom, right. The design is simple and dignified, and if the printer does justice to it should be quite effective. We are indebted to Mr. R. Johansen and another reader whose name we regret we have mislaid, for cuttings regarding this stamp.—*Stanley Gibbons' Monthly Circular.*

PORTUGUESE COLONIES.—*L'Echo* hints that Portugal is to wave the mailed fist in our faces by transforming her pretty and peaceful "Ceres" type into an armed figure of the Republic clad in coat of mail and armed with sword and buckler. All the more reason to fill up gaps in the "Ceres" type of the Colonies now, as there are many rare varieties of perf. and paper whose value is not yet sufficiently realized.—*S. G. Monthly Circular.*

PORT SAID (*French P. O.*)—Another new provisional arrives from Messrs. Whitfield King & Co., viz.:—8 millièmes on 20c. purple-brown. The surcharge is in black, in two lines.—*Stamp Collecting.*

RUSSIA.—Lt. Murray shows us the 10k blue arms type, on white wove paper, and with peculiar shiny yellow gum, which the Soviet Consulate at Constantinople declares to be a forgery. We will compare these with originals, and let our readers know the result. At first sight they would deceive most of us, though they are, of course, without the chalk-lines which distinguish the originals. —*S. G. Monthly Journal.*

SEYCHELLES.—The Postmaster informs us that he has received instructions to withdraw from sale all stamps on the old C. A. paper and destroy them by fire. All values of the current type will shortly be issued in new colours, when in all probability all stamps in the old colours with script watermark will also be burnt.—*Whitfield King & Co.'s Bulletin.*

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.—We understand the original printing of the 5s Script CA comprised only 6,300 copies, which had been used up by the end of May last. A 1½d denomination is foreshadowed.—*Stamp Collecting.*

URUGUAY.—Again we have to thank A. H. Davis, who writes from Buenos Aires:—

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Minneapolis precans are not as common as you might think, and it is rather hard to get a stock of them from the dealer's viewpoint because the post office (they have their own printing plant) has a varied set of electrotype plates which they change off about every six months. They have been using type V since around the first of the year, giving us this type in the 11 perforation for the first time. Now they have reverted to type IX, another double bar type. Single bars are not so plentiful.

The reason for this switching around of plates is, no doubt, to aid in checking up on the users of precans, as the local inspectors are very much afraid that users will get hold of the stamps and make them do extra duty. A precan with a design out of season would certainly arouse suspicion from firms which had recently laid in a supply of stamps, and the idea is a good one if it is as we suppose, for the average user is not apt to notice slight or even great differences in types. Going a step farther, how many people know what a *precancel* is?

Along with the cautious moves indulged in by the local authorities, they are not very anxious to sell precans higher than the 20c denomination and every once in a while they will tell you at the wholesale windows that they are not going to precancel any more fifty centers, but they let a few out now and then. This value will never be at all plentiful in any type, and the catalog prices should be higher. We have seen a few 50c type V, and with the stricter policy in force, it is not unlikely that this value will not be precancelled again in type V, so that it bids fair to be one of the scarcest Minneapolis precancels. The 13c type V is also another scarce one; the plate was not long in use in the perf. 11, and this may be our last chance to get them.

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Special Letter to the Winnipeg Tribune.

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Twelve years ago Reeve was chief accountant of the Canadian Pacific railway system from coast to coast. He was in his thirty-ninth year, stood 6 ft. 2 in., weighed 180 pounds, and had risen from a lowly position with the company to the top of the ladder in his vocation.

Without warning, he was stricken with a strange paralysis that allowed him only the use of his tongue, his eyes and his head. Other than these he could not move a muscle of his body. His case puzzled the best medical experts of Vancouver, Montreal and New York. Numerous tests were taken of his blood; doctors went over his body seeking for the cause of his malady. The case could not be diagnosed, for apparently nothing was wrong, excepting that he had paralysis.

Then, financially broke, and without a cent of income from any source, Reeve was taken to Vancouver to rejoin his family.

DETERMINED TO FIGHT.

One can imagine the tragedy through which he lived the first few months of his affliction. His wife, true to her sex, was the first to react to the new condition of the family fortunes. She went out seeking to take the place of the breadwinner. This but added to the stricken husband's misery. As he said, "I used to smile and try to be cheery during the daylight hours; but through the long nights I lay awake, shedding tears of despair and of rebellion against the thing that had come upon me. Then I determined to fight it out somehow, not to succumb but in some way to assume my responsibilities in life. I fought it out with my God and I won the first battle, for I conquered myself."

Reeve's first attempt to retrieve himself was in dictating three little booklets of verse to his wife. Their sale was meagre, but the man did not lose heart. One day a neighbor, knowing that in his youth he had been a stamp collector, brought him in a fair collection of rare stamps. It was propped up on the stand before his eyes and suddenly Reeve had an inspiration.

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DISLIKES COMMISERATION.

One may enter Reeve's little room which acts as bedroom, office and living-room filled with the sympathy one would naturally feel for a man in his circumstances. But one soon falls under the charm of the man's conversation on his cheery philosophy of life, on stamps, on the topics of the day, and forgets that here is a man who has been unable to move hand or foot for 12 years. That, after all, is the greatest compliment one could pay him for he hates those who commiserate or who shower him with fulsome sympathy.

Reeve and his boy friends have wonderful talks about stamps. He tells them of the great events in history they call to mind; the advances in art, literature and science; the great men various issues bring to memory; the artistry in stamp-making; the general progress of the world depicted in the faded pieces of paper. Business men, professional men and working men, too, also stamp collectors—for their numbers are legion—also visit the workroom, and then the pleasant conversations are carried along on a higher scale and all leave better for the hour they have spent and thrilled with the indomitable spirit of this remarkable man.

EARNS LIVELIHOOD.

Reeve talks interestingly on many subjects, but he is at his best on stamps. He studies them constantly. To him they are personal things, not to be lightly regarded. He loves them for what they represent, for the part they have played in his life as an anchor to a livelihood, to the charm through them life still holds for him.

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A NEW AIR MAIL FRANK.

We have received a letter from Raymond V. Bahr of Springfield, Ill., which bears upon the envelope an airmail marking in purple, consisting of two circles, one within the other and between the circles are the words "U. S. Air Mail." There are wings to the right and left of the circles which bear in the center in large letters "U. S." We quote from Mr. Bahr's letter:—

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STAMPS OF THE U. S. LETTER EXPRESS.

By ELLIOTT PERRY.

The statement credited to the great Napoleon that "history is a lie agreed upon" is occasionally true in a philatelic sense and the work of identifying and establishing the true character of emissions that have enjoyed the admiration of philatelists without meriting even their respect has not wholly ceased. Philately may be commended however, because in the period since stamp collecting became sufficiently prevalent to be classed as a hobby—a period hardly longer than the threescore and ten years of man's allotted span—so many stamps that purported to be what they were not have been relegated to their proper place, and so few whose position is doubtful still cling to reputations they never deserved. These latter are indeed frauds ancient but not honorable.

The present article deals with an issue of stamps that apparently has never deserved nor received the confidence of collectors and in all probability never will become otherwise than it is believed to be today—quite fraudulent. No firm, business or enterprise calling itself the United States Letter Express, or any proper abbreviation or modification of that title is known to have existed anywhere in the United States. The early writers who were familiar with both genuine and fraudulent issues of the various Local Posts mention neither this express nor the stamps purporting to have been issued by it. Apparently it was not known to Kline in Philadelphia as early as 1865, and the Moens printing of Coster's work on the U. S. local stamps, (Brussels, 1882), is also silent regarding it. Coster's book does mention and illustrate a bogus emission in the design of a mail-box inscribed "Express—U. S. Post—PA 5 ID" but this is only too palpably an imitation of the design used by Clark & Co., and by Brady & Co., of New York.

The United States Letter Express labels are all perforated—a feature strongly indicating they were not made in the period before 1860 when the local posts were at the height of their activity. They may have been printed as late as 1880, or even much later, but there is no way now of establishing the date of their manufacture unless a chemical test of the paper on which they are printed might determine when the paper itself was made.

Yet, in spite of all that can be said against them, there remains a very remote possibility these labels are part of an issue that was in actual but very limited use, or was manufactured and intended for legitimate use as postage stamps.

Many of the reprinted and counterfeited local post stamps, perhaps including some of those printed in fancy and unissued colors, were not made nor sold fraudulently. They were made for "space-fillers" of rare and almost unobtainable stamps at a time, (1860-1880), when there were comparatively few stamps in the whole world for collectors to gather and were openly sold for just what they were, imitations, at nominal prices. The bulk of the supply came from Hussey, Kline, Taylor and one or two other dealers and in its restricted sphere was a "quantity business." It had to be at the prices charged.

This is why most old collections made in America and some collections made elsewhere so frequently contain an assortment of local post stamps, few of which are apt to be genuine originals. If the reader were to examine a hundred such assortments, from as many old collections, he would immediately note a marked similarity—75% to 90% of the stamps would be the same in each assortment. The reason, of course, is perfectly obvious, but the point the writer wishes to emphasize is that the U. States Letter Express stamps are nearly always missing. Not one such old assortment in a hundred contains any of the "stamps" which are the subject of this article. Is it not strange that if these labels are an entirely fraudulent issue, made for no purpose other than to swindle stamp collectors, they are rarely found?

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paper beside the colors approximately imitating the genuine stamps is that sometimes designs of several different stamps were drawn on one stone or transferred to it and each sheet printed from such a stone contained not 25 or 50 or more reproductions of one certain stamp, but contained one or more reproductions of several stamps. A block of four of these imitations might consist of one stamp the original of which had been printed and used in New York, another from Philadelphia, another from Chicago and still another from New Orleans! This method of reproduction enabled the printer to reproduce many different stamps from only a few lithographic stones and thereby greatly reduced the cost of printing them, but also resulted in the appearance of many "varieties" that do not correspond to the original stamps in color or in color of paper.

As will be seen later, the U. States Letter Express stamps were produced in a manner very different from that used for most of the imitation and reprint locals and although the method used was less expensive than line engraving, only an issue of considerable magnitude could have justified the expense involved.

If issued legitimately, or intended so to be issued, what date can be assigned to them? The earliest date would be about 1860, for perforation of stamps had come into extensive use by then and the efforts of the general government to suppress the local posts had not yet been completely successful. If genuine, these stamps may have been intended for use by a concern doing or contemplating a metropolitan business of carrying both letters and packages, hence the high and low values, or by a concern in the Far West where both a local (low rate) and distance (high rate) business might be carried on.

Local posts appeared spasmodically in the '70s and '80s only to be quickly suppressed by the government, whose monopoly of the postal service became firmly established soon after 1860. Any concern attempting to do what the U. S. L. E. lables indicate that enterprise, if it ever existed at all, expected doing, would have been put out of business very quickly during any time when it is reasonable to believe their stamps were made. Possibly the letters U—S in the upper corners of the stamps and the abbreviation "U.STATES" appearing on each of them hastened their suppression or made their issue for use extremely unwise.

The stamps are produced by lithography on yellowish white wove paper, unwatermarked. The sheet probably contained a single pane of forty subjects arranged in five horizontal rows of eight, but may have contained two such panes placed one above the other. The individual subjects are scant 25mm wide by 30mm tall, with 2½ to 3mm between them each way. The pane measured 8½

inches long by not quite 6½ inches tall. The different denominations were all on the one pane and were arranged in the following rather peculiar manner:—

First (top) row—ONE CENT.
Second row—TWO CENTS.
Third row—TEN CENTS.
Fourth row—FIVE CENTS.
Fifth row—TWENTY CENTS.

It will at once be seen that horizontal pairs always contain the same denomination while vertical pairs always contain different denominations. This arrangement may have been accidental or may have been purposely made so that certain rates, viz., 3c, 12c, 15c and 25c, could be covered by the use of unsevered pairs.

The various denominations were produced from a single design. This is proven by the recurrence of certain flaws or other marks which appear on all specimens seen. A break in the inner frame lines where they should meet at the lower right corner of the lower right corner square is one of these characteristics.

The label for the denomination was probably left blank on the original design. The five denominations were produced by taking transfers from the original design and adding the proper denomination to each of the five. In making these transfers certain imperfections resulted and the next step was to touch up some of these. Each of the five completed designs was then reproduced seven times to make a horizontal row of eight subjects. The modifications and imperfections on each denomination were reproduced together with other parts of the design and this makes plating any individual specimen a task of considerable difficulty even when the impression is clear. The design, execution and printing are rather crude work but the work of duplicating each denomination was so extremely well done that every flaw or mark by which the eight varieties of each denomination might be identified is usually found on all of them whenever the printing is good enough to permit these marks to be seen at all.

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In correction of above remarks *re* the ½d Due, Mr. G. W. Reynolds writes us:—

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"The new ½d Postage Due was first issued on the 6th June, 1922, to Stellenbosch, Britstown, and a few other post offices. The 1½d was first issued on the 3rd June, 1922, to Cape Town and other post offices.

"It may interest you to learn that the De La Rue printing of the ½d Postage Due is now entirely exhausted, and the total quantity of this value received from the printers was 1553 sheets of 60. The ½d Due has always been a very difficult stamp for local philatelists to acquire, and now the stocks are exhausted this stamp should increase in value. The new 1d Postage Due, printed by the Government Printer, Pretoria, is expected to be issued in about two months' time.

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

—We have had word from Ross O'Shaughnessy that he is "having lots of fun hunting the Irish Free State errors on their native heath." He expects to leave for the continent again, starting at the Netherlands and proceeding to Italy.

—Bela Szekula has informed us that he has arrived in New York City "with the most wonderful rarities and collections" from Europe.

—Mr. A. C. Zimmermann of the publication department of the Scott Stamp & Coin Company, New York City, was a delegate of one of the junior organizations to the recent Grand Army of the Republic national encampment at Des Moines, Iowa. Mr. Zimmermann knows his business well and with our feeble voice we say that he is the right man in the right place. Mr. Zimmermann cannot see any clouds on the philatelic business horizon this season, speaking in terms of albums and other things closest to his heart.

—Mr. N. E. Carter, Elkhorn, Wisconsin, pays periodical visits to Chicago, where he renews old acquaintance and scouts around for preferred stock. Mr. Carter speaks of the zippiness that now characterizes the stamp market, after the month of unseasonably hot weather.

—Here is something that we welcome with a whoop. "Melville's Philatelic Press-List," compiled by that good and great philatelist, Mr. Fred J. Melville, London, for the use of "publicity and propaganda committees," is a list of twenty pages, printed on gummed paper, giving the names of all the publications devoted to philately, throughout the world. There are nearly two hundred labels with the names and addresses; and the price asked, one shilling, is a mere nothing in comparison with the convenience afforded by the list. An examination of the names on the list shows that especial care has been taken to give the information correctly; and that the compilation is up-to-date is indicated by the inclusion of the names of the very latest publications. Post free, 1 shilling, 1 penny. London Agent: H. F. Johnson, 44 Fleet St., 4 E. C., London, England.

—M. J. Fenster has removed his business to 790 Riverside Drive, New York City. Signs of prosperity, surely! Will correspondents please note the change of address. His advt. of Sept. 9 brought in 56 replies.

—Frank A. Goldsmith has shown us three new advertising cancellations, as follows:—from Lancaster, Pa. "Electrical Show, Lancaster, Oct. 18-19-20-21, 1922"; also from Stockton, Cal. "Visit Yosemite National Park, Open All Year," and the third from Kansas City, Mo. "American Royal Live Stock Show, Nov. 18-25, 1922."

—Max Beck, 438 E. 70 St., N. Y. City, would be glad to procure the name of a party from whom an order was received with only the street address, 834 41 St., Milwaukee, Wis.

—R. E. Depue has shown us a Pomona, Cal., advertising cancellation which reads as follows:—"Los Angeles Co. Fair, Pomona, Calif. Oct. 17-21, 1922" in three lines.

—H. Preston Hoskins sends us a list of eight different cancellations received in a day's mail. Of one variety four different cities are represented and on another two. All have been mentioned in the WEEKLY previously. We must advise correspondents that we are not listing other than U. S. markings.

—From far and wide clippings have come to us dealing with the issue of the new 11c stamp at Fremont, O. A Detroit paper gives Herman W. Boers publicity in connection with the early receipt of the stamp and Mr. Koslowski informs us that at a meeting of the Michigan Stamp Club three covers bearing the stamp with date of issue brought $1.25 each. The members also had the pleasure of dividing a sheet amongst them.

—S. Hyman sends us a copy of the first number of the *Russian Collector*, the first philatelic journal published in Soviet Russia. It contains an article stating that the postal rates were increased July 1, as follows, on foreign mail:—postcard 270,000 rubles, ordinary letter 450,000 rubles, registered letter 900,000 rubles. Mr. Hyman also submits a specimen of the new 11c Hayes stamp for our inspection.

—We have been favored by the Stamp Shoppe of Washington, D. C., with two photographs of the interior of their offices. One shows Mr. Mason at his desk and the other Mr. McFadden, b being submerged with business. We knowledge the courtesy, and the pho graphs will forthwith grace the walls the Beverly office.

—The Eric Verrill postage star were sold at sheriff's sale in New Hav September 15. The stamps were s exactly as the sheriff received them, two lots. Before calling for bids an ventory of the lots was read, which t little however as to the real nature the stamps placed on sale. J. How Williams of Hartford made the first only bid of the day, $300, and bec owner of the property. Ten other sta folk were present, but they did not t kindly to buying unseen goods. H. Bradley who submits this informat encloses a copy of a 2c parcel sta issued by the Connecticut Co. on trolley express lines. The stamp printed in green and has the figure 2 circles in the four corners.

—Stephen G. Rich, who recently wr on the stamps of the Union of So Africa, has secured leave of abse from the Concord State Normal Sch of Athens, W. Va., where he has b head of the department of chemis He is now studying for the degree Ph.D. in the School of Education New York University. Mr. Rich gra ated at this university with the deg of B. S. and membership in Phi B Kappa, in 1914.

—The library of New York Univers at University Heights, Bronx, New Y City, is now in charge of Professor T Jones of that university, who is a p atelist. Dr. Jones has recently b making efforts to secure for the libr the collection of philatelic literature a New York collector; the library give the collection a separate room, the donor is to be honorary cura The library of philately thus establis will be accessible to the public for c sultation. The philatelic library in qu tion is reported to consist of over 1,0 volumes, practically all previous to 19

—In the issue of October 7, the na of H. M. MacLean was printed H. MacLean. They are both one and same party. The mistake was ours.

—The address plate in our mailing partment designed for Silas Weather Medina, O., reads "Silver Weather Our friend rightly protests at this de mation of his name and very respectfu asks, "Has the office boy been play with the addressing machine?"

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We close the subscription record of the past year with a sense of gratitude to the many who have participated in the work of securing new subscribers. To the Fennell Stamp Co. with 460 subscriptions sent in especial credit is due. Allen Sears follows with 325 and L. B. Dover with 214. These three firms have thus furnished us with practically one thousand new subscriptions. We cannot name individually and express our thanks to all who have co-operated, but assure those whose opportunities have not been great that we appreciate such effort as has been put forward in our behalf. There has never been a year when the WEEKLY has served philately to the extent that it has during the past twelve months. There are so many dealers who do not have the time or inclination to bother with our subscription forms that it makes us doubly appreciative of the work done by our friends.

A new roll of honor commences next month and we covet the co-operation of every reader of our paper. It is quite true that we are compelled to look to the dealers for the larger results and we shall offer prizes to the three who lead in securing new subscriptions in the coming year. The contestant securing highest honors will be given a half page of advertising, and the next two will be given a quarter page each. The totals from Oct. 1 of last year to Oct. 1, 1922, are as follows:—

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"From a foreign stamp journal just received, I quote the following: 'Not least among the numerous international contributions to the Brazilian Centenary Exhibition, which opened at Rio de Janerio a few days ago, is the inclusion of displays of postage stamps by several Governments, including that of the United States. For the occasion the latter has brought upon itself doubtful renown by specially manufacturing to complete the exhibit of U.S.A. stamps, two "reprints' of the rarest of all aeroplane adhesives—the 24-cent red and blue of May, 1918, with centre inverted—a stamp with a "£150 look." One of these has been sent to Rio and the other deposited in the archives at Washington. Presumably the ultimate destination of the former is the National Collection in the Smithsonian Institute.'

"I am much interested in these stamps and would appreciate a verification of this story if true. Kindly also let me know, if true, whether two sheets were printed or only two stamps. If two stamps, were they printed from single dies? Also whether the stamps were finished in every way with regard to perforation and gum."

In reply Mr. Klein received under date of October 2, the following communication from W. Irving Glover, Third Assistant Postmaster General:—

"You are informed that the Department authorized the Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing to prepare two die-proofs of the 24-cent red and blue issue of May, 1918, with the center inverted. This was done in order that the collection of die-proofs sent to the Brazilian International Centennial Exposition by the Post Office Department could be as complete as possible. In view of the interest manifested in this inverted stamp, it was believed that a die-proof would be of marked interest. No stamps were reprinted and no stamps will be authorized to be reprinted. The inverted die-proofs on exposition are printed on India paper with no gum and no perforations, and it is the intention of the Department that one die-proof will be retained in the exhibition cabinet for future expositions and the other will be part of the official record in die-proof album of the Division of Stamps of this Department."

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EDITORIAL.

The new issue of the eleven-cent stamp, showing the portrait of President Rutherford B. Hayes, made its appearance at Fremont, Ohio, on the appointed day, that of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Hayes or October 4th, 1922. We should say that the artist who engraved the stamp did well with the central design, judging from our recollection, as "a mere child," of the large likenesses of President Hayes. This specimen is a foretaste of pleasures to come and while the portrait stamps will make their impression, curiosity is centered chiefly on the stamps of distinctive design. Of course, after having been regaled with stamps of the character of the Columbian and Omaha issues, not to mention others, it is not to be expected that older collectors will get any particular thrill from the new stamps, so far as the treatment of subject or design is concerned, but it is certain that for intimate relationship with the average user of the stamps, the new set may be counted upon to make a ten-strike. The sentiment shown by the department in issuing the new eleven-cent stamp so opportunely and having the five-cent stamp, picture of Roosevelt, ready on his birthday, is to be commended, as indeed is the manner in which the post-office department has proceeded from the inception to the issue of the stamps of the new set.

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Much will be said about the new U. S. issue by the free and independent newspaper press and divers opinions will be expressed about the necessity, advisability or propriety of the new stamps. The attention of millions of people will be directed to the stamps that at first will seem unfamiliar and for a few seconds at least, the unresponding member of the non-philatelic public will feel a dull surge of interest in knowing that some stamps are different from others.

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Each time the advance sheets of the new catalogue come with their price changes, we receive a few letters criticizing certain of the new quotations. While such communications are interesting, yet the complaints that they present, in the main, are of under-pricing and so are open to the suspicion that disappointment accounts for the criticism. At any rate, individual opinions of this kind are to be pitted against the findings of the cataloguer who it will be granted, scrutinizes closely each price. While it would be folly to claim infallibility for the cataloguer and his consultants, it is apparent that experience gained in the actual market combined with a knowledge of the conditions affecting each stamp must presuppose ability and intelligence in making prices that are fair and equitable. For years we have been aware of objections that are cited against the appraisal of this or that stamp and we cannot say that they have no foundation, but we are aware that the catalogue publishers have their side of any argument. The work of the cataloguer is not easy and there are many things to reconcile in a book of the kind. Even the changing value of the dollar in its purchasing power must be taken into consideration and care is exercised to determine, if possible, whether any sensational and sudden demand has elements of permanency. It is characteristic of collectors that they are free to speak their minds plainly about the prices in the catalogue and while some of the opinions show snap judgment, yet we would not have the critics doff the robes of judges. What we started to say was that some of the letters that we receive should be sent, instead, to the makers of the catalogue; we say this in good faith, as no doubt the publishers might find in them a suggestion or two that could be shaped into something of value.

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There is a place awaiting the market student who is equipped with the knowledge that will allow him to pose as a price analyst of the individual stamp and to give special reports on it. For instance, the collector who was hesitating to pay say, thirty dollars for a five-cent of 1851, U. S., could hire him for a fee, to furnish a report on the stamp as an investment, much as a bond or a stock is dissected for the benefit of investors. The details entering into the scrutiny would include the soundness of the issuing country, the collecting qualifications of the specimen as indicating demand or popularity, its market course and its value as arrived at by comparison and other estimates. The longer the stamp has been "seasoned" the more unlikely is it to be affected by finds or other increases in the visible supply. A competent authority who would apply himself to philatelic price analysis might find that in time a demand for his services would be created. However, we suppose that the men best endowed to succeed in this work would shrink from any public prosecution of it, and so about the sole benefit of a suggestion such as this would come from the investigation that the collector or the intending purchaser would make, along the lines hastily drawn, for his own benefit.

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If Arthur Brisbane reads the papers in which his editorials appear, he must have seen a neat parry of one of the thrusts that he made some time ago. In one of the Hearst papers, we noticed a syndicated article by a health exponent in which he said: "A few days ago I listened to the animated conversation of two friends of mine who are interested in collecting stamps" and the writer proceeds to say that they are called philatelists or experts in the stamp line. Neither of the two gentlemen has any regular business as they are financially fit and they do not care to follow any business or profession; and so philately fills the bill and gives them an occupation of mind and body that makes them alert and happy and in effect, conduces to longevity. All of it is well said by the sensible writer who in effect renders the Brisbane contentions very small and inconsequential, indeed. We remember having read years ago in a list of the "advantages" of stamp collecting as compiled in an English publication the count that philately afforded a congenial pastime for those who otherwise would have nothing to do, by reason of their position or wealth. Here the young man who by force of circumstances must drop business and the old man who should drop business as having had enough of it, should know that they have conveniently at hand a pursuit that will pass the time so pleasantly that perforce they are the better off mentally and physically for entering the stamp kingdom.

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PART I.

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The general knowledge the average individual acquires and its ultimate value to him depend altogether upon the following things: The natural opportunities for obtaining knowledge; the extent of one's ambition; the depth of one's capability for absorbing information; and the permanency with which acquired knowledge is retained.

"What has all of this to do with stamps?" our readers may ask. Nothing, other than to point out that "stamp knowledge" is just like other knowledge; some facts in regard to it being easily acquired because openly evident, while other facts must be sought after. How much of it all is ever eventually and permanently retained or is ever of any value to its owner, depends entirely upon the characteristics of each individual collector.

Of which type are you—the surface skimmer seeing little and remembering less, or one who is desirous of learning all possible?

Well, what can a stamp teach? Let's consider that we have divided a stamp into its two component parts—the actual things that it is made of and those that it is representative of.

The stamp itself is composed of paper which has been gummed on the reverse side and shows a printed or engraved design of some sort on the face of it in inks of different colors. We, therefore, have as the physical parts of a stamp paper, gum, ink, and in the sense that we are referring to them, engraving and color.

The representative parts of a stamp are equally as important, and consist of the design, the standard coin of the country of issue, the purpose of usage, the place of mailing represented by the cancellation if it be a used specimen, and the language.

If we are users of one of the world's standard catalogues, we find certain issues of stamps described as being engraved, lithographed, typographed, embossed, surface printed, rotary printed, etc. The paper is also referred to as being hard, soft, porous, quadruled, horizontally or vertically laid, watermarked, surface colored, chalky, granite, woven, pelure, silky, grilled, etc., and the stamps are referred as to being perforated, imperforated, part perforated, rouletted, serrate perforated, etc. The plates from which engraved stamps are printed are referred to as being re-engraved or retouched.

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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

United States.—The first of the new series of postage stamps, the 11c peacock blue, perforated 11, unwatermarked, was placed on sale in both Washington, D. C., and Fremont, Ohio, on Wednesday, October 4th, the 100th anniversary of the birth of Rutherford B. Hayes, nineteenth President of the United States, whose portrait appears on this denomination. The stamp is the same size as the current series, the portrait is in the center within a circle and beneath within a small label we find "HAYES." Horizontally across the bottom of the stamp is the word "CENTS" with large figures "11" within ovals at each end. Semi-circular across the top, in full and not abbreviated as heretofore "UNITED STATES POSTAGE." Rectangular and triangular ornaments complete the design. Considering the purposes for which a postage stamp is designed I think the work is excellent. From an artistic point of view the figures are too large and out of all proportions but it must be remembered that these must be large and distinct so they may be readily and quickly distinguished by the postal clerk. The head is well engraved and both the Bureau of Engraving and Printing and the Post Office Department are to be congratulated. If the balance of the series are as well executed there will be little criticism.

Speaking of the other varieties Mr. Harold F. Whittaker writes that he recently visited the Bureau, at which time he had the good fortune to see die proofs of some of the other values. He states that they are very beautiful and that the "5c Teddy" which will be issued on October 27th, "will make a hit with users as well as collectors." It seems that the $5 denomination is the only value that will be bi-colored.

I overlooked mentioning that the 11c stamps placed on sale in Washington were all from plate 14058. They are printed in sheets of four hundred, flat plate, and these in turn are cut into post-office sheets or rather panes of one hundred.

1922, Perforated 11, Unwatermarked.
11c Peacock Blue, Hayes.

In my notes of last week full details regarding the new series as announced by the Third Assistant Postmaster General were given. This information was sent me at the same time it was sent to the press in general but it is to be regretted that we cannot have the release ahead of time for it takes nearly three weeks for our notes to reach our readers Because of the details contained in this most interesting report there was not sufficient space to warrant comments on the descriptions as announced. We recall reading a foreign Chronicle some years back stating that Marshall was an early President and that Farragut was a famous Army officer, so a few notes may not be amiss.

On the 1c we will have Benjamin Franklin, the first Postmaster General under the Colonies but not under the Constituted Government. He was one of our leading diplomats abroad and did much during the Revolution to bring about French participation in our struggle. "Poor Richard," a printer by trade, is also famous for his many wise sayings.

We will find George Washington on the 2c, our first President, and the greatest man America has produced. Abraham Lincoln, our sixteenth President and one who ranks second to Washington only will be on the 3c. It is to be regretted that he is not on the 5c denomination, which is a much more used denomination. The 4c will have Martha Washington, wife of the beloved George. Theodore Roosevelt, better known as "Teddy," our strenuous twenty-fifth President, adorns the 5c. On the 6c we have our 20th President, James A. Garfield, whose main claim to fame is the fact that he is one of our three "martyr Presidents." William McKinley, our twenty-fourth President, presided during the Spanish-American War and was one of the three martyrs. He occupies the place of honor on the 7c. On the 8c we have U. S. Grant, eighteenth President of the United States and leader of our forces during the Civil War. Thomas Jefferson, the third President, the first Secretary of State, the author of the Declaration of Independence, the author of the Virginia Bill of Rights and the Founder of the University of Virginia among other things is on the little used 9c. Monroe, the fifth President and father of our foreign policy, known as the Monroe Doctrine, is on the 10c. Hayes, our nineteenth President, is on the 11c. He is there because he happened to be born a hundred years ago and has an active son living who is seeing that the event is being celebrated. His most famous act during his incumbency was the ousting of Chester A. Arthur from the Collectorship of the Port of New York, which resulted in his being nominated for Vice-President, followed by the Presidency. On the 12c we have our twenty-second President, Grover Cleveland, who possibly ranks with our ten ablest Chief Executives. The 14c shows the first American—the Indian; the 15c, the Statue of Liberty, presented to us by the French and now in the harbor of New York City; the 20c, our National park, Yosemite in California; the 25c, Niagara Falls on our Canadian-New York border; a Buffalo, found in America only, on the 30c, while on the 50c we will have the famous memorial Amphitheater at Arlington, Virginia, just outside of Washington. The tomb to the Unknown Soldier will be prominently in the foreground. On the $1 will be illustrated the Lincoln Memorial recently dedicated in Washington; the $2 will show the Capitol Building where is housed our legislative branches in addition to the Supreme Court. The $5 will depict America. This will be our only bi-color, so keep your eyes open for inverts.

I wish to especially thank Messrs. H. W. Porter, J. H. Houston, G. C. Jok Dr. William Evans, Benj. Cadbury George Staplin, Jr., C. C. Dargue and J. G. Herndon, Jr., for clippings and information regarding this series.

I recently ran into a little lot of cover that are certainly of more than passing interest, for one of them I believe to b unique. They were addressed to Ger many and Austria. The circular letter each had a pair of the 1c 1857, some typ IV, some type V. I understand that 2 was the circular rate at the time but do not recall seeing pairs of this valu used on covers heretofore. The uniqu piece however was a beautiful block o five of the 5c 1851, in magnificent condi tion. It was originally a block of six making the 30c rate, but someone de tached a copy. The only other bloc that I have heard of of this variet either used or unused was a larger bloc off cover and in poor condition, foun

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sometime back in the middle west. This cover was sent to Prussia and while the stamps had black grid cancellation the cover was postmarked in black within a circle, "Pekin, Ill.—Jan. 20"; in red within a circle "N. York 7 Br. Pkt—Jan 27—Paid" in addition to "Aachen 13/2—Franco" in red within a rectangle. Along with the same correspondence was a vertical strip of three of the 10c 1851, a pair and a single on the cover and strips of three of the type I 10c 1857 on further covers, all making a 30c rate to Germany.

Mr. A. F. Gamber reports the finding of two new provisional envelopes not listed heretofore.

1920-21, 2c on 3c Provisional Envelopes.
Denver Overprint.
Die A on blue, Size 7, Wmk. 19, H. B.
Milwaukee Overprint.
Die F on —, Size 8, Wmk. 20, L. B. Window.

FEDERATED MALAY STATES.—Mr. R. Roberts reports the 12c ultramine on script watermarked paper and the 35c carmine on new yellow paper with the old watermark.

IRISH FREE STATE.—Messrs. Bright & Son have sent us copies of the ½d, 1d, 1½d and 2d Harrison Print Stamps that have been issued in rolls.

ITALY.—The Giuseppe Mazzini commemorative series, foreshadowed in these columns some time ago, is due for issue on the 20th inst., comprising three values, viz. 25c (allegorical), 40c (portrait), and 80c (Mazzini's tomb). The number printed is said to total 400,000, and they will be available only until October 31st next. We learn that not more than five sets are to be sold to any one person at a time at the Italian post offices, the number available in this way being restricted to 250,000. The balance are to be conserved until the beginning of November, when they will appear with a surcharge for some charity not yet indicated. What pretty ways they have in Italy!—*Stamp Collecting.*

NAURU.—Messrs. J. H. Smyth, Ltd., report that the definite set for this island was expected to be issued in August.

OUBANGUI-CHARI-TCHAD.—The plans of the Administration of this Colony contemplate its division into two separate territories, which will have their own separate stamps. This decision, writes our Special Correspondent (Mr. H. B. Gould), sounds the death knell of the present issue, the 1c value of which is already obsolete.—*Stamp Collecting.*

PORTUGUESE INDIA.—Messrs. Whitfield King & Co., send us a new provisional, viz.:—"1½ real" (*in red*) on 2r. black (Ceres). Portuguese India has already given us a sufficiency of 1½ reals, which is the present rate for newspapers circulating in Portuguese and British India.—*Stamp Collecting.*

RHODESIA.—Messrs. Bright & Son report the appearance of the 2d, in the current design, in brown and black.

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122	8c ultramarine	.15	.09
136a	4c lake	.75	.40
137	5c orange	.25	.15
142	$1.00 black & red on blue ..	1.50	.90
143	$2.00 green & red on yellow	2.50	1.75
148	45c black on green	60	.36
149	4c gray violet	.20	.12
	KEDAH		
6	10c brown & blue	.20	.12
7	20c green & black	.35	.20
8	30c carmine & black	.50	.30
9	40c lilac & black	.60	.36
	KELANTAN		
9	$1.00 green & emerald	2.00	1.20
	TRENGGANU		
8	50c black on green	.80	.50
9	$1.00 red & black on blue..	1.50	.95
101	3c/2c red Charity	.15	.08

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STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—Our Singapore correspondent, Dr. Tan Bin Chiang, sends the new 35c, script wmk., chronicled a fortnight ago, together with the 10c blue with Script watermark *inverted.* The following, he points out, should be added to the values mentioned on page 454:—5c orange, Plates 7 and 9, 10c ultramarine, Plate 7; *Old Watermark:* 45c on new emerald-green paper, 50c on new emerald-green paper.—*Stamp Collecting.*

TANGANYIKA.—Mr. R. Roberts sends us the following values of the new set: 1sh green and black, 2sh lilac and black, 3sh black, 5sh scarlet and black, 10sh blue and black, and 1 pound orange and black. All are engraved and on script watermarked paper printed in sheets of 60, 6x10, no plate numbers or inscriptions visible except the printer's name at the bottom.

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No. 59 ..... *.20
No. 68 ..... .15
No. 69 ..... .20
No. 78 ..... .04
No. 81 ..... .12

1915-20
No. 91 ..... .10
No. 96 ..... .06
No. 97 ..... .05
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No. 100 ..... .12
No. 101 ..... .20
No. 102 ..... .60
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No. 137 ..... .35
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1914 Charity.
No. 241 ..... *.02
No. 242 ..... *.02
No. 243 ..... *.04
No. 244 ..... *.08
No. 245 ..... *.02
No. 246 ..... *.02
No. 247 ..... *.04
No. 248 ..... *.08
No. 262 ..... .06
No. 263 ..... *.50
No. 264 ..... *.20
No. 265 ..... *.20
No. 266 ..... *.50
No. 270 ..... .03
No. 271 ..... .03
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1898 Parcel Post.
No. 501 ..... .12
No. 502 ..... .30
No. 503 ..... .20
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No. 517 ..... *.12

1915 Parcel Post.
No. 545a ..... .03
5fr, No. 547 ..... *.05
10fr, No. 548 ..... .06
10c, No. 559 ..... .02
15c, No. 560 ..... .03
20c, No. 561 ..... .02
25c, No. 562 ..... .03
30c, No. 563 ..... .06
35c, No. 564 ..... .03
40c, No. 565 ..... .04
50c, No. 566 ..... .02
55c, No. 567 ..... .07
60c, No. 568 ..... .03
70c, No. 569 ..... .03
80c, No. 570 ..... .03
90c, No. 571 ..... .04
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1.10fr, No. 573 .. .20
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1920 Parcel Post.
10c, No. 579 ..... .02
15c, No. 580 ..... .03
20c, No. 581 ..... .03
25c, No. 582 ..... .03
30c, No. 583 ..... .04
40c, No. 584 ..... .04
50c, No. 585 ..... .04
55c, No. 586 ..... .07
60c, No. 587 ..... .06
70c, No. 588 ..... .06
80c, No. 589 ..... .07
90c, No. 590 ..... .06
1fr, No. 591 ..... .07
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1.20fr, No. 593 .. .06
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2fr, No. 595 ..... .07
3fr, No. 596 ..... .10
*3fr, No. 596 .... .75
4fr, No. 597 ..... .10
*4fr, No. 597 .... .75
5fr, No. 598 ..... .08
*5fr, No. 598 .... .75
10fr, No. 599 ..... .12
*10fr, No. 599 .. 1.50

1914 Occupation.
3c on 3pf, No. 701 .03
5c on 5pf, No. 702 .02
10c on 10pf (703) .02
25c on 20pf (704) .02
50c on 40pf (707) .08
75c on 60pf (709) .12
1fr on 80pf (710) .20
1fr25c on 1m(711) .75

1916 Occupation
*3c on 3pf (713 .01
*5c on 5pf (714) .01
*8c on 7½pf (715) .02
*10c on 10pf (716) .02
15c on 15pf (717) .02
*25c on 20pf (718) .02
*40c on 30pf (719) .04
50c on 40pf (720) .05
*15c on 15pf (727) .02
*20c on 25pf (728) .03

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1897
3c, No. 58 06

1904-6 Postage.
*1c on 5c, No. 95 .10
1c, No. 101 ..... .02
2c, No. 102 ..... .02
5c, No. 103 ..... .02
10c, No. 104 ..... .05
15c, No. 105 ..... .05
20c, No. 106 ..... .05
25c, No. 107 ..... .05
30c, No. 108 ..... .06
50c, No. 109 ..... .08
75c, No. 110 ..... .13
$1.00, No. 111 .... .20
$2.00, No. 112 .. .25
$5.00, No. 113 .... .30

1909-14 Postage.
5c, No. 117 ..... .03
10c, No. 118 ..... .06
15c, No. 119 ..... .04
20c, No. 120 ..... .04
25c, No. 121 ..... .05
30c, No. 122 ..... .06
50c, No. 123 ..... .08
75c, No. 124 ..... .13
8c on 3c, No. 128 .04
2c, No. 134 ..... *.03
3c, No. 135 ..... *.04

1918 Postage.
1c, No. 163 ..... .02
2c, No. 164 ..... .03
5c, No. 165 ..... .03
10c, No. 166 ..... .05
15c, No. 167 ..... .10
20c, No. 168 ..... .10
25c, No. 169 ..... .15
30c, No. 170 ..... .15
50c, No. 171 ..... .25

1882-91
5c, No. 50 ..... .20
10c, No. 51 ..... .13
25c, No. 52 ..... .13
5c, No. 53 ..... .05
1fr, No. 57 ..... .15
10fr, No. 59 ..... .50
7c, No. 84 ..... *.35

1894
1c to 10c, Nos. 90 to 94, ea. *.02
16c, No. 95 ..... *.07
1k, No. 96 ..... .03
2k, No. 97 ..... .04
5k, No. 98 ..... .04
*50k, No. 100 .... .30

1898
1c to 12c, Nos. 104 to 111, ea. *.02
*16c, No. 112 .... .05
*1k, No. 113 ..... .03
*2k, No. 114 ..... .04
*3k, No. 115 ..... .05
*4k, No. 116 ..... .05
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1c, No. 396 ..... .02
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5c, No. 398 ..... .02
10c, No. 399 ..... .04
15c, No. 400 ..... .04
20c, No. 401 ..... .04
25c, No. 402 ..... .05
30c, No. 403 ..... .06
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A few days ago I listened to the animated conversation of two friends of mine who are interested in collecting stamps. They are called "philatelists" —experts in this line.

Both these men are well-to-do, so well-to-do, indeed, that neither has any particular business. They are so situated that the lure of business or profession has no attraction for them.

They have reached the time of life when it is natural to settle down and take it easy. There is no one of the ordinary incentives to get them out of bed and into the open with the usual physical and mental activities of the business or profession.

Men "retire" from business because they "have made their pile," or because they have tired of money-making or of the demands of professional life. They imagine they are to enjoy ease, and they make all sorts of plans for the long anticipated "vacation."

As a matter of fact, they become bored most speedily, they actually yearn for the old activities, they suffer from a form of "home sickness," and—in a very large percentage of cases—they die within a short time.

Years ago I made note of the process of "retirement" of half a dozen prominent business men. Every one died within a year of withdrawal from active life.

We need the stimulation of competition and the urge of a regular calling, no matter what that calling may be. To have the heart beat regularly and strongly there must be mental or physical activity. Without such action of the heart, the organs do not function. The kidneys, liver, stomach, intestines and the brain itself must have an abundance of blood or their action fails. The reason why doctors prescribe walking, swimming. horseback riding, travel or other forms of change from the usual daily program, is because it is necessary to improve the circulation, and in this way to put the whole body in good working condition.

Many persons who are engaged in sedentary occupations are well as can be. Their cheeks and lips are pink, their hands and feet warm, and they glow with health. This is because they love their work. They get pleasantly excited over it. The heart action is stimulated by the emotions.

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Malta.—The 10/- duty on the old C.A. paper has been changing hands at £5 and over. Of this, about 1600 were issued and it is interesting to compare it with certain other modern rarities which exist in similar number, such as Lagos 2/6 S.C.A. and Grenada 1906 10/-, from which it would appear that if the above price is right, many of the scarce items of the Edwardian period are undervalued, and those keen on the financial possibilities of their stamps may benefit by the knowledge.

The 2/-, Self-Government on the old C.A. paper, although much dearer than three months ago, is probably only at the commencement, as yet, of its upward career. Of the low values the 2½d, 3d and 6d on the old C.A. paper are all likely to turn out well, the later duty on script paper is also well worth watching.

It is seldom that one finds palpable errors in the Red Gibbons, but the numbers given for the totals of the "N.F." surcharges on the ½d and 1d Nyasaland stamps must be very wide of the mark, as large stocks of these are still in existence, and the catalogue quotation will doubtless show a further decrease. The three higher values with the same overprint are very much scarcer, and the issue of these must have been very limited.

Some of the old "White Back" varieties are on the upgrade again, after a comparatively slack period. Especially some of the higher values, of which can be mentioned the Ceylon 5 rupee, Nigeria 5/-, and Brit. Guiana 96c, all on surface-tinted paper, which are well worth watching and likely to show increases.

Many of the high values of the first-named colony (Ceylon) have turned out well, the Single C.A. set being the best, of which the highest denomination, 2r 25, reached 22/- at a recent London auction.

The Universal series of 1910 has always been scarce, but a largish parcel recently coming on the market will tend to ease prices a little.

Trinidad and Tobago.—For those wanting a good range of shades, still to be picked up cheaply, Trinidad and Tobago offers an interesting study. The ½d on bluish paper is not often seen, whilst the 5/- duty on the old paper exists in 4 or 5 quite distinct shades, not yet listed; these were all relatively small printings and are now obsolete. The same duty for Trinidad alone is becoming scarcer and the 1901-6 issue on S.C.A. paper is the best, but of the lower values the 1904-5 set on multiple paper has turned out very scarce, whilst the 2½d issue of 1910, with figures all four corners, is another good little stamp.

Nigeria.—Now that Nigeria has been unified, a very large mail arrives every week bearing these stamps and most values up to 2/6 are common. Above this, however, they are very much scarcer, and well worth acquiring on the current Catalogue basis, in view of the changes pending.

The 1/- on emerald throughout is now in general use, the older colour having been used up, but the 1/- on emerald surfaced paper had only a short life and is much better mint than used.

Of the old issues for the Northern territory, it is worth noting that the 5/- duty of K. George is under-priced and is scarcer than the 5/- Edward. Of the Edwards the 1905 issue has turned out very well, and all values of this set above 2d are scarce either mint or fine used. The Georgian issue for Southern Nigeria has also turned out much better than appeared likely a few years ago. All the 5/- denominations of this colony, and of which five different issues were made, have turned out very well, and do not appear to have been in much demand for postal purposes. Of the lower values, the 2½d and 4d are generally the scarcest, both mint and used, and the unconventional design of this Colony is much more attractive than the type at present in use and has made it a very popular group.

Rhodesia.—The modern emissions of Rhodesia have been in considerable demand recently. Curiously enough the Arms type has not turned out so well, probably because it was also on sale in London, but the double portrait type is likely to do better and big increases may be expected in the next catalogue. Several interesting perforation varieties exist, of which the 8d, perf. 13½, is one that appears to be scarce, judging by the price demanded by London dealers. Some of the Die II varieties of the current series also are elusive, whilst the perf. 15 set in both series contains some really scarce items as yet unpriced.

B. W. I.—An interesting problem may arise shortly as to the status of certain stamps released in London but not issued in the Colony. The 2½ Trinidad in blue on script paper was sold in some quantities from London but, although sent out to the Colony, it was decided not to place them on sale owing to the arrival of the 3d blue, but it is stated a few appeared by mistake at a certain post office.

Like the Edwardian series, some of the Georgian issues of St. Lucia are turning out well. The 1/- on green and in brown may do well, whilst the 2½d blue on script is likely to show a considerable increase on present quotations The corresponding stamp of Grenada will probably be still better, as it has already appeared in grey, but it is noteworthy that no colour has been definitely settled yet for the 2½d duty.—*Philatelic Magazine.*

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STAMPS OF FALKLAND ISLANDS.

By DOUGLAS B. ARMSTRONG.

Amongst the lesser stamp issuing colonies of the British Crown, the postal issues of the Falkland Islands are particularly attractive to the moderate specialist in philately, on account of their handsome design no less than their actual philatelic interest. The normal issues are comparatively easy of completion and make moreover an exceedingly handsome display, whilst the philatelic student will discover that there are many elusive varieties to be sought after. For him the chief interest lies in the well defined shades of the 1891-96 series, which owing to the small amount of postal business transacted usually represent individual printings.

By reason of their artistic appearance and delicate engraving the stamps of the Falkland Islands have always been held in high esteem by philatelists, the high values of 1898 in particular being universally regarded as some of the most beautiful examples of the stamp engravers' art that have been produced. In point of intrinsic value they have appreciated to a remarkable extent within the past eight or nine years, and owing to the small numbers printed of the earlier issues are becoming every year increasingly hard to obtain.

EARLY POSTAL FRANKS.

Prior to the year 1858 no organized postal arrangements appear to have existed at Port Stanley, the chief settlement of the Falkland Islands, but according to a statement made by the Colonial Postmaster, published in the Royal Philatelic Society's work on *West Indies* on June 25th, 1858," the rate of sixpence was fixed for postage of all letters, books and papers not exceeding half an ounce, to be prepaid by affixing the following stamps."

The "stamp" referred to is an oblong handstamp enclosing the words "FALKLAND—PAID—ISLANDS" in three lines, but there is reason to believe that this was not actully brought into use until March 11th, 1868, nearly ten years later. It did not represent any particular value, but was applied to all mail matter which had been prepaid in cash, according to the prevailing tariff.

Some ten years later a second type of postal frank was introduced, circular in form, and enclosing the same inscriptions, but struck in red. Both "franks" continued in use until the issue of adhesive postage stamps in June, 1878, an event which foreshadowed the entry of the Colony into the Universal Postal Union on January 1st, 1879.

Ten years later the original handstamps used for impressing these postal "franks" were still in existence, and about the year 1889 a number of posthumous impressions from them were made on behalf of certain collectors upon scraps of plain white paper.

FIRST POSTAGE STAMPS.

Meanwhile an order for a supply of 1d and 6d postage stamps of special design had been placed through the Colonial agents in London with Messrs. Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co., a well known London firm of bank note engravers and printers, who were just then invading the postage stamp field.

For the main feature of the stamp design this firm made use of a master-die bearing the head of Queen Victoria in an oval, looking to the right, which was also used for certain stamps of the Transvaal produced at the same period, the frame work and inscriptions surrounding the vignette being added by hand.

It is probable that the engraver responsible for this most artistic stamp was the late Mr. Herbert Bourne, who is known to have been one of several engravers working for Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co., at the time. Unfortunately no record was kept of the artist to whom this particular piece of work was entrusted. The source of this delicate profile portrait of Queen Victoria, which is unlike any other to be found upon the stamps of her reign, is likewise veiled in obscurity, although it was reproduced upon some Essays for Postal Orders or Postal Office Notes which were submitted about this time.

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36	10c rose lilac	3.25	1.00	.80
36a	10c pale rose	3.25	1.00	.80
37	5c olive green ...	7.00	2.25	1.80
39	15c gray	1.50	1.00	.80
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The earliest printings were made upon thin, hard, greyish-white, wove paper, without watermark, and the sheets were perforated on a single-line machine gauging 14 to 14½. The outer edges of the sheets were frequently left imperforate. Copies may be found showing portions of the paper makers watermark.

These two stamps were first placed on sale by the Falkland Islands Post-office on June 19th, 1878, the 1d representing the local single letter rate, and the 6d the fee upon letters to Great Britain. Following the admission of the Falkland Islands to the Postal Union the charge upon letters to all Postal Union countries was reduced to 4d per half ounce, and in September of the same year a stamp of that denomination, together with a 1s value, was brought into use, both derived from the same matrix die, and printed in sheets of 60 (six rows of 10) as before.

1st Issue, 1878-79.

1d claret (19th June, 1878)
4d grey-black (Sept., 1879)
6d green (19th June, 1878)
1s bistre-brown (Sept., 1879)

WATERMARKED ISSUE 1884.

From the commencement of 1884 the printers were furnished by the Crown Agents for the Colonies with the special watermarked paper provided for printing Colonial stamps supplied through their agency.

The grouping of the watermarks (in ten rows of six), however, did not coincide with the make-up of the Bradbury, Wilkinson plates, consisting of *six rows of 10 replicas* of the design, with the natural consequence that the watermark in this issue is almost invariably off-centre, and, indeed, it is seldom that a stamp showing a complete Crown CA watermark is met with.

Only the 1d and 4d denominations were included in this issue, as, owing to the reduction in postal charges, the others were in but little demand.

1884, February.

1d red-brown (Wmk. Crown CA).
4d olive-black.

SIDEWAYS WATERMARK 1886.

No further printing of Falkland Islands stamps appears to have been made until the early part of 1886, when the 1d value appeared with the watermark sideways, instead of upright. This was the result of an experiment in cutting the sheets of watermarked paper with a view to making them fit the plates more exactly, and so avoid the issue of stamps without watermark. A new printing of the 4d stamp, issued at the end of the same year, also had the watermark sideways.

1886

1d claret (May).
4d olive-black (Dec.).

PROVISIONAL ½d 1891

The reduction of postage upon letters to Great Britain and the Colonies from 4d to 2½d per half ounce gave rise to a demand for postage stamps of the latter denomination, or failing that a ½d duty, to make up the new rate. Neither of these being available, the following official notification was published.

Government Notice.

"Notice is hereby given that on and from the 1st of January next, letters posted for Great Britain, India, and the Colonies, will be charged at the rate of 2½d, the single rate instead of 4d as hitherto. Until the arrival of 2½d stamps, the 1d stamp cut in two diagonally, may be used for halfpenny stamps, thus:—

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The above notice makes no mention of any surcharge, and it was probably as an afterthought that the Colonial Postmaster caused a supply of 1d stamps to be twice overprinted with the figure "½d" by means of a metal handstamp in black. Postally used halves of the 1d claret are, indeed, known without the surcharge. A new printing of the 1d stamp in an orange-brown shade received in December, 1891, was also employed for the production of these ½d provisionals for a few weeks, until they were finally abolished by a Post Office Notice dated January 11th, 1892, which stated that "from this date any letters received with the Provisional Halfpenny stamp affixed will be treated as insufficiently paid to the amount of ½d, and the addressees will be liable to double the deficiency."

Double and inverted surcharges exist in this issue as well as impressions struck partly upon the half stamp and partly upon the letter to which it is affixed.

1891, Jan.-Dec.

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"½d" on bisected half of 1d claret (Jan.).
"½d" on bisected half of 1d claret (inverted).
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"½d" on bisected half of 1d claret (Sideways).
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SCOTT'S DRAWS THE LINE.

By EDWARD L. WENZ.

Scott's, so we are informed in their September *Monthly,* to relieve their catalogue of at least a few unnecessary and undesirable things, have decided to draw the line and, as a beginning, are not listing stamps issued for propaganda or advertising purposes. Overprints that do not alter the face value of the stamps or their mode or place of use are to be banned. The Malay-Borneo exhibition, the Costa Rica coffee sacks, and the Salvadors overprinted "Centenario" are cited as examples.

Now, I hold no brief for the Borneo, Costa Rican, or Salvadorean stamp manufacturers, but it strikes me that Scott's are presumptuous in their attempt to dictate to collectors what they shall buy and collect. If they should make their ruling retroactive, it would indeed have the effect of making the catalogue more comfortable in one's pocket—however, dropping a few items, whilst they retain hundreds of others of a similar character, is not going to remedy matters. For example, would they dare strike out the Leewards Sexagenaries—to me the most alluring set this colony has produced and for which many collectors must have paid very fancy prices. Then the Uruguay "Par" stamps occur to my mind and a host of others, all very instructive and highly interesting. To me the Costa Rican stamps with the coffee sack overprint are the most interesting of all this little country's issue. Before their appearance I had not known that Costa Rica had produced coffee for a hundred years or at all, but these little stickers have stamped it indelibly on my mind. They are as full of interest and to my way of thinking as collectible as surcharges that make a half-penny stamp out of a 5 shilling one or transform a Leewards' into a Barbudan. The same is true of the Malay "Exhibitions" and Salvador "Centenarios."

It is very true that some of these stamps may be speculative but why have collectors never attempted to protect themselves against the truly speculative stamp. This is not a job for dealers, naturally many of them would handle most anything that they can acquire advantageously and dispose of profitably, nor do I mean to accuse stamp dealers in the main of dishonesty of purpose—they simply would lack complete information.

I am not a profound philatelist and when I add that I have a passion for the stamps of Liberia, ultra-respectable collectors of early imperforates and U. S. before '69 will, of course, have no sympathy with or for me. Nevertheless, there must be many collectors with perverse notions like myself and it is to such that I especially appeal—collectors who delight in Salvador and Nicaragua and Costa Rica and all such like. Collecting Liberia, I am naturally aware that many of their stamps—not only of the surcharged varieties where the almost criminal purpose is palpably evident but even of their regular issues—have been prepared solely for collectors to feed upon. And, of course, many of the Central and South American and Neuropean countries have sinned most fearfully. Does not even England wink at this habit in the issues of her colonies? I read that Barbuda has 200 inhabitants and to be sure they must have their set of stamps—and that is only an instance.

Why cannot the collectors of the world decide what are and what are not legitimate and collectible stamps? Why could not the leading societies of all countries, through their representatives, select a commission composed of one or several persons of undoubted integrity, which commission would decide upon the legitimacy of all stamps as issued. This to my notion is the most crying need in philately today. With such a commission operating, the "a b c" varieties at $2.50 each and the gumpaps would disappear from the catalogues and stamp collectors could have new overcoats every few years.

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NEW ISSUES FROM GUATEMALA.

By C. M. TYLER.

In *Scott's Monthly Journal* for September is recorded the new issues of provisionals from Guatemala, being Nos. 192-201, or a series of ten of the 25 centavos on 75c, 1p and 2p of the 1902 issue; on the 30c, 60c, 90c and 3p of the 1919 issue, and on the 1p 50c, 5p and 15p of the 1921 issue. There is a note at the bottom stating, "There are five types of the numerals "25."

This foot-note does not clearly explain the number of each type and would lead the average collector to understand that there are as many of one type as of the other. This is not so, for on examining the sheets, and designating the types in the same order as found in the sheet, there are 57 copies of type I; 30 of type II; 3 of type III; 8 of type IV, and 2 of type V. The arrangement of the various types is as follows:—First row, all type I; second row, 9 of type I with the tenth stamp of type II; third row, 9 of type II, the tenth stamp being type III; fourth row, 8 of type IV, the ninth and tenth stamps being type V; fifth and eighth rows the same as the first row; sixth and ninth rows the same as the second row, and the seventh and tenth rows the same as the third row.

If the sheets are broken up to the best advantage to the specialist, who would desire as many of each types in one single block as he could get, there could only be one block of nine which would show all types, being the eighth, ninth and tenth stamps in the second, third and fourth rows. In addition, there could be gotten out of each sheet two vertical strips of three showing types I, II and III; seven vertical strips of three showing types I, II and IV; eight blocks showing types I and II; four blocks of four showing type I only; two vertical pairs showing types I and II, leaving twelve single stamps of type I. It can easily be seen that types I and II will be the common varieties, while the others will command higher prices, especially types III and V.

A new 12½ centavos stamp has just been issued, showing as a center design the Palacio de Centenario, printed in light green. This stamp, as usual, is the work of Waterlow of London.

Arrangement of the five types on August, 1922 provisionals, 25c.

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Types I to V as shown.

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By W. WARD.

Lord Northcliffe was "not fair" when he founded the "Propaganda in Enemy Countries" Committee, and he was most certainly unfair when he copied the German 10 and 15pf stamps for affixing on missives for posting within Germany itself!

From a philatelic point of view, these British imitations—forgeries if you like—were far from as good as they might have been and their very perforation betrayed the fact that they had been executed by the printers of the British Stamps.

Two values were imitated, the 10pf red and the 15pf violet, Germania types for use on printed matter, postcards and letters respectively. They did not have a very long life, as naturally the sedulous correspondence soon got to the Wilhelmstrasse, and it was not long before it was discovered that the Imperial Post-office itself was aiding and abetting entente propaganda by carrying and distributing the missives.

These "Spy Stamps" as the Germans called them—are fairly and easily distinguishable from the originals. Both the T and H of Deutsches are without serifs. In the originals the eyebrow of Germania joins the shading to the eye pupil, but does not reach the forehead whereas in the imitations the eyebrow is heavy, and joins the profile of the face, and there is no shading between the eye and the brow. There are of course other minor differences, but these are the most noticeable. The imitations are perforated 14 x 14¾-15, as the current British Stamps, whereas the "Kaiser's Own" had an all round perforation of 14. The paper on which they were printed is a "dead" white, and the originals were on a toned. Imitations were also prepared for use in Bavaria, Austria and Hungary, but owing to the early discovery of the corrupt "German" stamps, they were never brought into use.

The British were however not the first to avail themselves of the enemy's postal services. The Germans, it was discovered, had an ideal method of giving exact particulars of the course and damage done by a Zeppelin during its travels by posting apparently harmless letters which would pass the most exacting censor. The only information carried was the particular postmark that the packet or postcard bore.

This was discovered after the great raid over Lancashire, when Bolton and other towns were attacked, and afterwards the cancelling of mail following the raid was purposely left until the town of destination was determined or by a travelling mail tender.

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—We were grieved to hear of the death of Charles Roemer of San Antonio, Texas, a gentleman whose allegiance to philately endured through scores of years. We are grateful to Mr. Parsons, the secretary-treasurer of the Texas Philatelic Association, for a photograph of Mr. Roemer from which we have had made a half-tone to accompany Mr. Parsons sketch of Mr. Roemer.

—The Milwaukee Philatelic Society is early in issuing its programme for the coming season; and we notice that the calendar is filled out to July 15, 1923.

—From Dr. C. F. Rich we have received a postal card with the cancellation, "Briefmarken-Handlermesse," meaning Stamp Dealers' Exposition of Leipzig. Inscriptions on the postal card are translated, above, "Take (or open up) a post check account" and below, "Paper-value addition, 10pf," that is, the buyer has to pay 10pf extra to the 75pf for postage, for the value of the card.

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—Correspondents of N. B. Paulson, the Chicago dealer, are notified that Mr. Paulson has been suffering from a serious illness, but that at last accounts he was getting ready for his office work once more.

—It has been a matter of regret to the WEEKLY that the half-tone of the three generations of Charles Whitfield Kings in the issue of September 16, did not come out more clearly. It was no doubt due to the character of the photograph used for illustration. Mr. King, Senior, has just sent us some printings taken upon a heavy white stock from a half-tone that was finely executed. A specimen will be sent to anyone asking for the same and a request to Charles Whitfield King, Ipswich, England, will be responded to with pleasure.

—J. L.—We do not know of any catalog of foreign revenues that is up to date. We advise you to write F. H. Vallancey, 89 Farringdon St., London, England.

—The committee in charge of the International Stamp Exhibition to be held in London, May 14-26, 1923, has just issued a very handsome prospectus. It contains a list of the "Committee of Honor," illustrations showing the exhibition headquarters, plan of stalls, and a new model stamp factory. The scheme of competitions is fully described, with rules governing the same. The prospectus is printed in colors, consists of 12 large pages and may be obtained from F. J. Melville, 14 Sudbourne Rd., Brixton, London, England.

—Arthur Barger informs us that the Northern Stamp Co., operating from Montreal, Canada, has removed its business from that city to Framingham, Mass., where offices have been taken in the Barger Building. Mr. Barger's venture in the northern city was not sufficiently satisfactory to warrant his continuing there, and he believes that he can serve his business to better advantage at the new location.

—E. M. A.—We take the liberty of answering your question publicly. We know of no market for back volumes of the WEEKLY. So many societies and individuals offer back numbers for transportation charges that the market is apparently glutted.

—We have received from W. R. King a list of advertising cancellations, one of which is new to us. It comes from Hutchinson, Kans., and reads as follows:—"50th Anniversary Hutchinson & Reno County, Kansas State Fair, Sep. 16-22, 1922".

—J. C. Matthews, Olympia, Wash., would like to know the present whereabouts of W. K. Braman, formerly 308 So. Williams St., Bay City, Mich.

—Milwaukee has furnished us with a new advertising cancellation. It reads as follows:—"Wisconsin Products Exposition, Milwaukee, Dec. 14-20".

—The Jax Novelty Co. has taken out a 5000 line contract with the WEEKLY. This means a lively and energetic campaign upon the part of this firm during the coming winter.

—Rev. R. Stollenwerk has but recently returned from an extended European trip and the philatelic results of the trip will be reflected in his advertising during the coming winter. He has just taken displayed space in our columns. Mr. Stollenwerk is largely entitled to the credit of assembling the famous Powell packets which were formerly advertised in the WEEKLY.

—A. W. Whitten who has sent us many advertising postal cancellations, submits from Hope, Ark., "Arkansas State Fair, Little Rock, October 9-15, 1922".

—Many subscribers are sending us clippings, the receipt of which is acknowledged in this public manner. We use all that our limited space justifies, and regret we cannot show a heartier appreciation of the services rendered.

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The postal department is certainly forehanded. It is issuing its instructions for handling the Christmas Mail and we shall clip for use elsewhere, the regulations attending the employment of precancelled stamps.

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Please do not call us down for the general aspect of the new eleven-cent stamp; we didn't print it. Anyhow, we have the opinion that a postage stamp, while it may be a thing of beauty, should have a practical side, judging from the use to which the stamp is put. We should like to print the remarks of one of the critics of the new stamps who addresses himself to the Babbitts of the P. O. D., but he is too severe; he dwells in the clouds and should come down to earth and mingle with the men on the street.

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We read that "an excellent writing-ink may be made by soaking discarded typewriter ribbons in water" but a scout has just phoned us that he has an easier way in which to manufacture writing fluid. He says that after soaking a few hundred used current Dutch Indies he found that most of the color of the stamps remained in the water.

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It is curious to notice that the stamps that have advanced in price in the advance sheets of the new catalogue are appearing almost to the exclusion of all other stamps, on the want-lists of collectors throughout the country. In this connection we are paging the old-fashioned dealer who did not increase his prices on stock until the catalogue actually had appeared.

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A reader tells us that he was the victim of the worst case of insomnia on record that would not give way to any treatment. He says that he read last night in a house organ, the following, and fell into a deep sleep, just as he got to the end: "How they perforate their stamps in Poland, we don't know. Probably they throw the pins at the sheet and trust to luck, judging by a parcel of used recent issues we have just sorted, in which there were thirty-one different perfs.! Some of these are going to be rare."

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Certain of our remarks have interested several readers sufficiently to lead them to write us giving their views on some of the subjects discussed recently and we have been asked to pursue a few of the topics, one of which is the need for improved conditions in marketing collections. One commentator "doubts whether facts bear out our optimism" in saying that the field of disposal has been broadened latterly, and he cites his experiences in converting "a lot of valuable stamps" into money, which soured him on the dealers in his town from whom he had bought the stamps "some years ago," in support of his contention. Finally, he was "forced" to sell the stamps to one of the ungracious dealers for "about half" of the price paid for the stamps, originally. We assume that our correspondent is a business man and we know that he thinks that he did not receive a square deal. We shall give our complainant the benefit of the doubt and say that the condition of his valuable stamps bought "some years ago" had not a good percentage of their value wiped away by the condition demands that today enter so largely in stamp appraisal. The externals of the case may be dismissed by saying that there are many dealers who bring a reasonable degree of courtesy to bear in their relations with sellers, and it is unfortunate, of course, that an occasional dealer departs from the line of approved conduct in this regard, but "shop methods" are a matter of choice on the part of the dealer. If he is disposed not to recognize the advantage of courteous treatment of customers, he may play fast and loose with established custom, as he will.

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If the "valuable lot of stamps" once possessed by our correspondent was worth much more than the price realized, he paid the penalty of not trying the slower methods of conversion, such as the auction sale and the sales department of the best society. Too, he should have sought the dealers of other cities as possible buyers of the stamps. If his need for cash was urgent, he probably was in the weak position of the man who just has to raise money. We are not given specific information of the character of the valuable stamps but we do know that if they were in the "desirable" class, it is strange that he could not liquidate to better advantage. We could cite cases where dealers have paid much more for stamps than they sold them for, after a lapse of years, it is needless to say; and the differences in favor of the collector in some instances are sensational. Now and then a collector is found who is deficient in what in card games would be called card sense; and when he cashes in, he finds that his lack of proper contact has wasted some of his money. The stamp buyer who turns seller must exercise his salesmanship as much, if not more, as the dealer did who first sold him the stamps; and at best, for quick cash, he must pay an added tithe. He buys at retail and sells at wholesale. To a great degree, the auction market reflects the value of stamps and the commission charge is no onerous toll. The sales departments of a few societies are acceptable vehicles for stamp movement; and some collectors have cultivated the possibilities of "private sale" to profitable ends. In fact, we know that it is easier to place stamps today than ever before and that the position of the seller is improving.

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What everybody in stamps should work for is an active market. Dealers will not try to sail against the wind. As they are compelled to re-stock, they will have to pay higher prices for their wares to meet the competition of other dealers, who must restore depleted stocks. A lively market is maintained by an increasing number of collectors and, too, of dealers; and it is on the recruiting of the collecting ranks that effort should be centered. At least the number of the stamps in a closed issue does not increase and when the greater demand comes from a larger number of collectors, prices are strengthened. The advance comes before the increase in the catalogue price as the catalogue takes cognizance of a price-raising demand after and not before it becomes a reality. It is not the place of the catalogue to anticipate demand but it is its duty to show the effect of demand on price.

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There are stamps and stamps. Some stamps are suitable for investment; some are suitable for the investment of the "spare funds of the business man"; some for "spec-vestment"; some for speculation and some for a gamble, according to the sign of the dollar. A few collectors have the ability of discriminating between the classes of stamps almost as shrewdly as a financier can analyze securities. We think that the successful dealer has a pretty sound sense in this regard and in buying stamps from collectors he brings it into play. The collector should strive to match this ability by studying conditions as affecting stamps and in this connection, no blanket instructions may be given, as there are too many cross-currents to allow of generalization. One of our greatest students of stamps in their market phases when asked what stamps he thought could best be bought for profit said that if he knew, he would be the first to buy them. However, the big buyer always has a good reason for buying the stamps that he does and in the purchase of the stamps he uses the same acumen that marks his transactions in more material things.

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COMMUNICATION.

TO THE EDITOR:

With reference to the Rev. J. B. Dudek's article on Insurance of stamp collections, it may interest my co-readers to know of my experience in this matter.

On September the 4th last year I took out an "All-risks Policy" with Lloyds, London, through brokers in N. Y. (Van-Derhoef and Cawley Co.), half of which covered personal belongings and half my stamp collection, the premium on the whole being rather high at 2.25% but in view of the difficulties experienced by my collector friends I was very pleased to be able to get insurance at all. A few days ago while in New York, called on the above named brokers mainly to see about my automobile insurance and while I was there I was shown a cable from the firm's agents in London, which stated that they could *no longer* carry insurance on stamp collections as Lloyds had made a ruling against it. I was, of course, disappointed, but the Rev. Dudek's statement certainly appears encouraging and as I am returning to England to live next month I will be able to look into the question when I get home, and will be glad to let you know the result of my investigations.

Yours very truly,
C. E. CALDERARI.

DEATH OF CHARLES ROEMER.

By H. S. PARSONS.

Philately has lost another well-known figure by the death of Charles Roemer, which occurred at San Antonio, Texas, on August 24th, shortly after he had undergone a severe operation.

He was born October 13, 1852, in Frankfort-on-the-Main, Germany, and spent his early life in that city, where he was connected with a large banking in-

stitution. In 1886 he went to London, and in the following year he came to the United States, engaging in the raising of cattle in Calhoun County, Texas. Since 1890 he has resided in San Antonio.

As a youth he became interested in the study and collecting of postage stamps and in his first collection accumulated many stamps which today command high prices. After taking up his residence in San Antonio, he entered actively in business as a stamp dealer and followed this vocation until his death.

He became a member of the Texas Philatelic Association in 1897, and as a member and an officer rendered valuable service in behalf of that organization throughout his long period of membership. He served as Exchange Superintendent (in charge of sales) from 1899 to 1904, from 1906 to 1908, and again in 1912 and 1913. In 1915 he was elected Sales Superintendent, filling this position until 1921, when he gave up the work to devote his entire time to his private interests.

He became affiliated with the old Southern Philatelic Association in its infancy and in 1906 was honored with the presidency of that body. He was Sales Superintendent of the S. P. A. from 1907 to 1915, and later resigned from that society. He was also a member of the American Philatelic Association for many years.

His association with stamps for more than fifty years developed a keen judgment of stamps and their values and gave to him a rare knowledge of philatelic matters. He possessed to a remarkable degree the faculty of remembering individual stamps passing through his hands, a gift comparable to that of remembering faces and names. In looking over collections he would frequently point out stamps he had sold years before and relate the details of the bygone sales.

His integrity was manifested in all his personal and business relations, and he unfailingly adhered to the principle of the square deal.

He was married in 1890 to Miss Mathilda Sonneman. Surviving him are his widow, four sons, Francis A., of Houston, Texas; Roland C., of Hoboken, N. J., and Carl R. and Herman G., of San Antonio, and one grandson, Carl R., Jr. Three brothers are also left, Adolph and Gustave, of London, and Edward, of Frankfort-on-the-Main.

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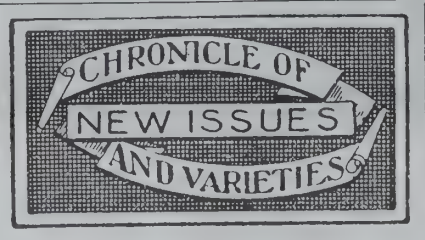

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

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United States.—Mr. H. W. Porter sends a clipping from one of the daily papers containing an announcement of the Postmaster General relative to the colors of some of the denominations of the new series. "Cigarette blue" is the official color of the 20c, so named because the same color of ink is used for printing the internal revenue cigarette stamps. "Secretary of Senate compensation check pink" is the description of the pink color of the 9c stamp and the 4c will be in a "Fifty-dollar Liberty Loan Bond back" brown. In other words the new 4c will be in about the same color of brown as the present issue, the 9c in a little deeper pink while the 20c will be in a blue. The 1c, 2c and 5c must, of course, be in green, red and blue respectively in order to meet with the U. P. U. requirements.

Mr. Erwin Strasser is the first to show us a copy of the new 11c stamps used from Fremont, Ohio, on the day of issue, namely, October 4th. Mr. Strasser also submits for inspection a vertical pair of the current 1c green, perforated 11, unwatermarked, imperforate between. He located this in a sheet of stamps that he had purchased at the post-office. Sometime back a similar variety of the same stamp was found in a horizontal pair.

Mr. B. K. Miller, Benj. Cadbury, L. G. Barrett, H. W. Porter and others have called our attention to the fact that the 1c stamps in sheets of one hundred now have the plate number in the corners instead of on the sides as heretofore. Through the kindness of Mr. L. B. Hill, Director of the Bureau of Engraving & Printing, we are able to inform our readers that the first plate so marked was number 13745, which was certified for press on May 12, 1922. Since then these rotary plates have had the number in this position.

Mr. A. E. Owen states that he finds some of the numbers which we have announced in accordance with the official lists furnished us were in error and we take pleasure in making the corrections. The following are the correct listings:

Plates.	Den.	Class.	Series.	Subj.
13810-13	1c	Ord. Cvd.	1911	170
13836-39	20c	Ord.	1911	400
13844-47	1c	Due	1894	400
13876-77	1c	Ord. Cvd.	1911	400
13852-55	8c	Ord.	1911	400
14002-05	2c	Ord.	1911	400

Mr. W. F. Goerner submits for inspection booklet panes of six of the current 1c showing a plate crack running vertically along the right edge of the pane. The crack is rather strong and is readily noticeable.

Rev. C. L. Young sends for inspection two new overprinted envelopes not listed heretofore.

1920-21, 2c on 3c Provisional Envelopes.
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Die A on buff, Size 5, Wmk. 19, L. B.
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During August we called our readers' attention to the fact that at the U. S. Postal Agency in Shanghai, there was issued early in July the 1c and 2c stamp with a local overprint. Through the courtesy of Mr. W. Irving Glover, Third Assistant Postmaster General, we are able to announce that on June 20, 1922, the Postal Agent at Shanghai, China, was authorized by the Department to have 20,000 each of the 1c and 2c ordinary postage stamps surcharged by a local printer and in a letter received from the Agent, dated August 3rd, it is stated that these stamps were placed on sale July 1st.

Mr. E. G. Young in writing further regarding this provisional issue states that "There were only two or three days when they would sell you a full pane. At first it was a block of 25, later five of each, and towards the end of the period you had to look innocent of philatelic attributes to get them at all! The local price is about 20c—say 11c in gold, and the Chinese dealers seem to have very few at that price." Regarding minor varieties, Mr. Young inspected panes of each value very carefully and found nothing "except for a few misshapen periods, and one or two slightly broken letters, probably more a matter of inking than anything else."

We wish to thank Messrs. Paul J. Siddall and Richard Shockley for notes of interest.

Azores.—The Economist Stamp Co. submit for chronicle a copy of the 8c dark green stamp of Portugal, with the usual overprint for use in this colony.

Egypt.—All values of the current series are to be overprinted with an Arabic superscription commemorating the proclamation of King Fuad, and that the definitive stamp with portrait of His Khedivial Majesty are to be issued in April next. These stamps are now being printed in London (not, as has been stated elsewhere, at the Boulac National Printing Bureau).—*Stamp Collecting.*

Gambia.—The new stamps have arrived and make a very attractive series. There are two designs, the lower values from ½d to 10d bear on the right the King's head in a shield, surmounted by a crown, on the left is an elephant and palm tree. The higher values are of larger size, but the King's head is in the centre with palm tree and elephant on each side. In all the 19 values the King's head is in black, and all are on script CA watermarked paper except those on yellow, which are with old CA watermark.

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ICELAND.—The Economist Stamp Co. have shown us the 5o in olive green and the 20o brown in the 1920 type.

ITALY.—The Economist Stamp Co. have sent us three values of a commemorative set of stamps that have recently been placed on sale. At the top of each are the words "Cinquantenario Mazziniano 1922". The values are 25c red, 40c brown and 80c blue. The first two are upright oblong stamps, the first showing a hand with a sword and beneath the figure the word "Amor"; the 40c has the portrait of the honored man. The other value shows a marble building with the name "Giuseppe Mazzini" above the entrance.

LEVANT *(Italian P. O.)*.—Yet another provisional, this time for Express letters: Surcharged on Express Delivery stamp of Italy. 15 piastres on 1.20 lire on 30c blue and rose. The line at the top of page 515 of our issue for September 16th should have read "Overprinted by lithography at the Printing establishment of Messrs. Andria, *Constantinople.*"—*Stamp Collecting.*

LUXEMBOURG.—A Philatelic Exhibition and Congress was held at Luxembourg from August 27th to 31st, and at a Post Office installed in the Exhibition, special postage stamps were on sale. These are of the type of the current issue, but are printed on paper watermarked with horizontal lines, and are imperforate. Only two values were issued, 25 and 30 centimes, of which 60,000 of each were printed, the 25c stamps are printed from plate No. 1, and the 30c from No. 4. The price of admission on the opening day was 5 francs, and each ticket of admission entitled the holder to purchase ten each of the special stamps. For the remaining four days the admission was 2 francs, entitling the visitor to purchase four pairs. The stamps were sold at their face value and the whole issue was exhausted before the close of the Exhibition. Letters posted at the Exhibition were stamped with a special postmark.—*Whitfield King & Co.'s Bulletin.*

SEYCHELLES.—The Economist Stamp Co. inform us of the appearance of the following values on script watermarked paper: 3c black, 4c green, 6c purple, 12c carmine rose, 15c yellow and 20c ultramarine.

A LETTER FROM MR. ADUIT.

We have just received a letter from A. Leon Adutt of Margate, England, president of the Isle of Thanet Philatelic Society. It has so much of interest in it that we reprint it in its entirety. The brochure referred to by him is a very interesting 32-page booklet dealing with the Cecil and containing as the author styles it "A glimpse of Old London and the New." As the headquarters of the great exhibition to be held in London next May, this hotel will be much in the public eye as a philatelic rendezvous. The letter follows:—

"I am in receipt of MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS of September 16th, containing your Editorial Review regarding the Confederate envelopes and plates and other matter that I had the pleasure of sending you recently. I thought I would just like to send these lines to thank you for your kind notice and I am also obliged to you for pointing out one or two errors that had unfortunately crept into the article, in reference to dates—these were purely printer's errors —no doubt owing to the trouble at the time in connection with the printers' strike. The article which appeared in the July number of the *London Philatelist* was really not published until late in August. I have had, however, numerous letters from all parts of America from well-known collectors, all expressing their appreciation of the photographs of the Confederate envelopes, as well as the little article I had the pleasure of contributing. I had no idea that the same would prove so popular and I am pleased to report that it has been the means of collecting quite a quantity of interesting matter that I had not hitherto obtained.

No doubt you have already received particulars of the forthcoming stamp exhibition but in case you have not, I have pleasure in sending under separate cover, the first brochure published in connection with the same, also particulars of the Hotel Cecil.

I had the pleasure—with Mr. F. Melville—of making the arrangement at this hotel for the forthcoming Congress and Exhibition, and I hope as many as possible of the delegates from overseas will make a point of making the Hotel Cecil their headquarters, as the management is going to some considerable trouble and I know are in every way interesting themselves with a view to making all their guests comfortable whilst under their roof.

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(The following editorial was taken from the Boston "Herald" and once again we have evidence of the fact that at least one upon the editorial staff of this great daily is following along the fortunes of philately. No daily paper in the country has made the valuable comment upon philatelic conditions and circumstances as has the "Herald".—W. O. W.)

France must issue shortly a new 50-centime stamp, in compliance with the Madrid postal convention. Whose face or figure shall be chosen for delineation? There is always at hand the artistic fancy of a figure representing Liberty, or one that may stand for France herself. If the face of a ruler be preferred, after the long prevailing fashion set by Alexander the Great in coinage, shall it be the face of Millerand or Poincare, or some other who, in former years, as president, king or emperor, directed the affairs of the French nation? Perhaps none of these. Some independent thinkers would like France to drop the habit of paying the highest honors to political celebrities. Consequently, the French government has before it the interesting proposal that the new postage stamp shall bear the portrait of Louis Pasteur.

That novel suggestion deserves serious consideration. By his life-long research as chemist and microscopist and his remarkable success in the application of his discoveries, Pasteur brought honor to his country, did her people and some of her valuable industries eminent service, and gave to the world a knowledge of diseases and a power of overcoming them that now work for the benefit of all humanity. His mastery of micro-organisms was a revelation to his contemporaries. It led to the revolution of surgical practice by Lister, and to that cultivation of bacilli and use of inoculation which counteract anthrax and other dangerous diseases. Of his research in the disease attacking the silk worm and his discovery of the active germ of vinous ferment, Huxley said that Pasteur's work in terms of money only was enough to cover the whole cost of the French war indemnity of 1870. The great pathologist devoted himself unselfishly to human service. A Pasteur postage stamp would do honor to France.

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A BOOST FOR U. S. REVENUES.

By H. R. J.

The revenue stamp branch of philately doesn't seem to be given much attention in your paper. Am still hoping to get a chance to obtain a new pamphlet bringing this matter up from 1898 to date. It is a wonderful field and the almost impossibility to obtain for instance the higher values of the present current documentary, stock transfer, and future delivery, etc., adds considerable interest. I presume many would like to see more on this subject.

What is more beautiful than the 1898-1902 battleship set, and the higher values also, but my goodness, what a fall from beauty the lower denominations of the 1914 and the present set, altho the $1.00 and up denominations of the 1914 and 1917 sets are quite presentable. To my mind the 1914 black Prop. set and the blue 1918 Prop. set, which were retired January 1, 1922, are not what would be called works of art. By the way, I had to obtain unused copies of the 20 and 40c of this set at the Chicago post-office, after signing up a death warrant and certificate required by the Int. Rev. Dept. I venture to say that few dealers have this entire blue set for sale, and the Government has probably destroyed them all by this time, and they are not listed in the stamps for sale by the Government Stamp Agency.

For real works of art the Civil War revenues 1862-1875 are hard to beat. The colors of these stamps for the most part hold well, but I can't see why the catalogues describe the 5c, 20c, 25c and $5.00 first issue as "red"; they are mostly brown. But I have several really "red" first issue $1.00, altho some of the $1.00 have faded to a brown. The greens of the first issue have held out against time very well and seem to be the best of the series for retaining color; this is especially true of the 70c, $3.00 and $10.00, also 3c, but the $50.00 Mortgage I have has faded some. Some of the second and third issue 1871-4 look as tho printed yesterday instead of 50 years ago; this is particularly true of my copies of the $5.00 and $10.00 third issue. My copy of the first issue $3.50 blue and $25.00 red, are really perfect. They evidently put time and expense into revenues in those good old days.

THE HOUSE OF CHAMPION.

Two years ago it was the writer's privilege to be in Paris for over a week, during which time he had the opportunity of seeing the philatelic life of this great city. He made his headquarters at a hotel near the stamp shop of Theodore Champion and made several visits to this famous store. A brochure is just at hand from the firm entitled "A Visit to the House," and it is wh a no small degree of pleasure that e review the same. The book is print on very heavy calendared stock. The are 24 pages and upon each page i a half-tone illustrating the various partments. The quaint staircase le ing to the first floor, the private office Mr. Champion, the office of the manag sales rooms, store rooms, wholesale partment, salon, pay office and publi tion room are among the features t tured. This booklet can no doubt e obtained by writing to Theodore Champion, 13 Rue Drouot, Paris, France. t is a work of art and the firm's regi for English patronage is shown by fact that it is printed in excellent E lish.

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1. The letters A., H., P D., appearing on the stamps of Azores, 1906, are the initial letters of the names of the three principal islands of the group, Angra, Horta and Ponta Delgada, which formerly were supplied with separate issues of stamps.

2.—The inscription "Afrique Occidentale Francaise means "French West Africa," and appears on the stamps of all the French colonies located in this region. The following is a list of these colonies.

Dahomey.	Senegal.
French Guinea.	Togo.
French Soudan.	Upper Volta.
Ivory Coast.	Upper Senegal
Niger Territory.	and Niger.
Mauritania.	

I believe that the stamps of Upper Senegal and Niger are now obsolete.

3.—The stamps of Panama, 1878, picture the isthmus of Panama, and show the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans. Latter issues of this country show maps of the isthmus, which contain portions of both oceans.

The stamps of the first issue of Costa Rica also picture two oceans, each with a ship on it, as in the case of the first issue of Panama, separated by a range of mountains.

The 1896 and 1897 issues of Nicaragua also depict a map showing portions of both the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans.

4.—The gentleman on the 1863-70 issues of France is Napoleon III, Emperor of France. The decoration of the laurel wreath was added to his portrait after the victories of his troops over the Austrians at Magenta and Solferino.

5.—I believe Italy's airpost issues of 1917 bear the earliest dates of any airmail stamps listed in Scott's Catalogue.

6.—I believe the country referred to by this question must be Jamaica, but a slight mistake has been made in the question, as Jamaica's issues now include four stamps picturing a contingent; both the 1½d green "Contingent embarking" and 2½d blue "Return of a Contingent" have appeared with both the old CA and with the Script watermark. The die for the 2½d on script paper has been re-engraved, correcting an error in the Union Jack.

7.—The motto "Dieu et Mon Droit," a portion of the arms of the royal family of England appears on the stamps of Antigua, 1903, which depict these arms.

8.—The 25 centimes stamp of the "Don Quixote" issue of Spain (1905) depicts Sancho Panza, esquire of the Knight Don Quixote being tossed in a blanket. I believe according to the story, Don Quixote and his esquire refused to pay for their lodgings at an inn, maintaining that it was the duty of the innkeeper to furnish them with food and lodging free of charge, as was expected in the days of real chivalry. In revenge the inn-keeper and his servants tossed the squire in a blanket, managing also to obtain possession of Panza's purse.

9.—I think that our own United States is the largest country, both in area and population, which has never issued a surcharged postal adhesive stamp.

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There are so many cancellations on what are called "Civil War Issues" that it is hard to decide just where to begin a description of the authentic varieties.

Mr. E. B. Sterling of Trenton, N. J., published in 1888 a list in his "Price Catalogue of the Revenue Stamps of the United States," numbering some 250 varieties on the regular issue, and 400 on the private die Match, Medicine, Perfumery, and Playing Card stamps, a number of them listed as "written dates." He says in regard to them: "A provisional substitute for the private dies not then in use, but afterward prepared for their special benefit, and also used by such firms while waiting for their stamps to be delivered by the Government, which in many cases were delayed through various causes; also such firms as had private medicines and used the regular Proprietary Stamps to advertise their specialties. Hence, these surcharged Stamps all have a history, and are worthy of a place in all collections of Revenues as Provisional issues."

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PHILATELIC NOTES FROM FRANCE.

By LOWELL J. RAGATZ.

I spent most of the month of September along the Riviera, and while I was interested chiefly in scenic sights, I was able to get hold of some nice things in the stamp line, and found out many matters of philatelic interest.

I motored from Grenoble, where I had been summering, to Nice, via the route over the French Alps. A few hours out of Barcelonnette, our party ran into a snowstorm which developed into a blizzard and piled up six-foot drifts. We sought refuge in a chalet some two kilometers away, and there we found a party of fourteen who had headed from Nice, and who had been snowbound since the preceding evening.

Among those in the chalet was the former commander-in-chief of the Dutch colonial forces with headquarters in Java. The general had seen thirty years of service in the Indies. I learned from him that some ten years ago, orders were given to government employees to save the stamps from all correspondence which came into their offices, these to be sent to Batavia.

This, of course, explains the source of the tremendous lot of carefully classified stamps, including huge quantities of official issues offered for sale at auction by the colonial administration of the Dutch Indies about four years ago. Persia conducted a similar sale about 1915. The example of these two countries might well be followed by many of the smaller states who are constantly pinched for lack of money. Dealers at least would prefer this to having stamps made for the sole purpose of reaching into the philatelist's purse.

There are two very fine stamp shops open in Nice during the summer, those of "Old Stamps" at 3 Boulevard Victor Hugo and of Ch. Creutz at 19 rue Hotel des Postes. Both are much above the ordinary American stamp shop in appearance, and both are on the ground floor. "Old Stamps" has a considerable stock of the early issues. Among the interesting things noted in the window display were Spain baby heads, 73 of 20c and 42 of 25c used on one cover, and 22 of 40c, 9 of 20c, 2 of 25c and 1 of 1P used on another. These are not philatelic covers, but were used in the regular course of business by a commercial house in Cadiz to another in Marseilles, in 1895.

Monsieur Creutz carries a very complete line of stamps, his counter books being among the most attractive I have ever seen. His shop is much frequented by foreigners and he does considerable advertising in tourist leaflets and on menus and in programs. As a sideline, he carries fountain pens and stationery.

I spent three days in Monaco and was as much interested in the postal service arrangements as I was in the Casino, where Mary Garden was doing spectacular playing and was giving her winnings to charity.

Monaco, as every one knows, is one of the six petty states of Europe, and is located in southeastern France, and has managed to maintain its independence solely through a series of historical accidents. But this sovereignty is purely nominal—a pleasant bit of fiction. For all practical purposes it is a part of France, and the postal service of the principality is in charge of the director of posts of the French Department of Alps Maritimes.

The whole country is situated around one bay, and in appearance is one city, and that a French one. However, there are four distinct cities, three in the principality, and one in France. The former are Monaco City on the promontory around the prince's palace, La Condamine around the port, and Monte Carlo built around the Casino; the latter is Beausoleil in the department of Alps Maritimes. Presumably no one, not even the natives, knows the exact boundaries of the three cities of the principality. I asked innumerable persons, and not one could tell me. As for that between Monte Carlo and Beausoleil, the matter is more simple. One has merely to look for the street on one side of which the posters bear French revenue stamps, and on the other side, they appear with Monacan revenues.

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Monaco has only 23,000 inhabitants, but there being three cities, there are three post-offices, each in charge of a commissioner under the director of posts at Nice. Stamp collectors supply about a fifth of the revenue of its postal department, according to the estimate of an official with whom I conversed. The same gentleman said that about one in 500 pieces of mail matter passing through the post was for the principality itself. French postal forms are used throughout, the stamps are printed in the same plant as the French ones and in the same sheet arrangement. Letters for France and *vica versa* travel at the French domestic rate of 25c.

At Monte Carlo I found a most obliging person in the person of M. Jouquet, who presides at the wholesale window. There were three persons, all collectors, in line ahead of me, and it was a delight to a philatelist's ears to hear him say, "Here is a beautifully centered block of four of the 5F. I saved it for a collector." He has a special post-office stock book (not a dealer's stock book!) in which copies for collections were available in singles and blocks, and furnishes customers with envelopes for their purchases.

On sale were Albert I, 1, 2, 5, 10, 15, 25 on 10, 40, 50 and the 75 with December surcharge centime values, the 1F Albert, and 5F palace type, the old type dues 1 and 5 centimes, the new type 1, 20 on 10, and 40 on 30 centimes. Also the 10 and 15 centime cards and the 10 centime letter sheets, and, strange as it may seem, French orphan charity stamps, the old unsurcharged issue. No Monaco charity stamps were available.

It will be noted that there is no unsurcharged 75c included in the above. There are none, the 75c yellowish-brown having been sold out in one day. No 75c whatever are available over the regular counter, the 75c December surcharges being in reserve for collectors only, although the normal price for this variety is now three francs, and M. Jouquet is well aware of the fact.

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Prince Louis, the new sovereign and a brigadier general in the French army, will be crowned in October. It is almost certain that the event will be marked in a philatelic way, and as absolutely nothing has been done in regard to a permanent new issue, a surcharge can be expected. The only question is as to on what stamps. It is considered unfitting to overprint the Albert issue; the charity ones have been used up as such or with the March surcharge. There remain the dues, which are scarcely likely to be employed, and the beautiful 5F palace type. Opinion has it that the latter will be selected for the occasion. It might be mentioned that British dealers have already placed orders.

As in France, the tobacco shops of Monaco sell stamps at retail. They handle solely two values, however, the 10c and the 25 on 10c.

Stamps of the principality are on sale in many places, such as curio shops, souvenir stands, and newspaper kiosks. They appear to come from a common source, where, I could not learn. Prices are very high, two and three times catalogue. These are intended for tourists, naturally.

A nice stock of all issues practically complete is on sale at the English Pharmacy, with quotations at current rates. The same firm has on sale a small general collection.

A collector consulting the latest edition of Yvert's cannot help feeling that had visitors to the principality invested in recent surcharges at face value instead of in Casino chips, they would have been very much the gainers.

At Marseilles, I visited the large, well-lighted second floor shop of J. Nitard Fils et Cie. This firm has a superb and well-balanced stock, with especially good items in early Europe and in the line of French colonials. I understand that it supplies the local kiosks and stands with the sets and packets which one sees at every turn. There is scarcely a block in the business section of the city where one cannot buy stamps of one sort or another for a collection.

At the colonial exposition there is much of interest to the collector. Current issues are on sale at face in the commissariats of the respective colonial pavilions. Huge quantities have been sold, but strangely enough, according to several persons in charge of stocks with whom I talked, the principal sales have been made in wholesale to persons who make up colonial packets and cry them on the grounds at the following prices—1c values at 1F the dozen varieties, packets of 25 varieties at 3F, of 50 at 5F, 100 at 10F, and 150 at 25F. I saw at least a dozen packet vendors, black, brown and white. At these prices, naturally, a handsome profit is made.

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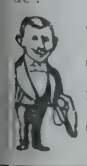
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stamps in frames appear in the respective postal exhibits. That of Tunis is of particular interest, as it includes the original designs of the current issue. The drawings are about twelve by eighteen inches, and are done in black and white, the design being drawn in ink, and the filling in work being done in wash. One has been touched up in colour to match the 35c. and that value has been filled in the tablet.

The Tunisian commissariat has not only the ordinary postage stamps on sale, like the others, but has the parcel post, the 1920 airplane, the regular postage dues, and the 1914 2F on 5F as well. The latter is a remarkably scarce stamp, and with dealers asking several times Yvert's price, it is somewhat of a surprise to find it on sale at face. These items are all in the hands of Madame Lombard, at the commissariat of Tunis. National Colonial Exposition, Marseilles. She carefully fills mail orders, but no orders, however, can be considered after November 1, the closing date of the exposition.

Among the exhibits of printing and publishing houses of France, I noticed a number of sample stamps in one and two colours and in different designs, printed in the plant of B. Arnaud of Paris and Lyons for submission to interested governments. It will be remembered that American Bank Note Company samples in several designs were prepared for a similar purpose some forty years ago and are now and then met with in auction sales.

In the Senegal exhibit, collections of scenic view cards each bearing a cancelled to order current 1c, were on sale in lots of 10, 25, 50 and 100 at 1, 6, 10 and 20 francs respectively.

In a small mountain settlement post-office four hours north of Marseilles I located a lot of about 150 imperforate dues, of the early issue, in between trains. Needless to say, I bought the lot.

All through southern France, Marseilles excepted, one sees a line of packets and sets put up in very distinctive form and supplied to small shop dealers by a firm in Lyons. I was told that a supply man calls regularly to check accounts and to leave new goods. At Toulon I noted an entire large show window given over to offerings of this concern. Prices ran rather high, that is, about catalogue, but the attractive arrangement and display of the goods sells enormous quantities. Very good clean copies are supplied.

I have noted that French dealers display their sample sets in the office, not in counter books as is done in the States, but in large frames. Most of the wall-space in the Nitard shop is covered with such sets in frames.

I have learned through correspondence with a Parisian dealer and with two American collectors in Paris, that the available supplies of a European number 1 and of a certain low-priced but popular and rather hard-to-get United States stamp are being taken up. Several thousand dollars have been invested already. I do not feel free to name the stamps, but as news of this kind soon leaks out, two sharp boosts will certainly soon occur, as was the case in the prices of Norway, No. 1, and of the odd value 1901 Victoria, head issue of Canada after one dealer began to sweep the market.

The French postal officials have determined to get rid of the orphan charity stamps, the sale of which had dwindled to nothing, and so on September 1, we were greeted with new varieties, the old issue with postal value remaining the same but the surplus to charity being reduced by means of a surcharge. This is the makeup of the new issue—2c plus 1c, 5c plus 2½c, 15c plus 5c, 25c plus 5c, 35c plus 5c, 50c plus 10c, 1F plus 25c, 5F plus 1F. The old issue was supposed to be officially withdrawn the same day, but I bought all values unsurcharged up to the 5F as late as September 28, in small country post-offices. The old issue is valid for interior service up to October 31.

The buying of these charity stamps is made so hard that it seems almost as though the administration did not want to part with them. None of the values are on sale over the regular counters, wholesale or retail. They are handled in the accounting office only, and it has happened twice, at Cannes and at Menton, that when I went there to inquire for them, no one present knew of their existence. Again, wholesale purchases appear to be frowned upon. At Marseilles I attemped to get several hundred short sets. An earnest attempt was made to sell me complete ones, but when I declined, I was allowed to purchase only about one-half of the number I wanted. Furthermore, central post-offices only, carry them, and the shortest time I have had to wait to get the stamps was half an hour. It is surprising if anyone but collectors and dealers buy these stamps, considering the red tape one must unwind to get them.

A NEW AIR MAIL.

We have received from Olin H. Clark a specimen of an interesting cover used in airplane mail between Hartford and New York on October 6. The U. S. Mail Plane No. 32 left New York for Hartford carrying mail, and returned on the afternoon of the same day carrying mail to New York and the west. This is probably the first airplane mail service that has been established between a New England city and New York. The envelope bears airmail impressions that guarantee the service rendered, and the cover also has the familiar aviation meet advertising cancellation that the Hartford office has been using for some weeks. This meet is to be held November 10.

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Hayes may not have been a great president, but he was a courageous figure on the battle-field and in the Presidency. It may pay some people to look him up in the cyclopedia. Two courageous things he did were to reform the civil service and to conciliate the Southern states. He was resolved to serve his party best by serving his country best, and for this politicians never forgave him. I think he deserves a place on the stamp.

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—H. E. Robertson submits a new British metered cancellation. It is quite interesting in its design. It consists of a long rectangular frame in which is the name of the city, accompanied by the word PAID also ½d with date "Oct. 6, 1922." The one before us is from London and the color of the cancellation is red. We do not intend to note these various cancellations as they appear, but shall leave it to our English exchanges to give to us the essential matter dealing with the new order of things. A. A. Wasserscheid sends us a marking from Hamburg, Germany, of a similar character, but in this latter instance the words "DEUTSCH REICH" are given with 125 in bold figures in the center of the design. No value is indicated.

—"I think it is about time I gave you some expression of what I think of the pulling qualities of the Weekly. As you know I have had a small advt. with you regularly for several years, first as my new issue service and later on the A. P. S. Every week brought replies. Even now from the A. P. S. advt. I am averaging several replies a week. You are evidently reaching a bunch of collectors who are out of the beaten paths and therefore very responsive to the Weekly advts.—J. E. Guest.

—We are indebted to Frank A. Goldsmith for two new advertising cancellations:—"Florida State Fair, Nov. 17-25, 1922" and "Landing of Ponce de Leon, St. Augustine, Apr. 4-6, 1923." The former is from Jacksonville and the latter from St. Augustine.

—The philatelic papers of Europe and various dealers as well are expressing themselves vigorously concerning the laxness of American stamp firms in settling accounts. *Philatelic Francaise* has an editorial bearing on this in which dissatisfaction as to existing conditions is very plainly stated. It is up to American dealers to keep the reputation of the trade upon a high footing.

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—A. W. Whitten advises us of tw new postal cancellations. One is fro Wilmington, N. C. "Armistice Day C ebration, Reunion of Veterans, Nov. 1 and the other "Red Cross Roll Ca Nov. 11-30, Join." This latter will doubt appear from various cities.

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2½c on 1c (330)	*.10
5c on 2½c (331)	*.05
*6½c on 2½c (332)	.10
*7½c on ½c (333)	.10
*10c on ½c (334)	.10
10c on ½c (334)	.06
*12½c on ½c (335)	.35
*15c on 2½c (336)	.17
25c on ½c (337)	*.17
50c on ½c (338)	*.65
1g on ½c (339)	*1.00
4c on 6½c (340)	.10
4c, No. 341	.06
3c on 50c (342)	*.50
3c, No. 343	.06
1½c, No. 346	.04
3c, No. 348	.02
4c, No. 349	.10
7½c, No. 353	.05
10c, No. 354	.03
12½c, No. 355	.06
15c, No. 356	.05
25c, No. 357	.07
20c, No. 359	.10
1gld, No. 362	.50

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1873-99	
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*2gld 50c, No. 7	1.50
*12½c, No. 8	.30
*15c, No. 9	.50
*30c, No. 10	.50
60c, No. 11	.43
*2c, No. 14	.03
2½c, No. 15	*.04
*25c on 30c (18)	.25
*10c, No. 19	.05
*12½c, No. 20	.08
*15c, No. 21	.03
25c, No. 22	.10
*30c, No. 23	.10
*2½c on 10c (25)	.30
2½c on 30c (26)	.20
*25c on 25c (27)	.06
1903-18	
1c, No. 30	.02
2½c, No. 32	.03
5c, No. 34	.04
10c, No. 35	.05
12½c, No. 36	.03
25c, No. 38	.17
*30c, No. 39	.20
50c, No. 40	.40
*1½gld, No. 41	1.00
1½gld, No. 41	.65
*2½gld, No. 42	1.50
2½gld, No. 42	1.25
22½c, No. 44	*.20
1c, No. 60	.35
1898 Postage Due.	
30c, No. 168	.15
40c, No. 169	*.20
50c, No. 170	.50

DUTCH INDIES.

1870-1900	
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25c. No. 8	.05
2gld 50c, No. 10	.75
1c, No. 11	.06
2c, No. 12	*.30
*2½c, No. 14	.65
*2½c, No. 19	.03
*5c, No. 20	.20
*10c, No. 23	.10
*12½c, No. 24	.35
*15c, No. 25	.15
*20c, No. 26	.15
*25c, No. 27	.20
*30c, No. 28	.25
*50c, No. 29	.25
*12½c, No. 32	.10
*15c, No. 33	.10
20c, No. 34	.03
*25c, No. 35	.13
*50c, No. 36	.25
1902-8	
½c on 2c, No. 44	*.02
2½c on 3c (45)	*.03
15c, No. 48a	.06
20c, No. 49	.10
*20c, No. 49	.20
10c on 20c (53)	.06
1gld, No. 55	.06
2½gld, No. 56	.40
7½c, No. 57	.06
17½c, No. 58	.06
22½c, No. 59	.08
1908 Buiten Bezit.	
½c, No. 60	.03
*2c, No. 63	.05
2½c, No. 64	.04
*3c, No. 65	.05
7½c, No. 67	.12
10c, No. 68	.02
15c, No. 70	.06
17½c, No. 71	.15
22½c, No. 74	.12
25c, No. 75	.05
30c, No. 76	.05
50c, No. 77	.05
1gld, No. 78	.20
*2½gld, No. 79	1.60
1908 Java.	
½c, No. 80	.02
1c. No. 81	.02
2c, No. 82	.04
2½c, No. 83	.04
*3c, No. 84	.10
5c, No. 85	.02
7½c, No. 86	.10
10c, No. 87	.02
12½c, No. 88	.03
15c, No. 89	.05
*17½c, No. 90	.12
20c, No. 91	.03
25c, No. 93	.03
30c, No. 94	.03
50c, No. 95	.03
1gld, No. 96	.10
1912-15	
1gld, No. 99	.50
*2½gld, No. 100	1.60
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3c to 5c, Nos. 106-108, each	.02
7½c, No. 109	.04
12½c, No. 111	.03
17½c, No. 113	.05
20c, No. 114	.03
22½c, No. 115	.08
*22½c, No. 115	.12
25c, No. 116	.03
30c, No. 117	.03
50c, No. 118	.05
1gld, No. 119	.15

DUTCH INDIES—Continued.

1918 Surcharged.	
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*1c on 4c (123)	.03
17½c, No. 124	*.13
30c on 1g (125)	*.18
12½c, No. 129	.08
12½c, No. 130	*.08
20c, No. 131	.10
32½c, No. 132	.16
40c, No. 133	.20
60c, No. 134	.35
80c, No. 135	.45
1915 Charity.	
*1c+5c, No. 175	.06
1911 Dienst.	
*½c, No. 200	.08
*1c, No. 201	.03
*2c, No. 202	.03
*2½c, No. 203	.06
*2½c, No. 204	.10
3c, No. 205	* 05
4c, No. 206	.03
*4c, No. 206	.05
*5c, No. 207	.06
*7½c, No. 208	.15
*10c, No. 209	.08
*12½c, No. 210	.25
*15c, No. 211	.20
*17½c, No. 212	.30
*20c, No. 213	.18
*22½c, No. 214	.40
*25c, No. 215	.30
*30c, No. 216	.30
*50c, No. 217	1
*1gld, No. 218	
*2½gld, No. 219	1
*10c, No. 220	
*12½c, No. 221	
*15c, No. 222	
*20c, No. 223	
*25c, No. 224	
*50c, No. 225	
*2gld 50c, No. 226	2
1882-95 Postage D	
*2½c, No. 254	
*5c, No. 255	
*10c, No. 256	
15c, No. 257	
20c, No. 258	
40c, No. 260	
50c, No. 261	
75c, No. 262	
*75c, No. 262a or b	
10c, No. 263a	
15c, No. 264	
20c, No. 265	
2½c, No. 266	
5c, No. 267	
30c, No. 268	
50c, No. 270	
75c, No. 271	
2½c, No. 272	
5c, No. 273	
10c, No. 274	
15c, No. 275	
20c, No. 276	

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1899	
50c on 50c (36)	.20
1g on 1g (37)	.25
2½g on 2½g (38)	.60
1902	
25c, No. 56	.10
30c, No. 57	.15
50c, No. 58	
1gld. No. 59	
1912	
½c, No. 70	
2½c, No. 71	
5c, No. 72	
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By Frank L. Applegate.

In Mr. Ward's department mention is made of the discovery of a $15 California Insurance stamp printed in blue being a hitherto unknown variety. This variety was checked in the Mss. copy for the State Revenue Catalogue as No. 140d but the check mark was inadvertently omitted by the printer. I have it checked as the possession of a prominent specialist in state revenues residing in New York City. Of course it is very rare as are all the blue Insurance stamps. Possibly Mr. Selianoff refers to the same copy, or if another possibly there are only two in existence.

Under "Some Philatelic Problems" I would like to state for the benefit of "Preplexed Collector" that U. S. 2c 1898, No. 279b *c* so-called "rose carmine," is not the stamps surcharged to make Cuba No. 222 and 223a, both of which are on the 2c carmine of 1895, No. 252, which was the common variety in use at that time and which was never entirely superseded by either of the shades listed in the catalogue under 1898.

The orange red 2c (279b) appeared in considerable quantity late in 1898 and was used for part of the Cuba and Philippine surcharges, but after being printed in orange red for only a short time the regular carmine color of 1895 was restored. In fact I doubt very much that there was any conscious intention of changing the color. The other color listed as a sub variety of the orange red, viz.: the "rose carmine" is a rare variety. Both should rather be listed as sub varieties of No. 252, as far, I believe, as the intentions of the Bureau were concerned.

During the period of their use (about January, 1899) only a single copy used on the envelope came to my notice and it was so striking in contrast with other 2c shades that I noted it particularly and retained it in my collection for a number of years, but unfortunately removed it from the cover without taking any note of its mailing point. Rose carmine is hardly an accurate term to describe this color. Rose is better, in fact, I would call it a very good rose, color analysis showing it to be about Red 90 Violet 10, against Red 100 for carmine, R.94V.6 for carmine rose and R. 97V.3 for rose carmine.

A carmine rose "shade" was common as early as 1897, in fact, I can show one on cover mailed to me in Dec., 1897, from St. Louis, which is much more of a rose than the regular carmine, and it is this shade I am sorry to say which has sometimes, and recently too, been offered in prominent auction sales as the rare 279b *c* which it resembles, but lacks the full rose depth of the true 279b *c*.

"Perplexed collector" is entirely wrong when he concludes 279b *c* to be a fade of 252. He has not yet identified properly No. 279b *c* whose strong beautiful color is impossible to be produced or deduced from No. 252.

WHY $32,000 FOR THE 1c BRITISH GUIANA?

(This clipping is taken from "Light," a new publication from the office of Wm. P. Brown, Richmond Hill, N. Y. City. Mr. Brown will be remembered as the oldtime N. Y. City dealer who was located for many years on Nassau St. This article will be of particular interest, written as it is by Mr. Brown. We recall that in 1876 the Managing Editor of the WEEKLY purchased his first stamps from Mr. Brown.—W. O. W.).

We read in the papers of the sale at auction in Paris on April 6th of this year of a 2c Hawaiian Postage Stamp of 1851 from the collection of Count Ferrary bringing $15,000. We sold two of these stamps to him in 1872 for $25 each. We also read of another stamp from his collection, a used British Guiana 1 cent stamp of 1856, black on red paper, a rude type-set affair, which is the only one known to exist, which brought $32,000, bought for an American collector.

Count Ferrary's collection was sold in several sections and was expected to bring over a million dollars, as he was very wealthy and had been a heavy buyer for many years. When we visited him in Paris we passed the sentry in his stone box-like hut at the heavy gate entrance to his grounds, and were ushered into a large room, looked like a junk shop on the second floor, and in talking with him we remarked, "I suppose you intend to leave your collection to the French." "Me leave my collection to the French!" he angrily replied, stamping his foot on the floor. "I hate the French!" By the irony of fate, when he died in Germany in 1917, being a native of Austria, his collection which he had willed to the Berlin Museum was confiscated by the French government and sold by them towards reparation payments from the Germans.

This sale of a postage stamp for $32,000, which had an original value of 1 cent, which had no artistic merit, and no historic interest, is of special interest to any one to whom that amount would be a competency for life. Why was that sum paid? If the purchaser wanted a lot of reproductions made that would require an expert to tell the difference with a powerful glass, for $20 he could get a thousand of them made which would cost him 2c apiece, and for all purposes except that they were not the original stamp, would be just as good as the one he holds.

There is but one answer to this question. It is the result of covetousness which is denounced in the tenth commandment in the law, as shown in the purchase of diamonds, pearls, dazzling attire, costly equipages and palatial residences. Christ said, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and thy neighbor as thyself," comprised the whole law. If we love our neighbor as ourselves we will have such sympathy for them that we would consider it wicked to live in luxury while they lived in penury and squalor. There is enough in this world of the necessaries of life to make all with a proper spirit contented, and if we have more than we need for our own comfort, and have the right spirit toward others, instead of wanting to spend it for things with which to dazzle, and which are unnecessary, we would want to spend it to make the world around us more comfortable.

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In our opinion, one of the most momentous events in the history of American philately is the decision recently of the American Philatelic Society to sponsor a publicity movement and to contribute from its treasury a sum of money to seal the pact. It has been a long time since the American Philatelic Society has appeared in the role of a solicitor of funds for an object of this kind; and we believe that the society will be instrumental in collecting a fund of a size to allow the plan of directed publicity to be given a fair trial. A good many years ago the A. P. S. collected from the dealers a sum that was applied to missionary work among the boys; and instructive leaflets, containing stamps to illustrate the text were employed to advantage. At the time, we regarded these philatelic lessons as just the thing for the boys; and the results of the campaign justified the work, we are sure. We were in close touch with the committee who had charge of the plan and we remember how we were impressed for several reasons, the most striking of which was the puzzled inquiries of the few adults who were considered as prospects as to the why and wherefore of stamp collecting. At best, while the work was effective, it was slow and the individual adherent was gained only after almost an undue amount of concentration was centered on him. Now, in accord with the spirit of the times, the mass method should be employed.

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The course of action of the committee or officers having the publicity work in hand, probably will take the line of articles correctly and capably written by newspaper men of training. In this way, the contributions, which will be acceptable to the best newspapers and periodicals will have that important if somewhat intangible quality of readability. If an adult who is receptive to the philatelic appeal reads a good article on philately, he is apt to become a collector, sooner or later. It would be idle to say that the number of stamp collectors in this country has not been growing faster than any natural increase could account for; and the pleasing condition arises from the burst of public mention that stamp collecting has been receiving in the press for some time past. While philately is still a timely topic for the newspapers and periodicals, we want to improve the tone and give a "handle" to the articles that the readers may grasp. These are merely surmises on our part, but it is safe to say that whatever plans will be adopted, they will be well-measured and worthy of men who have a clear business view.

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We have no doubt that the fund that will be collected by the authorized agents of the A. P. S. will be adequate for a thorough test of the plans and while the money will not come in a golden shower yet we know that there are enough professionals in philately, who in their approval of the work proposed, from luke-warm to enthusiastic, to ensure a fund of fair proportions. There are always skeptics to consider in pushing a movement of the kind but even they may be induced to pay something for the confirmation of their judgment in seeing their prophecies of failure realized! We want to see the dealers get behind a campaign of this kind not alone for the results that are almost certain to be achieved, but also for the pooling of their common interests. The dealers should become better acquainted with one another through association in a work of this kind so that if, in time to come, they will have to mobilize hastily to repel aggressions on their business, they will have some knowledge of mass movement. The dealers will be the first to feel the benefit of a successful prosecution of this paid work of publicity, but ultimately everyone who has money in stamps will have some advantage.

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Another sheaf of letters has accumulated from readers who have been interested enough in remarks made in this column on questions of publicity, marketability of stamps, shop and business methods of dealers and what generally may be called ethics of trade. In these letters there is nothing wholly new but some unusual side-lights are afforded. In the course of a letter, Mr. P. L. Manning says that it would be advisable to do away with conditions that the beginner is apt to meet and to protect him from dealers who prey on his ignorance. Assuredly it would, but the dealers who habitually defraud the new man in collecting by selling him things, such as perforated proofs, cleverly mended stamps and other manipulated specimens as the real things, are the camp-followers of philately. They are not among the recognized dealers and the best pickings come from the solitary collector who pursues his collecting, without the aid of stamp papers, philatelic societies and other exponents of light on philately. It is unfortunate that the buyer should fall into the clutches of these irregulars, but the intelligent beginner, if an adult, certainly will not be hoodwinked to any great extent if he is willing to seek counsel. At that, the day must come when the dealers who fleece the ignorant will find that they cannot do it with their present seeming immunity.

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From Mr. A. H. Pike, Buffalo, we have received an envelope bearing the two cent green, U. S., 1887 issue, and also the label of the National Letter Return Association of Chicago, Ill. This trade-mark, perforated, lithographed black on white, is not seen often nowadays, but about the years '87 and '88 it was rather commonly met with. If we remember aright, a Mr. Woodward started the association and sold the labels in quantities to persons who did not use return cards on their letters for any reason. Each buyer was listed under a number that appeared on all the stamps he used and thus when a letter was returned to the association, it was forwarded to the sender. We believe that the authorities did not view the plan with favor, but we are inclined to think that the enterprise failed from lack of patronage.

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A question that is asked occasionally is whether Europe is "dumping" the quantity of good stamps on the American market that some prophets predicted it would, some time ago. Speaking in general terms, it is to be said that while there have been indications of liquidation in this way, yet so far as any engulfing of our market by such stamps, the question does not seem to be worth serious attention. The fact of the matter is that the demand here for the best stamps is such that we doubt that isolated cases of selling of European holding would have any decided effect. The stamps from abroad could be absorbed so easily that they would not cause America to gulp. It is not probable that any sufficient quantity of stamps of real value would be sent here for sacrifice and we should surely begin to feel uneasy if we had sold "short" in the expectation of rebuying at cheaper prices, due to the European invasion of stamps.

A 12c METERED STAMP.

We are advised that a 12c metered mail stamp has just appeared bearing a Boston postmark. It is permit No. 28 and meter No. 1350 and was used upon registered letters sent to the stockholders of the General Electric Co. We are indebted to Albert W. Claflin and Frank A. Goldsmith for this information.

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NEWFOUNDLAND-HALIFAX AIR MAIL.

By Harry E. Huber.

(Continued from page 116.)

Following the forced landing at Deer Lake, on December 10, 1921, and the injuries received by Major Cotton on the 15th, which necessitated his going to St. John's, for medical attention, a second attempt was made on January 4, 1922, to take off from Botwood, in the Martinsyde plane. This attempt was not successful, as the ice on which they were taking off was soft, and the machine went through. In flying from Deer Lake to Botwood on January 11th, the De-Haviland, which was used for the first attempt, crashed at Cassandra, near Grand Falls, due to the engine stopping dead.

On January 14th, a successful flight was made in the Martinsyde machine from Botwood to St. John's, bringing mails, the 200 miles being covered in 2 hours and 10 minutes. In the following days several flights were made overtown and to nearby towns, with mails and passengers.

Finally, on January 28th, it was definitely decided to abandon the flight to Halifax, and the Minister of Posts & Telegraphs ordered that the aerial mail, which was at Botwood, be sent to Norris Arm, the nearest point on the railway, and taken up by the Trans-insular Express leaving St. John's on January 31st. From Portaux-Basques, the steamer Kyle conveyed to mail to North Sydney, N. S., and thence by rail to Halifax, arriving there Saturday night, February 4th. The letters were all run through the electric cancelling machine, and backstamped "Halifax, N. S., Feb. 4, 11.30 p. m., 1922," with the advertising flag "WORK AND PROVIDE—WORK TO REDUCE—UNEMPLOYMENT." The St. John's cancellation is that of the electric machine, without the advertising die "BUY MADE IN NEWFOUNDLAND GOODS," with dates ranging from November 21st to 26th, 1921.

In February, 1922, a find was made in St. John's, of two panes (25 stamps each) of the 35c Halifax Air Mail stamp, with inverted overprint. One of these was secured by a New Jersey stamp dealer, and the other was broken up and disposed of to local collectors. As in the normal, there are six varieties, positioned in the setting (5 x 5,) as follows:

Air Mail, Wide Spacing.
No period after 1921. 2-7-10-12-18-20-22.
Ditto, 1921 shifted. 4.
Period after 1921. 1-3-9-11-13-14-16-21-23-24.

Air Mail, Narrow Spacing.
No period after 1921. 6-8-17-19.
Ditto, 1921 shifted. 5.
Period after 1921 15-25.

Normally, the initial "1" of "1921" is under the "L" of HALIFAX, but on stamps 4 and 5, it is under the letter "F".

At the request of those interested in the air flight, the Canadian Post Office Dept. arranged for a mail to be carried by the plane on the return flight to St. John's, and in the Post Office Weekly Bulletin of November 26, 1921, full instructions were given to the Postmasters:

"Experimental Aerial Service from Halifax to Newfoundland, about December 10.

A trip by aeroplane from Halifax to Newfoundland is being arranged for about the tenth of December, and the Department has been asked to encourage the venture by dispatching a letter mail from Halifax on the flight in question. It has been agreed to co- perate in this way provided those sending the mail matter assume the risk.

The requirements for this mail are:—

(1) "By Aerial Mail" to be prominently written on the address side of the envelope.

(2) The usual four cents postage for a one-ounce letter to be affixed on the address side of the envelope.

(3) Additional postage stamps to the value of THIRTY CENTS to be placed on the address side of the envelope, in payment of the special charge for transmission by the aerial service which has been fixed by those making the flight.

Postmasters will please give out the above as a news item to the local newspapers.

As regards the handling and dispatch of these letters from their offices, Postmasters will take special care to see that THE EXTRA POSTAGE *STAMPS* which are added as payment for the aerial service ARE NOT CANCELLED AT THE OFFICE OF POSTING OR EN ROUTE, as arrangements are being made to have these EXTRA stamps specially cancelled at Halifax.

Postmasters should forward such letters to the Halifax Post Office under Special Delivery wrapper, this merely in order that when they reach that office they may receive special handlinig."

The special rubber stamp furnished the Halifax Postmaster (Col. Fred. A. Oxley) was in the form of an upright rectangle, measuring 16 x 22 mm, with seven lines of lettering:—

FIRST
AIR MAIL
HALIFAX
TO
ST. JOHN'S
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1921.

Failure attending the first start, and Ottawa receiving word from Maj. Cotton, that the plane would probably reach Halifax, about the 15th January, a second rubber stamp was sent to Halifax, with the month and year changed to "JANUARY 1922."

On January 21st, the Postmaster at Halifax was instructed by the Department that the proposed air mail had been definitely cancelled, and the air mail was either returned to the senders (where known), under official cover, or forwarded to destination by the ordinary route. On some covers returned the stamps were cancelled in dull violet, with the JANUARY 1922 rubber stamp, but these do not bear the dated cancellation of Halifax. However, those covers addressed to points in Newfoundland were received at St. John's, on January 24th, with merely the ordinary machine cancellation.

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*132	50r blue	.10	.08
*133	75r bistre brown	.12	.10
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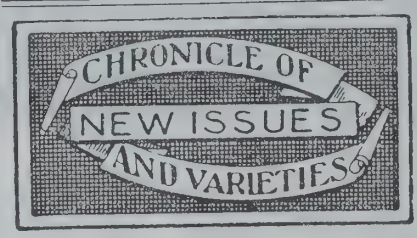

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Through the courtesy of the Post Office Department as well as Messrs. C. J. West and H. W. Porter we are in a position to give detailed information regarding the colors of the new series of postage stamps.

Under date of Oct. 11th, the Department released through its information service department, the following details. The colors and the designations of the dye-stocks carried by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing for the printing of the stamps are as follows:—

1c Franklin, regular green.
2c Washington regular red.
3c Lincoln, regular purple.
4c Martha Washington, $50.00, Liberty Loan Bond back brown.
5c Roosevelt, regular blue.
6c Garfield, regular orange.
7c McKinley, note black.
8c Grant, bond olive.
9c Jefferson, Secretary of the Senate compensation check pink.
10c Monroe, regular yellow.
11c Hayes, $500.00 postal savings light blue.
12c Cleveland, $500.00, regular back 2% U. S. Bond purplish brown.
14c Indian Head, regular yellow green.
15c Statue of Liberty, $5,000.00, Federal Farm Loan Bank dark grey.
20c Yosemite Falls, cigarette blue revenue stamp.
25c Niagara Falls, note green.
30c Buffalo, sepia.
50c Arlington Amphitheatre, 1c, Philippine Island Internal Revenue lavender.
$1.00 Lincoln Memorial, Philippine Island, documentary brown.
$2.00 U. S. Capitol, regular blue.
$5.00 American Head, bi-color, border regular red, face regular blue.

The distinctiveness of the colors and designs are expected to save the Department thousands of dollars by making short paid mail matter more easily detected. The next denomination to be issued will be the 5c Roosevelt stamp which will be placed on sale in Washington on October 27th, the birthday of the former President and at the family home of former President Roosevelt at Oyster Bay, N. Y. This variety will have appeared before these notes reach our readers. We understand that proofs for all denominations have been approved and that just as soon as plates can be made that the other denominations of the new series will appear. It is expected that all values will be on sale previous to January 1st.

It will be noted that the colors of the lower denominations are about the same as our current series, the 14c taking the color of the former 13c and the 25c taking a new shade of deep green which has heretofore been used in the case of the 11c. The 30c that resembled the 6c in color will now be in sepia while the 50c, $1.00 and $2.00 will remain about the same. The $5.00 will resemble in colors the former 24c aeroplane.

The Scott Stamp and Coin Co. inform us that they have recently located a correspondence addressed to Annapolis, Md., in which they found a very beautiful copy of the 10c adhesive Buchanan Baltimore Provisional on a cover addressed to Cornelius McLean. The stamp is on blue and is said to be the finest copy of the four of this value which are now known. The stamp is in the upper right corner and on the left end of the cover we find in an oval frame the notation "Barnums City Hall, Monument Square, Balt. Md." This has since been acquired by one of our foremost collectors.

The same Company has also recently acquired the well known 30c of the issue of 1857 on cover without perforations. This is the copy that was in the Paul collection and later was sold in the Worthington sale. I have never had the pleasure of inspecting this before, and it may interest our readers to know that it is in the color of the perforated stamp of 1857 and it is not in the brownish orange shade of the well-known imperforates. The stamp has small margins on three sides and on the left shows part of the guide line between the two panes of the sheet. There is little doubt but what the perforations were absent when the cover was mailed, for the cancellation clearly covers this stamp and there is not the slightest doubt but what there has been no tampering with the cover. There however will always be a question as to whether the perforations were trimmed or not.

We note in a recent auction sale in the Middle West that there was offered a 3c circular die envelope, in the error of color, red on amber. This variety is well known on white in both dies A and E and is known in die E on blue. I have not seen this amber variety and consequently simply make this note as a matter of record.

I have just received a communication from Mr. Clyde S. Ford, Postal Agent at the U. S. Postal Agency in Shanghai, China, stating that the locally surcharged stamps which were placed on sale July 1st, were withdrawn around the 1st of August and that since that date none of these stamps have been sold. In view of the fact that they were on sale for such a short time and as they were really required to meet an urgent postal need it is quite likely that but few were saved to philately.

BELGIUM.—Mr. Henry Hooreman sends us copies of the 5c grey, 10c green and 20c brown in the new set. Mr. Hooreman adds that they were placed on sale the 10th ult.

BRAZIL.—Mr. Frank Pollard Brown has shown us the new 100r Centennial commemorative stamp. The stamp is oblong in shape and the design is adapted from the painting by Pedro Americo representing "El grito de Ypiranga." The color is blue, perforated 14, on white wove paper.

CAYMAN ISLANDS.—Mr. R. Robert sends us the following new issues: ¼d brown, ½d green. 1d carmine, 2d grey 2½d ultramarine, 6d lilac, 2sh purple and blue and 3sh violet, all script water marked line engraved. Also 4d red on new yellow paper, old multiple C watermark.

CHINA.—The *Bulletin Mensuel* chronicles a 1c brown with the words "Famine Relief Stamp" at the base in two lines and above is a view within a circle. The profits from the sale of these stamps are to go to the victims of the famine according to the correspondent.

DAHOMEY.—The *Bulletin Mensuel* announce that the 75c violet and rose on the 1913 set has been overprinted "60" in the same manner as noted for Ivory Coast.

EGYPT.—*Stanley Gibbons Monthly Circular* is in receipt of a cutting from one of their correspondents that states pending the appearance of the new issue the present postage stamps are to be overprinted "The Egyptian Kingdom, March 15, 1922," the date on which the independence of Egypt was proclaimed.

FRENCH SOUDAN.—The Economist Stamp Co., have called attention to the 75c violet and rose of the Upper Senegal and Niger set of 1914-18 issue with the surcharge "60" over the former values.

GERMANY.—Mr. Albert W. Claflin calls our attention to a wrapper that has just been received bearing what appears to be a postal meter cancellation. Two impressions are shown totaling Marks 6.2 and the post mark is Possneck 9-22-22. It is also of interest to note that the paper was apparently mailed with only a 5 mark stamp on it and the 1.25m was applied the following day either due to overweight or change in rates.

IVORY COAST.—The *Bulletin Mensuel* reports the 75c violet and rose of the 1913-18 series surcharged "60" with parallel lines just below the figure in black. Each stamp bears this overprint twice.

JAMAICA.—*Stanley Gibbons Monthly Circular* prints the following: The *Philatelic Magazine* states that an issue of Christmas Charity stamps is contemplated in imitation of the Swiss "Pro Juventute" series. They will be sold at a premium of ½d in aid of a child welfare scheme in which the Governor of the Colony is interested.

JUGO-SLOVAKIA.—Mr. A. Woodbury has shown us the 60f in the type A in violet.

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MADAGASCAR.—The Economist Stamp . submit for chronicle the 75c value the 1908-17 series with the usual "60" erprint.

NICARAGUA.—The Metropolitan Stamp . have shown us three new colors in current designs: 3c olive, 6c brown l and 1 cordoba grey.

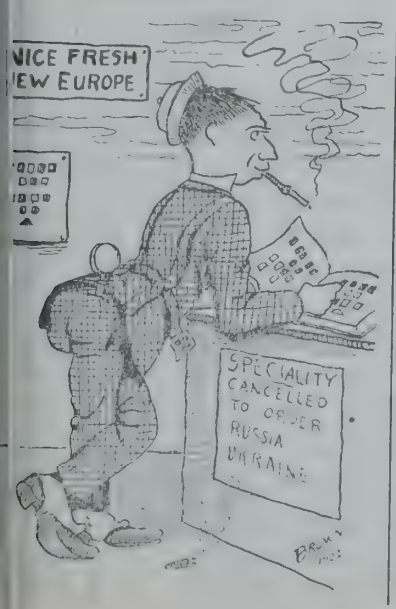
PARAGUAY.—Mr. Frank Pollard Brown submitted for chronicle a 50c stamp the benefit of the Red Cross. At top in each corner are the figures " with "Centavos" between and below a curved frame "Correos del Para-ay." At the left is the Star surrounded a wreath while at the other side is a w of a worker relieving a wounded n. Between in a shield shape design he Red Cross and below the words uz Roja." At the base "+1 Peso."

SENEGAL.—The *Bulletin Mensuel* ntion the 75c violet and rose of the 4 issue with the overprint "60" as ed in the chronicle of the same ue of Ivory Coast.

WITZERLAND.—The *Bulletin Mensuel* ounce that the following values have surcharged "Societe des Nations" hree lines for use of the League of ions only: 5c, 10c, 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c, 60c, 80c, 1fr.

OGO.—The Economist Stamp Co. has wn us the 75c violet and rose stamp the 1913 series surcharged "TOGO" h the added overprint "60" as in the r French Colonies noted above.

URKEY.—Mr. A. Woodbury has ed attention to the 3pia of the 1920 "A32" which is now appearing sur-ged "PIASTRES 7½" in black.



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Five stamps, each from the first sheet engraved, will be given to Lt.-Col. Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., the assistant secretary of the navy, and to Mrs. Alice Longworth, son and daughter of the former President.

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The Roosevelt Memorial Association has sent its check to the postmaster-general for two sheets of the new issue, containing 100 stamps each. Except at the three post-offices named, the Roosevelt stamps will not be placed on sale in the rest of the country until the present supply of old 5-cent stamps is exhausted.

The philatelic agency of the post-office department in Washington, which handles stamp sales to collectors, has sold $1,156 worth of the 11-cent Hayes stamps, which have been off the presses only a short time. One collector has placed an order with the agency for five sheets of each denomination of the new issues. This order alone means a profit to the post-office department of $5,160, since no service will be performed in exchange for the stamps. They will likely be re-sold to other collectors.

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The following facts relative to the manufacture of our present postage-labels and envelopes may not be uninteresting to the readers. They are gleaned from a paper by the Rev. J. Barlow, on the Chemical and Mechanical Processes, and the Social Influences of the Penny Post, read at a recent meeting of the London Royal Institution. The adhesive labels, or "queen heads," as they are commonly called, are executed by Messrs. Perkins, Bacon, and Petch, on Mr. Perkins' principle of steel-engraving by transfer. This process depends on the property of iron to become hard or soft as it receives or loses a small quantity of carbon—the soft plates receiving impressions of the original hardened engraving, and then being tempered to the necessary hardness for the purposes of the printer. Mr. Barlow lays great stress on the absolute identity of every engraving, however numerous, produced by this method. The engine-work on the adhesive labels is of so close a pattern that it cannot be taken off by lithography or any similar contrivance; while, on the other hand, the eye is so accustomed to notice slight differences between one face and another, that the most skilful imitators of a minute engravng of a human countenance (like that of the sovereign on the label) could not possibly avoid such a deviation from what he was copying as would insure the detection of forgery. With regard to the qualities of the coloured inks with which the labels are printed, Mr. Barlow remarks, that though sufficiently permanent to withstand the effects of sunlight, rain, etc., they would be discharged by any fraudulent attempt to remove the obliterating stamp for the purpose of issuing labels a second time. The gum used for fixing the labels to letters is chiefly derived from potato starch, and therefore perfectly innocuous.

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The '47s were well represented with singles, pairs, strips and a cover or two. There followed several pages of the classic issue of 1851-56, including covers and fancy cancellations, hundreds of dollars' worth of stamps, all in beautiful condition! Included was a specialized lot of the 3-cent dull red, claret and orange brown, a beautiful lot to look at.

The perforated issue of 1857-60 seemed to be about complete—dozens of copies of some values, symphonies in blue, red, brown, green, black, etc. A red Christmas day cancellation on the 12-cent black particularly took my eye. And again a really fine collection of the three cent red.

And so it went through scores of album pages. Fine representative pieces of all the issues of '61, '62, '67 and '69, with many of the reprints and special issues. It was a sight that would make sore eyes the sorer—a real feast for the amateur who loves stamp collecting, especially if his tastes turn to United States.

But after 1869 there was very little to exclaim at—just single copies, one of each value, with an occasional block or strip to beautify the album page.

Then it came my turn to show my stamps. I felt apologetic. "Really," I said, "after seeing your collection I feel ashamed to exhibit mine."

I spoke the truth. I have, in reality, a great deal of affection for this little collection of mine but the sight of a real collection of the old classics always makes me feel like a rank newcomer. For it was only two years ago that I turned my attention to United States postage and many are the blank spaces in the pages of my albums up to 1870.

However, it happens that when I began seriously to collect United States stamps a couple of years past I went in rather heavily for the National, Continental and American printings, beginning with 1870, and I knew, after looking at my friend's collection, that, I had him "licked to a frazzle," after 1869. The problem was, would he be interested in anything so comparatively recent or was he so enamoured of the classics that my assortment would look cheap and worthless by comparision.

I opened up with my album of three-cent greens, a collection of perhaps 1,400 stamps (minor varieties and different cancellations) because that is the most complete of any value of these issues and I wanted my friend to get an idea of my methods of classification. He seemed interested and asked me many questions as we turned the pages.

When the three-cents were finished we turned to the book of two centers. I have not yet mounted the two-cent brown and green of '83 and '87, so almost my entire collection of perhaps 700 to 800 stamps is composed of the brown and vermilion Jacksons, a very pretty lot of stamps to look at, especially the pages of blue and other colors of cancellations. I could see that my friend was deeply interested.

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And so we parted, each a little envious of the other fellow's collection which, to my mind, is the way philatelic friends should part.

To my mind the issues of 1870 to 1888 are likely in time to become the most popular of all issues of United States stamps with the greatest number of collectors. This, I firmly believe, will come to pass within the next five or six years. Let me give you my reasons for this belief.

First, the grilled and ungrilled issues of 1870-71 are now more than 50 years old, while the most recent of these emissions were used some thirty years ago. Regardless of how plentiful the most common values of these stamps were when still in use, any stamp that is fifty years old is reaching a point of relative scarcity. You can still find many lots of thousands of three-cent greens, for instance, but it requires a real search to turn up a lot of a thousand or two thousand unpicked specimens. Still unpicked lots are to be had occasionally and, to the specialist, such a lot holds wondrous possibilities. But even lots that have been gone over are worth while, as a rule, because there are few collectors or dealers who really understand the stamps of these printings and valuable minor varieties may be discovered in almost any assortment.

Then, too, the supposed plentifulness of these stamps leads dealers to sell them more carelessly to the profit of the buyer. For instance, I bought about a year ago some 10,000 three-cent greens, done up in envelopes which evidently had not been opened for ten or fifteen years. I paid $1.25 a thousand for these and you can imagine my delight when I found that they were not only obviously unpicked, but contained to boot about 600 one-cent blues of the 1870-71, '73 and '79 issues. This lot yielded me many a splendid find.

I have gone into stamp dealers' shops and been accorded the privilege of going over thousands and thousands of stamps of these issues and taken my pick at from two to fifteen cents each, according to the denomination. Such research has yielded me thirty or forty copies of the two-cent brown (Jacksons) and three-cent green on ribbed paper (yes, and a few of the one-cent blue on ribbed paper), three or four stitch watermarks, an occasional shift, some remarkable plate varieties, and cancellations, black, blue, magenta, purple, brown, yellow and green.

For another thing, I think there are more sleepers to be found in approval books of these issues than elsewhere among United States stamps. "Specialized" approval selections of these issues usually consist of a large assortment of fine copies and shades, ending up with a bunch of colored and odd cancellations. One who collects in addition to these things the stitch watermark, ribbed and other papers, perforation varieties showing different sizes of the stamps from 21 by 26 millimeters to 24 by 31 millimeters or thereabouts, perforation freaks, wet printings, dry printings, smudged copies, thumb prints, color spots, worn plates, recut plates, early impressions, scratches on the plate, shifts or double transfers, various locations and oddities of the guide lines and

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dots * * * * * well, that will give you an idea of what I mean, and I started to say that the fellow who is building up a collection of all these things and more will find many collectible varieties at reasonable prices in most any well-filled approval book of these issues.

To continue with the list, there are different sizes of grills, grills split top and bottom and left and right, split grills showing in all four corners (these are somewhat rare pieces) the end roller grills (real rarities), worn grills showing blank spaces in the center, stamps showing either an arrow in one corner or parts of the imprint or plate number at top or bottom, pane margins, paper creased before printing, double papers, silk and straw papers, pane margins, different colors of the gums and various minor varieties of the papers.

Naturally, the specialist wants pairs, strips and blocks for his collection and here, even in the case of the three-cent green, it is difficult to fill in, especially with interesting used copies. One of my strips of three-cent greens shows the dot on the right stamp only, another the dot at left of oval on all three stamps but each in a different position, etc.

Then come the postage stamps of these issues on checks, most of which are dated, and the town-and-date cancellations. These stamps are valuable in that they help place the earliness of the different papers and shades. Likewise, a cancellation showing month and year date is rare.

I will not go into the various cancellations as that is too long a story for this time. But these cancellations are interesting and good to look at, while long study will enable one to prove certain facts about his stamps that could not otherwise be determined.

Now as to the standard varieties: The double papers, with the exception of the three-cent green, are hard to get. I have never yet seen the varieties listed as "paper cut with a cogwheel" punch or with eight small holes in a circle, but hope to obtain them in time. The 1873-75 issues with grill and the special printings are very hard to find and fetch a goodly price. Of the imperforate stamps I have not been able to secure any, excepting one or two single stamps with big margins, but I do not count these as they may be trimmed. However, I have the three-cent green, 1873, imperforate vertically in a pair on cover and this is one of the pieces I like very much. The double impression I have never seen.

Another fruitful source for finding nice things in these issues is the regulation auction. Large lots of these stamps can often be obtained for a song simply because the issues of 1870-88 have been so long neglected by the collector of United States.

Last summer, during the dull season, I put in a flyer bid on a lot of 218 stamps cataloguing around $18. I was going on my vacation and not anxious to buy anything so my bid was low—$3.10 for the lot. Also, the cataloguer did not say anything about the condition of the stamps and I expected to find many of them damaged.

Imagine my surprise when the lot came and I found that it was composed of more than two hundred stamps, all in splendid condition from the Hopkins collection. There were several of the one-cent ultramarine grilled with nice cancellations, a two-cent brown Jackson with stitch watermark, four or five split grills, a page of three-cent green cancellations, including a Fredericksburg arrow and a number of colorless letters and figures on the three-cent grilled, a page of blue cancellations on the two-cent brown and the two-cent vermilion, a couple of fine strips, one of five stamps, and 34 copies of the four-cent blue green, 1883, all with fine cancellations.

The fact that one can often make such finds is one of the reasons I am collecting these stamps. I have written this article in the hopes that it will lead other general collectors to take up this delightful field.

If one had a hundred thousand dollars or so to spend on stamps it might be possible for him in time to gather a collection of one of each kind of all the varieties of United States postage stamps, and there undoubtedly would be a great deal of pleasure in the task. But the average collector could never hope to complete a collection of United States, one of each listed variety. Therefore, I think there is far more pleasure and profit in selecting a few issues and specializing in them.

And for the collector with a lean pocket-book there is no better branch of U. S. specialization than the National, Continental and American issues between 1870-88. And even the fellow who has plenty of money to spend will find enough to keep him busy. For instance, for such a fellow I might suggest a specialized collection of the 24-cent purple, 1870-71, grilled, showing several shades, an end roller grill at the left and another at the right, the stamp with the grill showing in all four corners, grill split right and left and top and bottom, various sizes of the grill from 8 by 10 millimeters to 11 by 12½, examples of worn grills, one or two gum varieties, a few colored and odd cancellations and perhaps some shifts or minor plate varieties. At from $100 to $200 or $300 a stamp, this would keep even a Vanderbilt happy and, if the amusement ever began to pall on him, he could go out and try to add a strip of four or five, a block of four and another of eight or twelve of the used stamps on cover.

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Series 1891-96.

Meanwhile supplies of ½d, and 2½d stamps in the permanent type had been received at Port Stanley, and placed on sale on or about December 10th, 1891. The plates were of the same size and composition as for the previous issues, but had the name of the printers engraved upon the bottom margin. The sideways cutting of the watermarked paper having proved equally unsatisfactory, the upright position was reverted to.

New printings of the 6d and 1s stamps were received early in the following year (1892), whilst January, 1896, saw the addition of two more values to the current series of the Colony in the denominations 2d and 9d respectively—the first for defrayment of the registration fee and the second for parcels postage for which the rate was 9d per lb. The design and general feature of these stamps were similar to those of the earlier issues except for the fact that the numerals in the lower angles were replaced by foliate ornaments. The sequence of shades in this series suggests that new printings of the lower values were made annually, and of the higher at less frequent intervals.

Series 1891-96 (Shades).
½d blue-green (Dec., 1891).
½d deep yellow-green (1892).
½d yellow-green (1901).
1d orange-brown (Dec., 1891).
1d claret (1895).
1d pale red (1900).
2d dull mauve (Jan. 1st, 1896).
2d bright mauve.
2½d pale ultramarine (Dec., 1891).
2½d blue (1892).
2½d Prussian blue.
2½d deep ultramarine (1896).
6d orange-yellow (March, 1892).
6d yellow.
9d pale vermilion (Jan. 1st, 1896).
9d deep vermilion.
1s grey-brown (Jan., 1896).

High Values, 1898.

On May 1st, 1898, two large and ornate high value stamps were issued for use in the parcels post service with the Queen's Head as before adapted to a more elaborate setting. If not actually the handsomest they are amongst the most beautiful British Colonial stamps that have been issued. They were almost twice as large as the remaining values of the series and were printed in sheets of 60 (six rows of ten) upon paper watermarked Crown CC (Crown Colony) once in the centre of each and every stamp upon the sheet.

1898, May 1st
2sh 6d deep blue.
5sh brown-red

Edwardian Series.

This Colony was one of the last to change the design of its postage stamps as a result of the accession of King Edward VII. Not until the summer of 1904, were stamps bearing the head of the new ruler brought into use, the Colonial Government having caused the entire remaining stock of Queen's Head stamps to be used up before corresponding values in the new type were placed on sale.

With the advent of this series the stamps printing contracts was transferred to Messrs. De La Rue & Co., who were responsible for the production of the stamps of most other Crown Colonies.

The new designs were modelled closely upon the Victorian types, with the profile of King Edward, facing left, substituted for that of his Royal Mother. In engraving the dies the dimensions of the stamps were very slightly reduced. Plates of the ½d, 1d and 2½d values were made up of 60 impressions of the design ranged in ten horizontal rows of 6, but those of the remaining denominations up to and including 1s were grouped in six rows of ten. The two high values, in enlarged format, were printed in small sheets of thirty (five rows of 6) only.

All were recess printed upon pa watermarked Multiple Crown CA perforated 14, the 2d, 6d and 1s by me of a comb-machine, and the others u a single line guillotine.

1904-5.
½d yellow-green (July 18th, 1904).
1d vermilion (July 18th, 1904).
2d deep purple (Feb. 28th, 1905).
2½d blue (July 18th, 1904).
6d orange (April, 1905).
1s brown (April, 1905).
3s bronze-green (April, 1905).
4s lake (Feb. 28th, 1905).

Varieties of both the ½d and 1d val exist printed on thick paper.

The substitution of a 3s value for former 2sh6d is accounted for by fact that this represented the hghest r of postage upon parcels, viz., 3s for lbs. (maximum weight).

A small printing of the 1d Edward stamps of the Falkland Islands, issu on or about August 1st, 1907, had watermark sideways instead of uprig but whether this variety was due to ac dent or design is not known. In case it was not repeated.

1907 Aug. 1st (Sideways Wmk.).
1d vermilion.

Georgian Series.

The present stamps of the Falkla Islands in the Georgian type, from ½ to 5sh were placed on sale simulta ously on August, 1912, two supplement high values of 10sh and £1 being ad in March, 1914. Later in the same y the colour of the 5sh stamp was chang from red-brown to purple to obvi confusion with the newly issued 10 which was somewhat similar in colo It is noteworthy that this issue is t first to bear inscription "Postage—Re enue" indicating the dual purposes the stamps.

1912-14.
½d green.
1d vermilion.
2d purple.
2½d blue.
6d orange.
1s bistre-brown.
3s green.
5s red-brown.
10s green on *red* (March, 1914).
£1 black on red (March, 1914).

1914, Dec. 30th.
5s purple.

The following values in the Georgi series have been recently printed up Script CA watermarked paper:—

1912, July, Wmk. Script CA.
½d green.
2½d blue.
1s bistre-brown.

War Tax Stamps.

Of the special stamps locally ove printed "War Stamp" to denote t supplementary tax levied upon lette and parcels in the Falkland Islands b tween the years 1918 and 1920, the appear to have been at least four prin

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18-19. Overprinted "War Stamp"
d green.
(a) second uninked impression.
(b) glossy ink.
vermilion.
(a) second uninked impression.
(b) double overprint.
(c) glossy ink.
brown (Nov., 1918).
bistre-brown (Sept., 1919).
(a) light bistre-brown.
(b) deep brown.

n December 3rd, 1909, a sub-agency he Falkland Islands Post Office was blished in charge of the Chief istrate at the lonely whaling station King Edward Cove, South Georgia. upply of contempo ary Falkland ds stamps was provided in denomins from ½d to 5s, which in the ce of a regulation postmark, were st cancelled by impressing the words th Georgia" in rubber type, partly the stamps and partly upon the ope, the necessary date stamp being d on arrival at Port Stanley. It not intended that this imprint should garded as an overprint and for this n it was not struck entirely upon tamps themselves. Finally on July 1910, a proper dated cancelling , lettered "SOUTH GEORGIA" used for the first time and current and Islands issues may occasionally et with showing this local postmark. resent the only denominations sup- to the South Georgia agency are ld, 2d and 2½d.

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Seychelles.—The announcement that the remainders of the Seychelles Postage & Revenue stamps of 1917 will probably be withdrawn and burnt, will come as a surprise to some collectors, who had supposed them to have been obsolete for some time. In point of fact, however, this series, printed on the old CA paper, lasted longer than was anticipated, the local demand being small, so that the series on the new paper was only brought into use by slow degrees. Certain values of the Seychelles stamps in old colours but with script watermark have had very short lives, and some, such as the 12c grey, seem likely to be scarce. At present only the lower values have been affected by these colour changes. All values over the 6c of the script series are better used than mint. During the earlier War years parcel deliveries from these islands were heavy, owing to high freight rates, but are now much smaller. This accounts for the relative frequency of the two highest values of the 1912 series in used condition. Apart from these, all this series is becoming very scarce, especially the 18c to 75c, with the 30c mint being about the best. The 5 rupee of 1918 is also a rare stamp with postal obliteration, the demand being principally fiscal.

Telegraphic Cancellations.—A certain number of high values are constantly coming on the market with telegraphic cancellations, many being used for cable or Marconigrams, and it is a moot point whether the collector should take them; the price should certainly be much lower than for genuinely postally used specimens, but unfortunately the cancellations are frequently not sufficiently distinctive to enable the average collector to differentiate between them. The philatelist stands in need of a book describing all these cancellations of the various colonies, thoroughly up to date and including the numerous different types of obliterating stamps brought into use for telegraphic and wireless work in recent years, as some of them are very similar or even identical with the postal varieties. For those who take used varieties especially, of high value current Colonials, a good plan is to buy them on original piece showing full postmark, which is some sort of a guarantee as to the character of the cancellation. High prices for these, sometimes equal to or even higher than for unused varieties, are asked, so it behooves the collector to be on the lookout. Owing to the lack of knowledge of modern obliterations, a curious prejudice exists against coloured postal cancellations. Certain of the African colonies frequently obliterate with a violet ink on parcels, which some mistakenly think to be a fiscal cancellation, and will pay more for a black "hut tax" or similar variety under the delusion that it is a postal one.

With Union of South African stamps the appearance of the letters "C. T. O." on the postmark denote its telegraphic use. This is the commonest type of cancellation seen on the 10s and £1 stamps of this Dominion. The later value indeed is not on sale at many of the smaller offices, and the vast majority of the copies seen in this country show the above-mentioned obliteration, indeed genuinely postally used copies of the £1 are relatively rare.

St. Kitts-Nevis.—The latest of the blue Scripts to be superseded by a new colour is the 2½d St. Kitts-Nevis, and in view of its short life is likely to be another good item, particularly in used condition. A glance at the catalogue will show how scarce the ½d and 2½d bi-coloured issue of 1907 have become, which varieties had a similarly short existence. The 2d of this set of 1907 is getting scarcer, whilst the 6d provides several interesting shades.

Strictures have appeared in the Philatelic Press recently on those collectors who hoard for monetary gain. There is no doubt that hoarders are more numerous now than at any period, except the recent war years, when so many got bitten by laying down quantities of the common London printed War Tax stamps. One encouragement to the hoarder or bloater, is the number of dealers offering mint stamps in wholesale quantities at tempting prices.

Colonial Remittances.—It is a pity that some arrangement has never been made for cashing unused colonial stamps at a London office. It often happens that remittances are received in colonial stamps, or dealers may have surplus stocks that they wish to cash, and if instituted such a concession would prove a boon to many and no real loss to the Government concerned.

Used New Issues.—With the demand for used colonial stamps of the current issues, it is remarkable that no dealer has instituted a new issue service of used stamps on the lines of the existing mint new issue services. It would fill a want, and with good connections among the various colonies there should be no difficulty with most issues, although longer time would be probably necessary for complete distribution. It may be remarked, however, that some existing services are by no means punctual with the distribution of many of the new issues constantly being made.

Coloured Papers.—The forthcoming Red Gibbons, whose appearance has been unfortunately postponed again, will be eagerly awaited by many, and it seems probable that more attention will be paid to modern colonials than has hitherto been the case. The recent printings on experimental papers are to be listed for the first time, and many collectors will find items, recently cheap, at surprisingly high prices, of which mention has already been made in these columns. It is to be noted that mint stamps are to be recommended by the publishers for the study of these various experimental papers, and wisely so. The process of soaking off is a precarious one, and with highly fugitive dyes may lead to serious damage or alteration to these sensitive colours.

Boom in Current Colonials.—British Colonials seem likely to be more popular than ever during the coming season, and with the great majority of collectors who cannot afford to specialize in the early classics, the 20th century issues with their many varieties make a fascinating appeal. It is difficult for any collector to keep up with all the emissions of Europe, let alone the whole world, and the constant fluctuations in the exchange make it difficult and often very unprofitable to take the New European issues as they appear.—*Philatelic Magazine.*

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Another prompt arrival is the new edition of the catalogue which came at the appointed time; and now comes a pause while the philatelic public glues its eyes on the new prices but the stillness is the "silence of the spinning top" which will soon be succeeded by a babel of opinion on the thisness of that price and the thatness of this one.

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A candidate for an important office assures us that in the hurly-burly of campaigning, he often thinks longingly of the companions of his quiet evenings at home and finds himself asking if it is wise to supplant philately with politics. If we did not know that this friend of the people was a real philatelist, we should suspect him of trying to corral the philatelic vote by a bit of hoakum.

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Here is an artistic touch that is true to tradition. In explanation of his delinquency in paying a stamp debt, an artist says that his disappointment in disposing of a picture that was ordered has temporarily crimped him. but that he hopes to sell it before long, nevertheless. That's realism.

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A wife snags her husband in this wise: "I agree with Carlyle that man is a tool-using animal. The head of the family each evening proceeds according to the following ritual: Where's my stamp tongs? My glass? My benzine cup? And my hinges? And my—? Now, what I want to suggest is that some dealer put a stamp accessory cabinet on the market. I cannot have the stamp tools cluttering up the library table but "a place for everything and everything in its place" would fill the bill.

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Mexico is to have a new picture set, and among the themes for pictorial exploitation, we find the National Theater at present in construction. If the set is to await the completion of the edifice, we fear that it certainly will be some time in making its appearance, but if the unfinished structure is. to be shown, we shall have a novelty. A stamp with the design of a building in the process of making will have distinction, but no doubt the model of the building will be shown.

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Some of our readers would have us arguing in a never-ending circle and we ask that certain of our critics refrain from placing us in the position of a blind advocate of investment in stamps merely for financial gain. We much prefer that the interests of the collector, rather than those of the avowed speculator, be protected, and we fail to see how the collector who buys his stamps for his album can meet with disappointment. The ascending trend in the prices of all good stamps protects him in a monetary way, to a considerable extent. One correspondent tells of his experience with the high value Columbians, which after holding for a long time, he sold at a loss. The older collector knows how rampant speculation was in that set of sets, the 1893 Columbians, and how almost every collector bought a reserve stock in the hope of reaping something of a harvest by selling at increased prices. The result showed that after a spectacular rise, there was a decided slump and the market did not recover from the burden imposed on it for many years. The new catalogue, by the way, shows firmer prices for the stamps in question. In 1898, when the Trans-Mississippi set was launched, speculators with the lesson of the Columbians in mind went to the other extreme and let the dollar values alone to a great extent. There were no reserve stocks of the Omaha varieties held by a host of speculators and the result was that these stamps have become more and more desirable, measured by the dollar mark. Certain axiomatic laws ever hold good in philately as well as in other lines, even though the caprice of circumstance change superficially what in essence are economic principles.

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Some of the foreign dealers are retaliating on us. For a good many years it has been the custom for our dealers to recruit their stocks of United States stamps from Europe where prices have been lower than here and now some of the European dealers have been seeking connections through which they might secure here the early issues of their countries at prices under those that obtain at home. We find one dealer who writes in response to an inquiry for early Italian stamps that the applicant no doubt can buy the stamps in question to better advantage in the United States than in his own country.

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The publicity plan of the American Philatelic Society has been made known and we are glad to see that the measures advocated are practical. It is undeniable that general opinion favors the experiment of planning proper publicity for philately; and the advisability of the A. P. S. standing sponsor for the movement is apparent. There are many arguments to show that even if we obtain publicity, as we have been doing for some time past, without any expense, this free publicity is not to be compared with the brand that the trained philatelic journalist can father. At first, we were thankful for any sort of advertising almost, in the outside press, but now that we have got our breaths and our vision is becoming clearer, we want the best publicity. In our opinion, the payment that is asked for service of the kind is moderate in comparison to the possibilities for good.

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We have heard of several plans to be adopted by ambitious dealers to extend philately into the highways and by-ways of America, so to speak; and while it is not our custom to make capital of schemes for the extension of stamp collecting before they are out of the formative stage, we insert this paragraph in the hope that soon we shall have real news on the subject.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—From Mr. W. G. Whittaker, we learn that Emmett E. Elster of Buffalo, New York, died almost two months ago, and through an oversight, the announcement has not been made heretofore. Mr. Elster was in business for many years and was sixty-one years of age. At one time Mr. Elster was a member of the American Philatelic Society and other stamp organizations.

—We are pleased to learn that Mr. Aaron E. Carpenter of Philadelphia, president of the Metropolitan Philatelic Association, has recovered from the effect of "a minor accident in which he received a slight fracture of the skull."

—The Chicago Philatelic Society obtained a bit of publicity from its exhibit of the postal history of its city as exemplified by postmarks and other impressions, first to last, used in Chicago. A paper by Mr. R. McP. Cabeen on the early postal history of the city was a feature of the evening's entertainment.

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Even back in 1849, when the first French postage stamps were first issued, woman was uppermost as part of the stamp design.

Some called her portrait "Ceres," others typified her as "Liberty." The little bunch of grapes as part of the wreath about her head proclaims her as "Ceres." Recent investigations, however, seem to prove that the artist's original intention was to portray "Liberty," the bunch of grapes being simply significant or symbolical of France's agriculture.

The Liberty woman didn't last long. In 1852 came Napoleon to displace her. Man was uppermost and for eighteen years woman was forgotten on French stamps. What must have been her thought when she saw him crowned with laurel in 1863? She suffered the laurel for seven lengthy years, when Hail, Hail! once more, in 1870, she won, and (should I say, alas!) since then woman has for fifty-two years not been missing from a French postage stamp.

French manhood did not give up the fight, however, because after six years of the lonely woman, she had to share her estate with man, and in 1876 man and woman shared equal space on the French postage stamps, Peace and Commerce, the design going around the world to all the French colonies, and they remained thereon, united in Liberty, Equality and Fraternity, for twenty-four years, until 1900.

What started the rumpus again, what kindled the fires of discontent between the sexes? Was it the "baby" that came in 1900—the fruit of a long union of man and woman? No, no.

It must have been the three designs, all portraying woman. Man arose, in his weakly might, against her. The designer revolted at the thought that man couldn't once more come into his own and have his features portrayed at least one in three. But woman won and the three designs containing women were issued in 1900; the low values portrayed a woman angelized with wings, God bless the women, and a male Cupid, for is not Cupid a male? This design shows the feminine influence, she permitted a representative of the opposite sex on the stamps, but she had him as minute as she could make him and represented as an infant, whom she could control.

The second design of this issue is where the male artist shone. Disgusted because the stamps of his country should have only women and nothing but women, he bethought himself of the ancient motto of the French Revolution "Droits de l'Homme," Rights of Man! and inserted the words on a placque carefully poised on woman's knee.

What mattered it to the women of France that they had won their way for years with feminity portrayed on their country's stamps, and on all three stamps of the 1900 issue. Rights of Man! *Dieu!* Where were women's rights? The ancient motto was like a red flag before a bull when placed before women's eyes.

Think you that the women sat back and folded their hands? Nay. They sincerely protested, they revolted, they fought, they fought some more, they postered the city walls! What rights have men got that women haven't got? was their hue and cry. They got out a stamp bearing the words "Droits de la Femme," they used them on their letters, they made their husbands, their sweethearts, their mothers and their daughters, their fathers and their sons, use these stickers of protest against the Rights of Men, Rights of Women said they, and for three years they kept up the cry until once more man endured and Rights of Man was removed from the postage stamps.

The Sower—La Grande Semeuse—was adopted as the stamp design in place of the Rights of Man design. Ha, and the artist was so excited when he made it, he was so frightened by woman's overbearing indignity, that he placed the sun in eclipse and the shadow on the side of the woman which was towards the sun. It was three years before this error was corrected and then the sun was removed and the designer gave woman the Earth to walk on. She was on the top of the mountain, woman's rights prevailed.

Still unsatisfied woman demanded the universe, so the French male gave her the ether, and there she trods sowing her seeds, of the earth, but not on the earth, sunless, maleless—and few realize that she is sowing her seeds against the wind, which procedure is against the agriculturists' ethics. Ever contrary, nevertheless woman has her rights, in France, on postage stamps.

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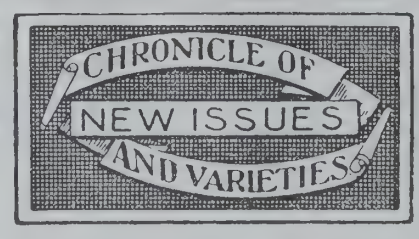

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UNITED STATES.—The new 5c stamp made its appearance as per schedule, it having been placed on sale in New York, Oyster Bay and at the Philatelic Stamp Agency in Washington on Friday, October 27th, the anniversary of the birth of Theodore Roosevelt, the 25th President of the United States, whose portrait appears on this denomination. I desire to thank Messrs. C. J. West and H. W. Porter for copies mailed for our inspection.

Four plates were made, namely numbers 14066, 14067, 14068 and 14069. Impressions from all plates were on sale in Washington on the first day. The stamps are engraved in blue in sheets of four hundred subjects on unwatermarked paper, perforated 11 and these as usual are cut into post-office panes of one hundred before being distributed. The general make-up of the stamp is similar to the 11c Hayes, this time, however, the portrait appears in a circle without background. It makes the head stand out more clearly and gives it a different appearance from any stamp ever issued by this government. Below the portrait within a ribbon we find "ROOSEVELT" and under this horizontally across the bottom of the stamp "CENTS" flanked by large figures "5" within ovals at each end. Semi-circularly around the top of the portrait frame we find "UNITED STATES POSTAGE" with triangles and rectangles completing the design.

The stamp is attractive, but the large figures and lettering tend to spoil its appearance. It must be remembered, however, that this detail is of importance to the post-office clerk and it is for postal, not artistic purposes that stamps are issued. The portrait of Roosevelt, a full face, is taken from the engraving made at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing at the time he was President. It is customary and has been for some years, for the President shortly after inauguration to submit to the Bureau a portrait which he considers the likeness that he cares to hand down to posterity. An engraving is made from this, approved and autographed by the President and this becomes his official portrait. In after years when the Bureau is called upon to engrave a note or a stamp or the like it is generally this portrait that is used. The Department informs me that only an unusually small quantity of this new stamp has been placed on sale, due to the fact that the Bureau is not as yet equipped to print this stamp in large quantities. There will, however, be plenty more to follow so every one will be supplied.

1922, Unwatermarked, Perforated 11.
5c blue, Roosevelt.

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I also quote from a letter received from Mr. W. Irving Glover, Third Assistant Postmaster General, under date of October 26th, details of more than passing interest:—"It may be of interest to you to know that the reason only one plate number of the 11-cent Hayes stamp has reached the public at this time is due to the fact that in order to have this stamp available for October 4th, only one plate was prepared and the printing was done entirely from this plate. No further printing will be made of the 11-cent stamp until the four plates are completed." This accounts for our plate number collectors being unable to find the other three plate numbers. Flat plates always travel in groups of four and it seemed unusual when we could locate but one in both the Washington and Fremont stocks.

The Department for a number of years has consistently refused to sell to the philatelic public the issues of postage due stamps. It was and in fact still is claimed that by placing these on sale some of them may be used to pay postage on a letter and in this way will cause trouble. All other Nations permit such sales and I do not recall ever seeing a postage due stamp on cover used through error to pay regular postage and I doubt very much if our post-office would have any trouble by permitting their sale through Washington. We can obtain them in a roundabout way if one is sufficiently well acquainted at some of the small post-offices and why make the less fortunate pay a fancy premium to obtain what should be sold him in straightforward aboveboard manner. The Division of Stamps has been considering this matter since the establishment of the Philatelic Stamp Agency, but has arrived at no definite conclusion. From a business point alone they should let us have them for it would net the Department thousands of dollars for which they would never be called upon to perform any service. If you think the same way write them a letter. Mr. B. K. Miller writes me upon the subject and many others have expressed disappointment in being unable to obtain especially the higher values in mint condition. We have today, from the Third Assistant Postmaster General down, one of the fairest-minded groups of officials that have ever had charge of the manufacture and distribution of our postage stamps and being business men realize the possibilities of profits that may be derived in behalf of the Department. Let us hope that they may change the ruling and permit the sale of postage due stamps.

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VI. Presidency Series, 1903.

When the separate Presidency series were discontinued in 1890, in favor of one series common to all, the Post Office revenue of the Presidencies fell off considerably, and the goodly sum which each had received annually in former times, from stamp collectors and dealers abroad, was now divided among the five Presidencies.

In 1898, the Executive Council of the Leeward Islands approved of the use of special stamps in the British Virgin Islands, though no formal Order-in-Council was ever issued. In the following year, the line engraved stamps, in the design of Madonna with lilies, made appearance.

It was not long before this privilege was extended to the other Presidencies, and by the Leeward Islands Stamp Act of 1902, it was enacted that the Governor might from time to time, by Order-in-Council, direct that special stamps be used in each or any of the Presidencies, *concurrently* with the uniform Federation series.

In the formal Order-in-Council, made 29th June, 1903, July 3rd was named as the date on and after which these special stamps might be used. The series for St. Kitts-Nevis, however, had been in use for two months previous to this, having been issued in May. Antigua followed in July, Montserrat in August, and Dominica in September.

"ORDER-IN-COUNCIL.

Whereas, by section 3 of the Leeward Islands General Stamp Act, 1890, it is provided (inter alia) that there shall be a uniform stamp or stamps for use throughout the Colony whereby all postage rates and stamp duties shall be expressed; and,

Whereas, by section 3 of the Leeward Islands Stamp Act, 1902, it is provided that the Governor may from time to time, by Order in Council, direct that a special stamp or stamps may be used in each or any Presidency concurrently with such uniform stamp or stamps as aforesaid; now, therefore,

It is hereby ordered by the Governor in Council as follows:—

On and after the 3rd day of July, 1903, special stamps may be used in the Presidencies of Antigua, St. Christopher-Nevis, Dominica, and Montserrat, concurrently with the uniform stamps now in use throughout the Colony of the Leeward Islands.

The several values of the said special stamps in the said Presidencies shall be ½d, 1d, 2d, 2½, 3d, 6d, 1s, 2s, 2s6d, and 5s.

The post cards shall be single ½d, 1d; reply 2d. The wrappers shall be ½d, 1d. The envelopes shall be 1d, 2½d, and registration envelopes shall be large and small.

The design of the special stamps for the Presidency of Antigua shall be the same as that on the Public Seal of the Presidency for all values, with the exception of the 5s, which stamp will bear the design of the head of His Majesty the King.

The design of the special stamps for the Presidency of St. Christopher-Nevis, shall be as follows:—

For the ½d, 2d, 2½d, 6d, 1s and 2s6d values, the design to be Columbus sighting land, taken from the Public Seal of the Presidency.

For the 1d, 3d, 2s and 5s values the design to be the group emblematic of the Sulphur Baths of Nevis, also taken from the Public Seal of the Presidency.

The design of the special stamps for the Presidency of Dominica shall be a design showing a view of Dominica from the sea, for all values, with the exception of the 5s, which stamp will bear the design of the head of His Majesty the King.

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The postcards, wrappers and envelopes of the several Presidencies shall bear designs similar to those of the minor values of the postage stamps.

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On the seal of St. Christopher, Columbus is shown as sighting land through a telescope, an instrument which was not invented until a hundred years after his death. The frame design is the same for all values using this vignette and the lettering "St. Kitts-Nevis" at the top and the value in words at the bottom, conforms to the vignette oval. At the sides are "Postage" and "Revenue" in colorless letters and in the spandrels are arabesques.

The seal of Nevis shows one of the sulphur springs in that island, with three females grouped around it. The vignette is contained within an upright rectangle, curved at the top and bottom, and requires a frame design differing from that for the St. Kitts seal. The inscriptions, however, are the same, and positioned similarly. Leaf ornamentation fills the corners.

May, 1903. Presidency series. Seal of St. Christopher (½d, 2d, 2½d, 6d, 1s, 2s6d) and Nevis (1d, 3d, 2s and 5s). Watermarked Crown CA. Perf. comb 14. Plate 1.
½d green and violet.
1d carmine and black.
2d brown and violet.
2½d ultramarine and black.
3d orange and green.
6d red violet and black.
1s orange and green.
2s black and green.
2s6d violet and black.
5s olive and gray violet.

VII. Presidency Series, Multiple Crown CA, 1905-10.

In 1903 a new dandy roll was made up for watermarking the paper used for Colonial stamps, and on the paper produced from it, the device of Crown CA was repeated close together over the entire surface instead of only in panes as before. With the new paper, portions of several devices appear in the space formerly occupied by one. The King Edward series of the British Virgin Islands was the first to be issued on this paper.

At first Colonial stamps were sent out on ordinary unsurfaced paper, but along towards 1906, the paper was treated with a chalk surfacing to prevent the cleaning of cancelled copies.

The ½d, 2d and 2½d of the Presidency series were issued in 1905, on unsurfaced paper, followed by the 3d and 6d in 1907, and the 1s in November, 1909.

In 1906 the 1d appeared on chalk surfaced paper— this value, bi-colored, was never issued on unsurfaced paper, with the multiple watermark. The 2d and 3d were issued in 1909, and in 1910 the 6d and 1s.

1905-10. Presidency series. Seals of St. Christopher and Nevis. Watermarked Multiple Crown CA. Perf. comb 14. Plate 1.

a. Unsurfaced paper.

½d green and violet,		1905
2d brown and violet,		1905
2½d ultramarine and black,		1905
3d orange and green,	January,	1907
6d red violet and black,		1907
1s orange and green,	November,	1909

b. Chalk surfaced paper.

1d carmine and black,	October,	1906
2d brown and violet,	February,	1909
3d orange and green,		1909
6d red violet and black,	March,	1910
1s orange and green,	October,	1910

VIII. Federation Series, Multiple Crown CA, 1905-08.

In due time the Federation series was printed on multiple watermarked paper, but only the ½d (1906) and the 3d (1905) appeared on the unsurfaced paper.

In 1906, the 1d and 2½d were issued on chalk surfaced paper, and two years later, the ½d, 2d, 3d, 6d and 1s.

1905-08. Federation series. King Edward VII, Postage & Revenue. Watermarked Multiple Crown CA. Perf. comb 14. Plate 1.

a. Unsurfaced paper.

½d violet and green,	February,	1906
3d violet and black,	April,	1905

b. Chalk surfaced paper.

½d violet and green,	July,	1908
1d violet and carmine rose,	August,	1906
2d violet and bistre,	July,	1908
2½d violet and ultramarine,	July,	1906
3d violet and black,	April,	1908
6d violet and brown,	July,	1908
1s green and carmine rose,	July,	1908

IX. Presidency Series, Universal colors, 1907-08.

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1907-08. Presidency series. Seals of St. Christopher and Nevis. Watermarked Multiple Crown CA. Perf. comb 14. Universal colors. Plates 1. Unsurfaced paper.

½d green,	October, 1908
1d carmine,	1907
2½d ultramarine,	April, 1907

X. Federation Series, Universal Colors. 1907-11.

About the same time (1907) the ½d, 1d and 2½d stamps of the Federation series began to appear in single colors, and on the adoption of the Crown Agents' color scheme, the other values were brought out in changed colors, commencing with the 3d and 5s in 1910, and followed by the 2d, 6d, 1s and 2s6d in 1911.

By an Order-in-Council, made February 20, 1909, and published in the *Leeward Islands Gazette* of March 11, 1909, a stamp of the value of ¼d, for use on newspapers, was added to the series. On this value, the figures and letters of the value tablet are in color, within a thin hexagonal frame.

After five years of constant use, D. L. R. keyplate 1 began to show signs of wear, and on stamps printed subsequent to 1907, the inner frame line of the name tablet is broken at the top right corner. The flaw appears on stamps 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11 and 12 of the left pane, and 1 and 2 of the right pane. It is also found on other Colonial stamps printed from this plate at this period.

Both plates 1 (120 stamps) and 2 (240 stamps) were used for stamps of this series, the latter, seemingly, for all printings made in 1911 and 1912.

1907-11. Federation series, King Edward VII, Postage & Revenue. Watermarked Multiple Crown CA. Perf. comb 14. Universal colors. 3d and above on chalk surfaced paper. Plates 1 and 2.

¼d brown,	August, 1909
½d green,	April, 1907
1d carmine,	January, 1908
2d gray,	August, 1911
2½d ultramarine,	May, 1907
3d violet on yellow,	October, 1910
6d violet and red violet,	August, 1911
1s black on green,	August, 1911
2s6d black and red on blue,	Sept., 1911
5s green and red on yellow,	Nov., 1910

(To be continued.)

NOTES ON CURRENT GERMAN STAMPS.

By A. B. Saunders.

The German postage stamp has, of late, not only broken off the sixteen-year-old friendship with the ancient lozenge watermark and in its stead adopted a honeycomb pattern, but has also given up its former smooth gum and substituted for it a distinctly ribbed one. Since the summer of 1921 a new gumming machine is being used in the State Printing Works, which produces this ribbed gum. Since then all typographically printed stamps bear this gum, the paper for these stamps being gummed in entire rolls "before" printing. The gum of the stamps printed from line-engraved plates—only the three highest values, 5 mk. and 10 mk., Numeral type, and 20 mk., Ploughman, are here concerned—has undergone no change, for these stamps are only gummed "after" printing, and then, of course, not in the roll gumming machine.

As all typographically printed stamps of the numeral and pictorial series from 5 pf to 4 mk. exist with both the old smooth and the new ribbed gum, specialists differentiate the two varieties and collect these stamps, at the same time keeping in view the difference in watermarks, in the following three groups:—

1. Lozenge wmk.—smooth gum.
2. Lozenge wmk.—ribbed gum.
3. Honeycomb wmk.—ribbed gum.

The theoretical fourth group, Honeycomb wmk., smooth gum, does not in fact exist, as the Honeycomb watermark was not introduced till December, 1921, after the smooth gumming had already been abolished in the summer of 1921.

A distinction between groups 1 and 2 can, of course, only be made strictly in the case of mint stamps, although the ribbing frequently penetrates to the paper and can then also be observed in used stamps without gum. The two sole "Germania" stamps still printed, 75 pf. and 1¼ mk., exist also with both smooth and ribbed gum.

All stamps of later date—Munich Industrial Exhibition, 2, 3 and 4 mk. monocolour, 5 and 10 mk. Post-horn, new Air Post stamps—bear honeycomb watermark and ribbed gum. A single exception is formed by the 10 and 20 mk. denominations of the Munich Industrial Exhibition stamps, which were printed on a remaining stock of smooth gummed paper with lozenge watermark.

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Mr. Franklin S. Smith, of Jersey City, N. J., writes: "I came across the enclosed advertisement in the back of a copy of 'Artemus Ward, His Book.' pubcopy of 'Atremus Ward, His Book.' published by John Camden Hotten, Piccadilly, London, in 1865, and thought it might be of interest to some one." From Lord Crawford's catalogue we learn that the second edition referred to was published in 1864 and consisted of 130 pages and colored wrapper. The first edition of the Bellars and Davie catalogue was published in 1864, likewise; and it contained one hundred pages. While the catalogue described was one of the early philatelic prints, it was antedated by the Gray and Mount Brown catalogues. the first editions of which appeared in 1862. The advertisement that Mr. Smith had the kindness to copy, follows:

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The meeting of the Chicago Philatelic Society, held November 2nd, was termed "Chicago Night" and was devoted to the exemplification of Chicago's postal history as shown by stamps of local issue and by postmarks and other postal markings on covers and letters, dating from pre-stamp days, down to the time of the Columbian Exposition in 1893, with its World's Fair Station postmark. The exhibit was calculated to secure a bit of publicity locally through the display which admittedly would have a touch of historical interest to Chicagoans. The newspapers of the city, almost without exception, contained notices ranging from several lines in length to almost a column, thus showing that the news value of an exhibition of the kind was recognized by the city editors. The meeting itself attracted so many visitors that they filled the parlor of the Morrison Hotel and overflowed into the main hall; and all present attended closely to the proceedings, which were started by an interesting paper describing the postal service of Chicago's early days, which, compiled from original sources by Mr. R. McP. Cabeen, was read by him. The Lincoln pictorial envelopes in the exhibit of Mr. R. L. Wickes had a distinct appeal to many, it was noticed. Other local societies may find it to their advantage to arrange similar entertainments as stress may be placed upon the historical significance that a succession of covers used from a city, convey.

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One of the covers that gave sentimental pause in the display at Chicago, bore a three cent grilled of 1867 and the imprint of the First National Bank of Chicago. The envelope was addressed in flowing hand, Dewitt H. Curtis, Quincy, Ill. The correspondent of the First National Bank, fifty-five years ago, was Mr. W. F. Furbeck, who is now with the Continental and Commercial Trust and Savings Bank; and when he was shown the envelope, he said that he had addressed it fifty-five years ago; and he duplicated the inscription on an envelope of the bank where he is now employed. The hand-writing on both of these envelopes practically is the same and Mr. Furbeck says that when he sent the early envelope, the force of the First National Bank consisted of about one dozen employees and, he adds, one of the old coal-burning stoves. Mr. Furbeck is now in the seventies and long may his pen flourish, say we; a matter of fifty years is as nothing in his young life.

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In the Meditations of an Autograph Collector, by Adrian H. Joline, published by Harper & Brothers in 1902, we find the following letter written by Robert Louis Stevenson from Vailima, Upolu, Samoa: "You have sent me a slip to write on: you have sent me an addressed envelope: you have sent it me stamped: many have done as much before. You have spelled my name right, and some have done that. In one point you stand alone: you have sent me stamps for my post-office, not the stamps for yours. What is asked with so much consideration, I take a pleasure to grant. Here, since you value it, and have been at the pains to earn it by such unusual attentions—here is the signature of Robert Louis Stevenson. For the one civil autograph collector, Charles R——." Good for R——; if he was not a stamp collector, he had the instincts of one, else his forethought would not have compassed the idea of prepaying the return letter with Samoan stamps. Here is enterprise richly rewarded. We may add that the author of the book says that one must collect something "even postage-stamps and book-plates." Too, he asks: "Who said that man is an animal which collects? It must have been Andrew Lang, for he says most things nowadays." P'raps, but from the beginning of stamps, it has been the custom of writers on stamp collecting to begin energetic, if not always elegant, articles by words to the effect that "man is a collecting animal."

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The influence of the day is seen in the tone of letters that we receive, in which the writers want to know what stamps should be bought to ensure good speculative returns. We do not know what to say in answer to these requests as an experience covering a good many years makes us timid about giving advice of the kind. It means little to say that the sterling old issues are sure to advance in price or to point out that the Lagos, single c a's, Cayman surcharges, Natal chalky one pound, one shilling, certain Jamaicas, Gibraltars, etc., bought as new issues, have shown a wonderful profit. The cover collector can tell of his fortunate purchases of even five years ago, in the light of to-day's prices; and so on. We suppose that if one buys the stamps of a country of good repute that is temporarily in eclipse or is ignored for no particular reason, he could well invest in them, knowing that the pendulum will swing in his direction in time; and more popularity will mean better prices. In philately, more than in many other things, "surely the plain rule is, Let each considerate person have his way, and see what it will lead to."

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A reader wants to hear of a witty come-back for the chap that asks when he learns that the aforesaid reader is a collector: What do you do with the stamps after you get them? He says that he has tried a humorous rejoinder only to see a look of pained bewilderment settle on the face of the questioner and that he has delivered a laborious explanation only to set the lines of vacuity on the countenance of the seeker after knowledge. Now, he wants to get something snappy as a foil to the question, something on the lines of "we can what we can and what we can't we eat." We shall take the responsibility of saying that he will offer a stamp for a reply that suits his fancy.

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ere is an extract from a letter from of the big collectors who recently atned a meeting of a local stamp soci under some persuasion. In speakof the attention given to a collection iew he says that he "is pleased to te that almost all of the members interested in the stamps, unlike it some years ago when the exhibitor made to feel that the folks were inted in everything but the stamps were brought for their especial bene-" In other words, showing stamps at latelic meeting is no longer akin to ng off fire-works in a blind asylum," me one has said.

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Of course everyone has heard of the famous Paris stamp bourse. It is one of the most picturesque institutions in connection with our hobby, and never fails to draw the visiting collector whether he be from Oshkosh, Timbuctoo or Shanghai. Few foreign collectors, however, have heard of the provincial bourses and fewer still have ever visited one of them.

There are at least four such at Marseilles, Bordeaux, Dijon and Lyons. There may be others, but I have not as yet heard of them. The four named, like the great Paris one, are held in the open air in central locations on Sunday mornings from 9 to 12. As I did not happen to be in the first three of these cities over week ends, I was not able to visit the bourses there. I spent, however, Sunday in Lyons, and there saw my first provincial bourse.

Place Bellecour, easily reached by tram from all directions and just off the Rue de la Republique. one of the principal streets of the city is the meeting place for Lyonnaise collectors and dealers. This large open square is well shaded and nicely provided with chairs and benches. One corner is the scene of considerable activity between buyers, sellers and exchanges of things stampic.

Nine o'clock finds half-a-dozen stocks on display, Albums, catalogues and scratch pads for figuring up accounts are placed on small tables behind which the sellers are seated. The number of collectors is rather small at first, but by 10.30, when the bourse is at its height, as many as a hundred are assembled about the various stands.

Packets, 5 and 10 centime a copy, sheets and counterbooks with the average run of goods are on display. In addition, each dealer has a pocket album or two filled with gems which delight the heart and lighten the pocket book of the more advanced collector. These are brought forth on request only.

French covers and imperforates in pairs and larger pieces were the features of bourse session I attended. The dealer offering them had, it was said, received them for sale on commission from a Russian nobleman in reduced circumstances. There were hundreds of certain varieties, classified by cancellations. The stamps off cover sold at catalogue for singles, at double catalogue on cover, with pairs and more important items being priced with Yvert's prices forgotten.

Another dealer seemed to be doing a considerable business in unused French colonial sets 1c to 75c inclusive and single copies of the franc values, at 15% above face throughout.

The United States offerings were only scattering, and I bought what few were available at half Yvert's for very nice copies. There seemed to be little or no interest in our issues there. The items I bought were odd values of the 1851, 1857 and 1861 issues.

In addition to the regular dealers, there are several young chaps of about twenty who are catering to beginners with gaudy sheets of Neurope, Seebecks and remainders of all sorts. The prices on most of such items are ten centimes a copy, as they come.

A large amount of exchanging takes place. I noted at least two dozen pairs of collectors during the course of the morning, who were operating on the principle of "now I'll take this one if you'll take that one."

Several of the bookstall men along the banks of the Seine in Paris carry on quite a stamp business among the younger collectors. Their packet offerings comprise a large variety at about two-thirds the stamp shop prices. Single stamps are mounted on large cards tacked on the tops of the cases containing their books. Catalogue prices are generally ignored, the goods on sale being, for the most part on 5, 10 and 25 centime a copy sheets. Collections up to 2,500 varieties are also on sale. Unused French colonials can be had at 10% over face. The proprietor generally has 40 or 50 stamps worth from 50 francs up in a pocket stockbook. These run largely to France and colonies.

The 1923 Yvert's went on sale on September 30. There was a grand rush for the new book. Two of the shops I visited on October 3 had already disposed of their first deliveries.

French orphan stamps, surcharged, can be procured at face in any quantity at the Bureau Central des Postes, Rue du Louvre, Paris. In speaking of these stamps, I might say that some of the surcharged sheets are reconstructed from strips of 5 of the unsurcharged ones. Most post-offices were supplied with small quantities of all values but the 5c plus 5c, apparently in most cases with not more than 5 or 10 copies of a value. These have been called in for surcharging, and sheets are made up from the strips with the aid of gummed paper. I have such sheets of the 2c, 35c and 50c. This naturally offers a possibility for inverts on a strip now and then.

Old letters before the days of stamps and bearing various types of impressions to designate the amount paid, are always of interest. I found a lot of about 50 covering the period from 1790 to 1829 in a second-hand store. After a little dickering I managed to get them at a reasonable figure.

The Paris dealers' stocks are rather depleted of good United States stamps, following the visits of American collectors and dealers during the course of the summer. Most of the shopkeepers are sending all the early things that come to them across the Atlantic against standing "buy" orders, accompanied by a deposit account. That such arrangements have been entered into is not surprising, as half Yvert's is the prevailing price for good and better copies, 1847 to date.

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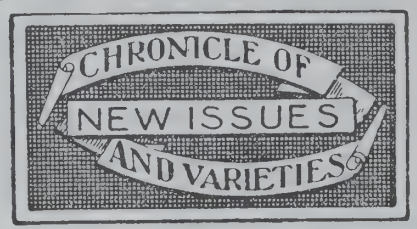

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—As described in this column for last week the new 5c Roosevelt stamp was placed on sale on October 27th but those who wrote to Oyster Bay for copies were disappointed, for it seems that the supply was exceedingly small and the Postmaster retained those that he received for local use. Through the courtesy of the Nassau Stamp Co., we are able to report a copy on cover used on the first day.

By the time these notes appear the new 15c, 25c and 50c will have been issued. The other values may be looked for to follow in close order for the Bureau is now making up the necessary plates and it is to be hoped that they will all be ready by the Christmas holidays so that pre-cancelled collectors will be able to obtain practically the whole series with the usual overprint, these being so cancelled in large quantities for the holidays.

The Philatelic Stamp Agency under date of October 25th, sends out a circular letter stating that they have on sale the new stamps that have recently been issued, and will have the further values just as fast as they appear. In addition, they can supply at the present time, all of the current engraved perf. 11 series through the $5.00, including the $2.00 in both colors. In addition they still have a supply of the 3c Victory, the Aeroplane stamps; the 1c, 2c and 3c engraved imperf., together with the Pilgrim varieties, the latter of course being perforated 11. At present they have some of the 1c and 2c rotary press perf. 11 x 10, the last two Special Delivery emissions in addition to the 50c and 75c Parcel Post stamps. A few of the Shanghai overprints are to be had but of course none of the local surcharges.

Speaking of the local printed Shanghais on the 1c and 2c denomination, Mr. S. R. Sheldon writes from that point under date of Oct. 2nd that these stamps were on sale for a very short time and that the unsurcharged stamps were used concurrently. He informs us that all large users buy the unsurcharged stamps for U. S. currency as they cost about 10% less. The principal sale of the surcharge stamps was to the casual purchaser who bought two or three stamps at a time for mailing letters. Mr. Sheldon advises that the local stamp collectors were not aware of the issue until they were practically off sale.

In a recent issue we advised that the Bureau of Engraving and Printing had informed us that the first plate for the rotary press with the plate number in the corner was the 1c 13,745. We have written them for further information in view of the fact that the Scott Stamp & Coin Co. have just shown us a block from the northeast corner with plate No. 13,744.

Mr. F. L. Applegate kindly sends for inspection new cigarette tax stamps issued by the State of Iowa for collecting an additional tax upon cigarettes. We described some time back a series showing the dome of the State Capitol. The new series which is lithographed and of the same size is not near as attractive simply showing a little scroll work in the center, "State of Iowa" horizontally across the top, "Cigarette" semicircular below with the word "Tax" immediately under. In the lower corners there is a figure of value with the word "Cents" between. The new values so far issued are the 1c green and 1½c orange. The stamps are perforated 11 and are on unwatermarked paper.

Mr. A. F. Gamber calls attention to the fact that in a recent issue we chronicled a Milwaukee window envelope Die F, size 8, low back, on white as being watermarked 20 where as a matter of fact it is watermark 19. We desire to change the record accordingly.

We wish to thank Messrs. W. A. Langdon, C. L. Jones, C. Krug, Charles Metz, G. G. Ryder and Ernest Smally for notes of interest

ALBANIA.—The Economist Stamp Co. inform us of the 2q surcharged stamp of the 1921 issue, No. 135, with the added surcharge "Q" in the lower left corner and the figure "1" in the lower right with a frame around the entire overprint. The color of the surcharge is black.

CYPRUS.—The Economist Stamp Co. report the 2 piastres value, carmine and ultramarine, on script watermarked paper.

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GYPT.—The Economist Stamp Co. ad-: that the 10m of the 1914 type has n issued in red.

EEWARD ISLANDS.—Mr. R. Roberts mits for chronicle a copy of 1d, King Grge type, in deep purple shade on pt watermarked paper.

ALTA.—A second supply of the stly new 4d "pictorial" which Messrs. itfield, King & Co. have just received loses that the stamp is in a distinct le from the first supply, and there very appearance of there having been resh printing. The first lot is in a lemon, while the second is more of range; further, the blue on the first ly is much deeper than that of the nd.—*Stamp Collecting.*

AURITIUS.—The Economist Stamp send us copies of the 6c purple and 20c ultramarine on script water-ked paper, both in the type of Scott's .

ONACO.—Mr. W. T. Wilson submits chronicle the 15c green and the 1fr the current issue overprinted "20" "50" respectively. Both surcharges in black. Mr. Wilson also informs hat he has received the 10fr claret e pictorial set which is the same de-as the 5fr recently issued.

EW ZEALAND.—Mr. Olaf T. Gylleck mits to us a cover received by him n Christ Church. The envelope has t appears to be two printings that e the cover look as though it was he metered mail variety but both are elled in the usual way by the can-ng machine. The stamps are printed he envelope in red with the values he upper corners and at base the "Christchurch." In the centre is all circle with "21" within and the r "N" at the left and "Z" at the t. Above in a curve "Postage" and below "Paid." Just below the circle Halfpence."

SSIA.—We are indebted to Mr. S. an for the information that a new of 14 values depicting transporta-of the post by the Artist Altmann soon appear. Also that a jubilee ommemorating five years of Soviet Régime will be placed on sale. On the 19th of August, the Central Committee for the aid of the famine sufferers have organized "the Philatelic Hour." Envelopes and stamps were sold with the surcharge in Russian characters in three lines. Mr. Hyman also sends us two values of a new design, 1k red and 5k green. The lettering runs from the lower left to the upper right corners in the 5k value and the opposite in the 1k stamp. Above is the usual emblem used on Russian stamps, on the 1k in the right corner is the figure of value with the reverse on the 5k.

We have received from Mr. S. A. Pappadopulo a cover with four values of Russian stamps with new surcharges: The correspondent writes that the issue of Priamur stamps, decided upon some time ago, is expected very soon. Already the 2k, 4k, 5k and 10k of the 1909-12 series have appeared with the surcharge "Priamurski Zemski Krai." The issue is composed of about 35 values as it was decided to overprint with the above mentioned surcharge the stock left of the stamps of the Republic of the Far East that the new government does not recognize, and also a stock existing in the post-office of the stamps of the Empire. These stamps are issued by the new Monarchical Government of the Priamur and will be sold on a gold basis.

SALVADOR.—Mr. W. L. Richmond advises that he has No. 979 with inverted surcharge.

ST. KITTS-NEVIS.—*Stamp Collecting* says "It is proposed to issue a special series of stamps in connection with the Tercentenary of the first settlement of the island, which falls next year. Out of the proceeds of the sale of these commemorative stamps it is hoped to acquire land for a public park and botanical gardens as a permanent record of the Tercentenary.

SEYCHELLES.—Mr. R. Roberts sends us the following new issues from this colony, 3c black, 4c green, 6c violet, 12c carmine and 15c yellow. All script watermarked printed in sheets of 120 from plate 10.

SWEDEN.—Mr. W. D. Scott, of Ashford, Kent, notifies receipt of the following:—
35 öre yellow (Crown and Posthorn).
45 öre brown (Crown and Posthorn).

Our Swedish Special Correspondent. Mr. Ragnar Lundberg, informs us that, as from October 1st, the Swedish Postal Administration has lowered several of the postage rates for inland mail as well as for letters sent abroad. A single letter, for instance, costs now 15 öre to any place in Sweden; 20 öre to Denmark, Finland and Norway; and 30 öre to other countries, instead of 20, 20 and 40 öre respectively hitherto. A consequence of these changes will be some new stamps. As to 15 öre stamps, we shall probably not get any novelties until the stocks of the 15 öre of 1910-19 and that of 1920 are exhausted. The 30 öre in blue and a new 75 öre value, however, are sure to be brought into circulation before long.

We have, further, to announce the issue of two series of stamps, which will appear in 1924, one in commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of the Universal Postal Union, and the other on account of the Eighth Congress of the Union, to be held at Stockholm in 1924. In order to get designs for these stamps the P. M. G. has arranged a general prize competition. Designs for the anniversary series should comprise some "international motif" and have the inscription "Union Postale Universelle 1874-1924" or "U.P.U. 1874-1924," in addition to the usual "Sverige" and, of course, the value. The Congress commemoratives must comprise some "Swedish motif" besides bearing the words "Världspost-föreningens VIIIe kongress," or "VIIIe Världspostkongr," and "Stockholm 1924," together with the value. The stamps will be of the size 26 by 32 mm; each value is to be printed in one colour.—*Stamp Collecting.*

UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.—Two esteemed correspondents in South Africa send news and examples of a curiosity of the current 1½d brown K. G.. *i.e.* inverted *sc tenant* with normal. We understand that these were prepared for the 1½d booklets, but as the postage for the Union is at present 2d per ounce, the booklets cannot yet be issued, so that it was thought advisable to issue the stamps thus in quarter panes. The first, second and third stamps of each row are in the normal upright position, and the fourth, fifth and sixth inverted.—*Stamp Collecting.*

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DENMARK.

1851-99
4rs, No. 2 ..... .12
2s, No. 3 ..... .65
4s, No. 4 ..... .06
8s, No. 5 ..... 1.10
16s, No. 6 ..... 3.50
4s, No. 7 ..... .06
2s, No. 11 ..... .50
4s, No. 13 ..... .05
2s, No. 16 ..... .10
3s, No. 17 ..... .65
8s, No. 19 ..... .30
5 ore, No. 27 .... *.40
20 ore, No. 31 .... .07
25 ore, No. 32 .... .05
50 ore, No. 33 .... .04
100 ore, No. 34 .. .10
50 ore, No. 50 .... .02
100 ore, No. 51 .. .03

1901-15
24 ore, No. 52 .... .07
4ö on 8ö, No. 55 .03
*15ö/24ö, No. 56 .10
15ö/24ö, No. 56 .07
25 ore, No. 65 .... .03
50 ore, No. 66 .... .12
100 ore, No. 67 .. .20
*100 ore, No. 67 .50
35 ore, No. 75 .... .07
50 ore, No. 76 .... .02
*50 ore, No. 76 .. .20
100 ore, No. 77 .. .02
*100 ore, No. 77 .50
35ö on 16ö (78) *.25
35ö on 20ö (79) *.25
35ö on 32ö (80) *.45
20 ore, No. 83 .... .02
5kr, No. 84 ..... .50
1ö to 25ö, Nos. 85 to 93, each .01
35 ore, No. 94 .. .02
50 ore, No. 95 .... .03
1kr, No. 97 ..... .03
2kr, No. 98 ..... .12
5kr, No. 99 ..... .60
80ö on 12ö (100) *.65
80ö on 8ö (101) *.65

1918 Surcharged.
*27 on 68ö (110) 1.00
27 on 5k (111).. .30
27 on 10k (112) .50
27 on 1ö (113).... .25
27 on 5o (114).... .20
27 on 7ö (115).... .20
27 on 8ö (116).... .20
27 on 10ö (117).. .20
27 on 20ö (118).. .20
27 on 29ö (119).. .25
*27 on 38ö (120) 1.00
27 on 41ö (121).. .20
27 on 1k (122).... .20

1918-19
7 ore, No. 123 .... .02
12 ore, No. 124.. .03
27 ore, No. 125.. .06
30 ore, No. 126.. .02
35 ore, No. 127.. .04
40 ore, No. 128.. .03
50 ore, No. 129.. .03
60 ore, No. 130.. .04
2ö on 5ö (131) 4.00

1920-22
8 ore, No. 135.... .02
25 ore, No. 136.. .04
40 ore, No. 137.. .03
70 ore, No. 138.. .06
90 ore, No. 139.. .07
5kr, No. 140 .... .50
10 ore, No. 141 .02
20 ore, No. 142 .02
40 ore, No. 143.. .04
8ö on 12ö (144) .05
40 ore, No. 147.. .04
1kr, No. 160 ..... .05

1907 Newspapers.
1ö to 10ö, Nos. 201 to 204, each .01
20ö to 1k, Nos. 205 to 208, each .02
5kr, No. 209 ..... .10
10kr, No. 210 .... .20

1915 Newspapers.
1 ore, No. 211 .... .02
5 ore, No. 212 .... .02
7 ore, No. 213 .... .02
8 ore, No. 214 .... .09
10 ore, No. 215.. .02
20 ore, No. 216.. .06
29 ore, No. 217.. .18
38 ore, No. 218.. .15
41 ore, No. 219.. .15
1kr, No. 220 ..... .06

1921 Charity.
*10ö+5ö, No. 251 .06
*20ö+10ö, No.252 .15

1917 Military.
*5 ore, No. 271.. .12
*10 ore, No. 272 .10

Official.
4s, No. 302 ..... .20
16s, No. 303 ..... 3.00
4 ore, No. 308 .... .02
8 ore, No. 309 .... .03
32 ore, No. 310 .. .20
3 ore, No. 314 .... .03
5 ore, No. 315 .... .02
10 ore, No. 316.. .02
3 ore, No. 319 .... .02
10 ore, No. 322 .. .02
15 ore, No. 323 .. .04
20 ore, No. 324 .. .04

1922 Postage Due.
*1 ore orange .... .02
*5 ore brown .... .02

NORWAY.

1859-75
4s, No. 1 ..... 3.00
3s, No. 3 ..... .60
4s, No. 4 ..... .07
8s, No. 5 ..... .50
4s, No. 8 ..... .07
8s, No. 9 ..... .60
*24s, No. 10 ..... .40
1s, No. 11 ..... .30
2s, No. 12 ..... .22
4s, No. 14 ..... .05
8s, No. 15 ..... .50
1s, No. 16 ..... .10
*1s, No. 16 ..... .15
*2s, No. 17 ..... .10
2s, No. 17a ..... .12
3s, No. 18 ..... .05
*4s, No. 19 ..... .10
6s, No. 20 ..... .50
7s, No. 21 ..... .40
*7s, No. 21 ..... .30

1877 Posthorn Shaded.
1 ore, No. 22 .... .04
3 ore, No. 23 .... .25
5 ore, No. 24 .... .05
5 ore, No. 24a .. .05
5 ore, No. 24b .. .10
10 ore, No. 25 .. .02
12 ore, No. 26 .. .20
20 ore, No. 27 .. .06
25 ore, No. 28 .. 1.00
35 ore, No. 29 .. .10
35 ore, No. 29a.. .15
50 ore, No. 30 .. .10
60 ore, No. 31 .. .10
1kr, No. 32 ..... .08
*1kr, No. 32 ..... .40
1k 50 ore, No. 33 .50
*1k 50 ore, No. 33 .60
2kr, No. 34 ..... .30
*2kr, No. 34 ..... .75

1883-90 Unshaded.
3 ore, No. 35 .... .03
3 ore, No. 35a .. .03
5 ore, No. 36 .... .02
5 ore, No. 36a .. .02
5 ore, No. 36b .. .15
10 ore, No. 37c.. .20
12 ore, No. 39 .. .70
12 ore, No. 39a.. .70
20 ore, No. 40 .. .20
20 ore, No. 41 .. .02
20 ore, No. 41c.. .10
25 ore, No. 42 .. .05
25 on 12ö, No. 43 .02
1 ore, No. 44 .... .50
1 ore, No. 45 .... .06
2 ore, No. 46 .... .03
*2 ore, No. 46.... .06

1893-1900
*1 ore, No. 59.... .03
*2 ore, No. 60.... .03
*3 ore, No. 61.... .05
*5 ore, No. 62.... .05

NORWAY—Continued.

*10 ore, No. 63.. .06
*20 ore, No. 64.. .10
35 ore, No. 66.... .06
50 ore, No. 67.... .02
60 ore, No. 68.... .03

1905 Surcharged.
1k on 2s, No. 69 .40
*1k on 2s (69) .50
1k 50ö on 2s (70) .75
2k on 2s, No. 71 .90
30ö on 7s, No. 72 .06

1907 Die A.
1kr, No. 74 ..... .25
*1kr, No. 74 ..... .50
1kr 50 ore (75) .60
*1kr 50 ore (75) 1.00
2kr, No. 76 ..... .50
*2kr, No. 76 .... 1.00
15ö on 4s (77).. .05
15 ore, No. 78.... .02

1909 Die B.
1kr, No. 79 ..... .50
1kr 50 ore (80) 3.50
2kr, No. 81 ..... .10

1858-66
5ö, No. 6 ..... .12
9ö, No. 7 ..... 3.00
12ö, No. 8 ..... .03
12ö, No. 9 ..... .05
24ö, No. 10 ..... .15
30ö, No. 11 ..... .25
3ö, No. 13 ..... .10
*3ö, No. 13 ..... .40
17ö No. 14 ..... 2.50
17ö, No. 15 .....10.00
20ö, No. 16 ..... .15

1872-76
3ö, No. 17 ..... .02
5ö, No. 19 ..... .07
12ö, No. 22 ..... .03
20ö, No. 23 ..... .10
30ö, No. 25 ..... .03
50ö, No. 26 ..... .07
3ö, No. 28 ..... .02
6ö, No. 31 ..... .02
24ö, No. 34 ..... .05
30ö, No. 35 02
50ö, No. 36 ..... .03
1k, No. 38 ..... .04

1886-91
2ö, No. 40 ..... *.04
3ö, No. 41 ..... .03
4ö, No. 42 ..... .02
6ö, No. 44 ..... *.10
*10ö, No. 45 ..... .25
50ö, No. 48 ..... .02
1kr, No. 49 02
10ö on 12ö (50) .10
10ö on 24ö (51) *.25
*1ö to 5ö, Nos. 52 to 56, each .03
*10ö, No. 57 ..... .04
*15ö, No. 58 ..... .08

1900-17
1kr, No. 63 ..... .02
8ö, No. 64 ..... .02
5kr, No. 66 ..... .30
*5kr, No. 66 ..... 2.00
1ö, No. 67 ..... *.02
2ö, No. 68 ..... .02
*4ö, No. 69 ..... .05
5ö, No. 70 ..... .06
5kr, No. 73 ..... .02
5kr, No. 73 ..... .40
20ö, No. 75 ..... .04
25ö, No. 76 ..... .03
*5ö, No. 77 ..... .02
8ö, No. 78 ..... .02
*10ö, No. 79 ..... .05
*20ö, No. 81 ..... .10
50ö, No. 85 ..... .02
2ö, No. 87 ..... .02
3ö, No. 88 ..... .02
1.98 on 5k (90) .40
2.12 on 5k (91) .50
40ö, No. 92 ..... .02
*65ö, No. 94 ..... .25
90ö, No. 96 ..... .06

1918-21
7 on 10ö (97) .... .03
12 on 25ö (98).... .03
12 on 65ö (99).... .05
27 on 55ö (100).. .10
27 on 65ö (101) .10
27 on 80ö (102) .10
7ö, No. 105 ..... .02

1910-11
1ö to 60ö, Nos. 82 to 92, each .01

1911-18 Die C.
1kr, No. 93 ..... .03
1kr 50 ore (94) .10
2kr, No. 95 ..... .07
5kr, No. 96 ..... .40

1914-20
5 ore, No. 97 .... .02
*5 ore, No. 97 .. .03
10 ore, No. 98 .. .02
*10 ore, No. 98.. .05
20 ore, No. 99 .. .08
*20 ore, No. 99.. .10
12 ore, No. 100.. .02
15 ore, No. 101.. .02
40 ore, No. 103.. .03

Postage Due.
1ö to 20ö, Nos. 201 to 204, each .02
50 ore, No. 205.. .15
*15 ore, No. 207.. .02
*15 ore, No. 207 .06

SWEDEN.

12ö, No. 108 ..... .02
1kr, No. 111 ..... .04
110ö, No. 144 .... .35
140ö, No. 145 .... .40

1856 City Postage.
(1sk), No. 201....*2.50
(3 ore), No. 202 *4.00

1916-18 Charity.
*5 on 2ö (211).... .12
*5 on 3ö (212).... .10
*5 on 4ö (213).... .10
*5 on 5ö (214).... .10
*5 on 6ö (215).... .10
*10 on 12ö (216) .18
*10 on 20ö (217) .18
*10 on 24ö (218) .18
*10 on 30ö (219) .18
*10 on 50ö (220) .18
10 on 5k (221)..*3.50
*5 on 1ö (222).. .20
*5 on 3ö (223).. .20
*5 on 5ö (224).. .20
*5 on 6ö (225).. .20
*10 on 30ö (229) .20
10 on 1k (231)..*7.50
7 on 2ö (232).... .10
7 on 3ö (233).... .07
7 on 4ö (234).... .07
7 on 5ö (235).... .07
7 on 6ö (236).... .07
12 on 12ö (239) .10
12 on 20ö (240) .10
12 on 24ö (241) .10
12 on 30ö (242) .10
12 on 50ö (243) .10

1920 Airpost.
10 on 3ö (301).. *.04
20 on 2ö (302).. *.08
50 on 4ö (303).. *.20

1874-77 Postage Due.
1ö, No. 351 ..... *.10
*3ö, No. 352 ..... .10
*5ö, No. 353 ..... .15
*6ö, No. 354 ..... .15
12ö, No. 355 .... *.06
24ö, No. 358 ..... *.50
1kr, No. 361 ..... .30
1ö, No. 362 ..... *.02
3ö, No. 363 ..... *.03
5ö, No. 364 ..... *.02
6ö, No. 365 ..... *.03
12ö, No. 366 ..... *.05
20ö, No. 367 ..... *.03
24ö, No. 368 ..... .10
*30ö, No. 370 .... .04
50ö, No. 371 ..... .03
1kr, No. 372 ..... .10

1874-93 Official.
3ö, No. 401 ..... .07
*4ö, No. 402 ..... 1.00
*5ö, No. 403 ..... .60
24ö, No. 408 ..... .10
3ö, No. 412 ..... .03
4ö, No. 413 ..... .02
6ö, No. 415a ..... .15
*6ö, No. 415a .... .20
12ö, No. 417 ..... .04
20ö, No. 418 ..... .02
24ö, No. 419 ..... .10
50ö, No. 421 ..... .06
1kr, No. 422 ..... .03
10 on 12ö (423) *.18

SWEDEN—Continued.

10 on 24ö (424) *.25
2ö, No. 425 ..... *.02
*20ö, No. 426 .... .10
*50ö, No. 427 .... .50

1910-19 Official.
1ö to 30ö, Nos. 428 to 437, each .02
50ö, No. 438 ..... .05
1kr, No. 439 ..... .12
5kr, No. 440 ..... .30
2ö to 35ö, Nos. 442 to 451, each .02
1ö, No. 453 ..... .02
7ö, No. 455 ..... .02
12ö, No. 457 ..... .02
15ö, No. 458 ..... .02

CHINA.

1878-98
1c, No. 1 ..... 1.25
3c, No. 2 ..... .50
5c, No. 3 ..... .50
*1c, No. 4 ..... .10
3c, No. 5 ..... .10
5c, No. 7 ..... .12
*1c, No. 9 ..... .22
*5c, No. 20 ..... .35
*1c, No. 21 ..... .10
5c, No. 25 ..... .15
1c, No. 35 ..... *.15
1c on 3c, No. 44 .10
2c, No. 52 ..... .05
10c, No. 55 ..... .15
*4c, No. 66 ..... .05
*5c, No. 67 ..... .20
*5c, No. 67a ..... .20
*10c, No. 68 ..... .13
*20c, No. 69 ..... .25
20c, No. 69 ..... .10
30c, No. 70 ..... .25
50c, No. 71 ..... .35
*50c, No. 71 ..... .63
$1, No. 72 ..... .50

1902-10
4c, No. 78 ..... .03
5c, No. 79 ..... .15
*10c, No. 81 ..... .20
20c, No. 82 ..... .04
50c, No. 84 ..... .06
4c, No. 91 ..... .05
7c, No. 93 ..... *.10
7c, No. 98 ..... .06

1912 Surcharged.
½c, No. 119 ..... *.02
1c, No. 120 ..... *.02
2c, No. 121 ..... .02
*3c, No. 122 ..... .03
*4c, No. 123 ..... .04
*5c, No. 124 ..... .03

RUSSIA.

1858-92
10k, No. 8 ..... .08
10k, No. 15 ..... .30
3k, No. 20 ..... .03
5k, No. 22 ..... .03
10k, No. 23 ..... .03
20k, No. 24 ..... .40
30k, No. 25 ..... .50
30k, No. 25a 50
2k, No. 26 ..... .03
20k, No. 30 ..... .20
70k, No. 38 ..... .10
50k, No. 44 ..... .02
1r, No. 45 ..... .03
35k, No. 52 04

1902-12
15k to 50k, Nos. 62 to 66, each .02
70k, No. 67 ..... .04
1r, No. 68 ..... .02
3½r, No. 69 ..... .15
7r, No. 70 ..... .15
10r, No. 72 ..... .15
*4k, No. 76 ..... .02
*5k, No. 77 ..... .02
*14k, No. 80 05

1913 Romanoff.
1k to 10k, Nos. 88 to 93, each .02
14k, No. 94 ..... .03
20k, No. 96 ..... .02
35k, No. 98 ..... .05
50k, No. 99 ..... .07
70k, No. 100 ..... .07
1r, No. 101 ..... .04
*5r, No. 104 ..... 1.50
5r, No. 104 ..... .50

1915 Paper Money.
*10k, No. 105 .... .04
*15k, No. 106 .... .08
*20k, No. 107 .... .08

1916-17 Surcharged.
*10k on 7k (110) .03
*20k on 14k (111) .06
10k on 7k (112) *.03
20k on 14k (113) *.05

1917-18
*1-2-3-5k, Nos. 114-15-16-18, ea. .02
*4k, No. 117 ..... .05
10k, No. 120 .....*1.75
15k, No. 122 06
*50k, No. 126 13
*1r, No. 128 ..... .05
*5r, No. 130 ..... .20
*15k, No. 133 .... .02
*35k, No. 134 05
*3½r, No. 135 .... .08
*10r, No. 138 .... .20

1918-19 Cardboard.
*1 on 1k (139) .03
*2 on 2k (140) .05
3k, No. 143 ..... *.04

Northwest Army.
*5r, No. 162 ..... 2.50

Army of the North.
5k to 50k, Nos. 165-169, each *.02

1921-22
*100r, No. 181.... .03
*200r, No. 182.... .05
*250r, No. 183b.. .05
*300r, No. 184.... .05
*500r, No. 185.... .08
*1000r, No. 186.. .05
*100r, No. 188.... .06
*250r, No. 189.... .06
*1000r, No. 190.. .06
5000r, No. 193.... .20

Charity.
3(6)k, No. 301 *.20
5(8)k, No. 302 *.20
7(10)k, No. 303 *.20
10k, No. 312 ..... *.
Wenden.
*2k, No. 408 .....
*2k, No. 412 .....

RUSSIA—Continued.

10(13)k, No. 304 *.20
1k, No. 305 ..... *.02
3k, No. 306 ..... *.03
7k, No. 307 ..... *.05

RUSSIA—OFFICES IN TURKEY.

1872-84
3k, No. 13 ..... .40
5k, No. 14 ..... .15
10k, No. 15 ..... .03
*2k, No. 21a ..... .50
7k, No. 22 ..... .15
1k, No. 23 ..... *.03
2k, No. 24 ..... *.05
7k, No. 26 ..... .07

1900-9
*4pa on 1k (27) .04
*4pa on 1k (28) .04
*10pa on 2k (29) .04
10pa on 2k (31) *.03
20pa on 4k (32) *.05
5pi on 50k (35) *.35
7pi on 70k (36) *.50
*35pi on 3½r (38) 1.75
*70pi on 7r (39) 2.50

1909-10 Surcharged Names of Cities.
5pia on 50k (65) *.30
7pia on 70k (66) *.50
*10pia on 1r (67) .75
5pia on 50k (75) *.30
7pia on 7k (76) *.50
*5pa on 1k (81) .02
*1pia on 10k (84) .06
*5pia on 50k (85) .30
*7pia on 70k (86) 50
*5pia on 50k (95) .30
*7pia on 70k (96) .50
*10pia on 1r (97) .75
*1pia on 10k (104) .06
*5pia on 50k (105) .30
*7pia on 70k (106) .50
*10pia on 1r (107) .75
*7pia on 70k (116) .50
*10pia on 1r (117) .75
5pia on 50k (135) *.30
7pia on 70k (136) *.50
*20pa on 4k (143) .05
*1pia on 10k (144) .06
*5pia on 50k (145) .30

RUSSIA—OFFICES IN CHINA.

1899-1907
*7k, No. 5 ..... .07
*10k, No. 6 ..... .10
20k, No. 14 ..... .15
3½r, No. 20 ..... 1.50
5r, No. 21 ..... 2.50
*7r, No. 22 ..... 4.25

1910-16
1k, No. 24 ..... *.02
*2k, No. 26 ..... .03
*2k, No. 27 ..... 1.00
3k, No. 28 ..... *.04
*3k, No. 29 ..... 1.50
4k, No. 30 ..... *.04
*4k, No. 31 ..... 1.50
*7k, No. 32 ..... .05
*10k, No. 33 ..... .06
14k, No. 34 ..... .08
*15k, No. 36 ..... .13
*20k, No. 37 ..... .25
*25k, No. 38a .... .30
*25k, No. 39 ..... .25
*35k, No. 40 ..... .25

1876-96
1s, No. 56 ..... .03
8s, No. 62 ..... .05
15s, No. 65 04
50s, No. 72 ..... .30
*2s, No. 85 ..... .05
5s, No. 86 ..... .10
2s, No. 87 ..... .07
5s, No. 88 ..... .08
2s, No. 89 ..... .07
5s, No. 90 ..... .08

1905-21
3s, No. 110 ..... .10
1½s, No. 111 07
*1½s, No. 111 .... .15
3s, No. 112 ..... .20
5y, No. 113 ..... .05
10y, No. 114 ..... .15
4s, No. 120 ..... .03
25s, No. 124 ..... .03

JAPAN.

1y, No. 125 .....
1y, No. 137 .....
5y, No. 138 .....
10y, No. 139 .....
1½s, No. 140 .....
3s, No. 141 .....
4s, No. 142 .....
10s, No. 143 .....
1½s, No. 144 .....
3s, No. 145 .....
*1½s, No. 164 ....
*3s, No. 165 .....

Military Stamps.
3s, No. 201 .....
3s, No. 202 .....
3s, No. 203 .....

Offices in China.
*4s, No. 306 .....
1y, No. 314 .....
10y, No. 321 ..... 3.

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CUBA "Y¼" SURCHARGE OF 1855.

By Dr. F. Kalckhoff.

In the No. 1 of Volume III of *Scott's Monthly Journal*, there was a paper whose author tried once more to solve the question of the meaning of the letter "Y" surcharged on the 2 reales stamps of the Spanish West Indies, which has troubled philatelists ever since these stamps came over to Europe.

In the Spanish, as it is written, there is very little difference between the majuscles "I" and "Y," as likewise with other European nations using the Latin letters. Therefore, it happened very often that a printer, following a manuscript, took the type "Y" for "I" as an initial. (In other languages we find a "J" for an "I.") Could any conclusion be nearer than that: that the "Y" on the Cuban stamps was the initial of a word beginning with "I"? Certainly not. But then the question arose, "Which might be the word thus abbreviated?" At first was taken the word "I" (equalling "and") itself and, accordingly, the stamp was supposed to bear the value of 2¼ reales. But this theory became void when Mr. F. Diveo unearthed the order by which this stamp was introduced as a local stamp for the town of Habana at the value of ¼ real p. f. Now the guessing about the meaning of the queer letter again arose. The authority of J. B. Moens became responsible for the interpretation of it as an abbreviation for "Interior", which was based upon the fact that Spanish words beginning with an "I" were in print often rendered with the initial "Y", though this is but a printer's misuse, caused by the confounding of the script "I" with the script "Y". But M. Moens' interpretation is not convincing, for the word "Interior" could only refer to the interior service of the whole island of Cuba and not to the "local" service of the town of Habana. Some other interpretations (Isabella, interino, idem) are too artificial and cannot be seriously considered.

Now some twenty-eight years ago a German philatelist, Mr. Rudolf Friederich, published a new interpretation, which was based on the authority of two Spanish gentlemen, who had been living in Habana at the time these stamps were current. One of these gentlemen was Colonel Don José Espi y Cubillo, the other Don Vincente Sanchez Bregua, a merchant from Sevilla, whom Mr. Friederich got acquainted with in 1884 at Madrid. Both of these Spaniards declared the "Y" as a commercial abbreviation for "real plata fuerte", just as $ means "dollar" or £ means "pound sterling." If we take this for granted any difficulty of interpretation disappears. The surcharge of the "Y¼" stamp means simply "real plata fuerte" and thus becomes the most natural surcharge, which everyone in Habana then would have understood.

It is not to be wondered at that this sign had fallen into oblivion. In 1866 the currency in Cuba was altered and the real plata fuerte disappeared. The sig was only used within the small colony European merchants in Habana, who d mostly stay there but for a few year Thus none of those who came to Haba after 1866 would have learned the obs lete sign, and philately doubtless enter Habana at a much later date. On t other side, it is most natural that t local postal administration made use this sign on a stamp which was excl sively intended for the correspondence the Havanese merchants and not to used on letters going abroad. Amer philatelists now have a chance to confir this information by further investigati in Cuban commercial books or new papers of the Fifties.—*Scott's Month Journal.*

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The postage in Switzerland is high, being eight cents against our five cents for foreign letters and four cents against our two cents for interior letters, ex- cepting those inside a ten-kilometer limit. Much to the annoyance of the Swiss Government, instead of increasing re- ceipts the new rates have caused a big deficit.—*Washington Post.*

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Editorial.

Contributions to this dept. are now in order, so if you can shake a humorous self filler don't be backward about coming forward with your best efforts, either prose or poetry as you may elect.

They say, that he who can grow a smile where a smile never grew before deserves credit, therefore, as we want to grow miles of smiles, we must have lots of credit-ors.

Tickling the funny-bone has been the means of putting many big things over, and it will help to make Philately more attractive and boost our hobby, so please remember this—

If you can't be a pine on the top of the hill,
Be a scrub in the valley—but be
The best little scrub by the side of the rill;
Be a bush, if you can't be a tree.
If you can't be a sun, be a star—
Be the best little booster whatever you are.

Luke McGluke Helps "Uncle" Pick Out a New Series of Postage Stamps.

Well—you see it happened like this—I was jest recuperatin from a bad attack of the influendways and was jest debatin with myself whether I should go South for the Winter or North for the hay fever—when I happens to lamp a news item in the N. Y. Gussette that says they was thinkin of changin the designs on the postage stickers, the reason for all of this hilarity was that "Uncle" was losein oodles of kale every new moon on short paid stuff and 90% of the P. O. clerks were developin cross-eyes at an alarmin rate tryin to tell a 1c stamp from an 8c with out squintin.

And the article also says that sugges- tions from anyone would be welcome, well—seein as how that Suggestin is my middle name and as I could qualify in the anyone class I decided to grab a rattler for old D. C. where "Uncle" keeps his stamp foundry and have a talk with my old friend Irv Glover who hap- pens to be the third P. M. G. ever since Volstead made bootlegging an art.

When I arrived I ambled over to the Bureau of Engravin and Printin this be- in the place where Irv generally hangs out, except when he's playing Gulf.

So I sends in my card and asks could I see him on important business, and pretty soon I gets a high ball that its my move, so I trots right in.

Hello Irv old dear, your lookin kinda peaked.

Why Hello Luke, says he, you'd look worsen that if you had my job just now. How come, sez I, lookin as innocent as Babe Ruth jest after makin a home run.

Well you see we kind of thot we had ought to make a few changes in our postage stamps for the good of the ser- vice, so we asked for suggestions, and we gottem alright, but the more we get the less we know about it, so I am not yet sure any changes will be made.

Now Luke what do you think of the present series of postage stamps? Think of it, Sez I. Why it's Monotonous, Monotonous, Sez Irv. Yep, Sez I, lookin wise, worse than the last two Worlds Series. As bad as that sez he lookin kinda worried. I'll tell you straight Irv. What you want to do is to get out a classy set of stickers, make it a fifty- fifty proposition you know, half of it so it will be O. K. with the masses and the other half O. K. with the classes. A fine idea, Sez Irv, smilein for the first time. Could you make a few sugges- tions. That's me all over, Irv, Sez I, but I got it all doped out on the train comein down here, I sez, handin him this list.

And this is the dope as I handed it to him.

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11c Dark green and black, 22 x 35mm, Niagara Falls.
12c Claret and black, Grand Canyon.
13c Brown and black, Pikes Peak.
15c Grey and black, Yellowstone Park scene.
20c Blue and black, the Golden Gate.
30c Orange and black, Alaskan Seal on ice cake.
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$5.00 Light Green and black, Statue of Liberty.

That would make a classy series of stamps Sez Irv.

You know it, Sez I, that would make the hicks in the sticks vote the Republican ticket for life.

I guess you'r right Luke, I'll think this over and thanks for the dope—Good Bye Luke—Good Bye Irv—

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A feller's glad to be a friend,
A helpin' hand he'll always lend,
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This Brotherhood of shifts an' broken line,
An' cats' an' tongs is simply fine;
Men come real close to God's design,
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A feller isn't plottin' schemes,
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"Its advantages are clear." an official of the G. P. O. told *The Evening News* today. "Stamp-licking will be a memory of the past.

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"We are not allowed to sell the machine," the secretary of the Universal Postal Frankers, Ltd., told *The Evening News* today. "We may only hire it out. We have already received hundreds of applications from all parts of the world, and the first machines will be issued and licensed in the next few weeks."

POSTAGE STAMP ISSUES MARK NEAR EAST EVENTS.

LONDON, Nov. 4.—Postage stamps illustrate each succeeding phase of the Near East crisis, writes Douglas B. Armstrong in the *Daily Express.*

The special issues made by Kemal Pasha's government, at Angora, already number nearly a hundred varieties, some of which are scarce. At first a varied assortment of current and obsolete Turkish postage and fiscal stamps were pressed into the service and adapted to the needs of the Nationalist party by overprinting them.

Early in the present year, however, these emergency stamps were replaced by a full series printed in pictorial designs, including views of the National Assembly, the Lyceum at Sivas, the Mosque of Selim and types of Turkish soldiers. One of the designs represents the Arabic fable of the Lion and the Serpent; another a view of Adana from the sea. The designs were prepared by the Turkish artist Vahadeddin.—Chicago *Herald-Examiner.*

CANADA PUTS POSTOFFICE 850 MILES FROM POLE.

OTTAWA. ONT., Nov. 4.—Canada has established the farthest north post-office in the world, according to a report just issued by the Department of the Interior, covering the work of the expedition which explored the northern archipelago this Summer under the direction of J. D Craig.

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STAMPS OF THE FUTURE.

By DOUGLAS B. ARMSTRONG.

Above will be found a type of the British postal frank already put into use, and it is expected that other values up to at least one shilling will soon appear. The other designs are being considered by the several governments represented, according to the "Philatelic Magazine."

In the history of the post and the postage stamp a new era is dawning. We live in a mechanical age, and the application of machinery to the purposes of postal prepayment was merely a matter of time. The advent of the automatic postal franking machine is destined to revolutionize the world's postal system, so that the innovation is worthy of more than passing attention at the hands of philatelists, upon whom its effects must ultimately recoil.

Within the next few years a very large proportion of the world's correspondence will be despatched under frank in lieu of the present ubiquitous adhesive stamp. The natural result of this will be a steady decline in the consumption of postage stamps, which, in Great Britain alone, now amounts to something like seven thousand millions annually, and while it is not suggested that the adhesive label will ever become extinct, the tendency must inevitably be for the demand to become "smaller by degrees and beautifully less"; which is all to the good so far as the philatelist is concerned. New issues will be fewer and further between; printings will be smaller, and the rarity of all adhesive postal issues greater in proportion.

The collecting of Postal Stationery, which already shows signs of revival, should receive fresh impetus with the coming of the universal postal frank in its many and varied forms, since there can be little question but that the modern stamp collection will be deemed incomplete that does not include these latest tokens of postal progress.

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As many as 25,000 letters daily can be franked by the latest type of machine, which is operated by electricity, or if an automatic feeding device be employed, up to 200,000 or more. In addition to the frank, letters are postmarked in black with the date and place of posting in one continuous operation, so that they may be handed in at the post office for immediate despatch. Amongst the obvious commercial advantages of the system are the protection it affords against petty theft and pilferage of stamps and the misuse of stamps by employees, coupled with the immense saving of time and labour in the case of firms having a large postal business. Moreover, the "franks" are not negotiable like postage stamps. Wrappers, labels and telegrams can be franked on the same machine and its use in connection with National Health Insurance is under consideration.

From the point of view of the Post Office it is estimated that 50% of the labour of cancelling and sorting is eliminated under the franking system, and its general adoption will effect an annual saving of £1,000,000 in the working of the Post Office, apart from the reduction in the use of adhesive stamps costing £40 a million to print.

Postal franking machines are being installed by a large number of important business houses throughout Great Britain, each of whom will then possess a mechanical Post Office of its own. The adoption of the machine is also under consideration by several European Governments. The initial cost of installation is relatively small and once this has been covered, a nominal rental to cover the cost of inspection and maintenance is charged. At the present time upwards of one thousand Universal Postal Frankers are in service in New Zealand, India, Egypt and elsewhere.

Early Experiments.

The original postal stamping machine from which the present improved type is evolved, hailed from New Zealand and was the invention of a Mr. Moss, a naturalised New Zealander. It was coin-freed machine, and with the sanction of the Dominion postal authorities was installed outside the G. P. O. at Wellington for a period of six months in the latter part of 1903. It was subsequently removed owing to the insertion of metal tokens, etc., by the public in substitution for coin of the realm.

A hand-operated model was next produced by the Automatic Stamping Company of Christchurch, N. Z., and fifty of these machines were either sold outright or rented to approved commercial firms under license from the New Zealand Post Office Department. With certain modifications and improvements this is substantially the same machine that is now beng introduced into the British postal service.

Postal Franks and the U. P. U.

The use of postal franks in the prepayment of international postage was authorised for the first time by the Postal Union Congress at Madrid in 1920, the Convention containing, however, the following *proviso*:—

"ARTICLE VI. Para. 1.

Impressions produced by stamping machines must include an indication of the country of origin.

They must be bright red in colour, whatever the value represented by them."

Franks employed for internal postage only, may be impressed in colours corresponding to the same denominations of adhesive stamps. This is the case in the United States where 1 cent franks are printed in green, 2 cents in red, and so on up to 10 cents, which is the highest value frank in use.

The illustrations accompanying this article show the type of postal franks approved by H. M. Postmaster-General for general use in this country, as well as others, either in actual use or under consideration by foreign governments.

It is curious to note that, save for the application of modern methods, the franking system is in reality a reversion to a form of postal prepayment that was in vogue long before the invention of the "label with the glutinous wash," when "PAID" marks were applied to letters handed in at the post office. Modern invention has made possible its revival as a practical aid to postal progress.—*Philatelic Magazine.*

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By W. Ward.

It is not generally known when the first precancelled stamps were used, and that they are much older in use than generally supposed.

The first stamps so treated were the 1c of Canada deep yellow, 1888, Scott's No. 32, and were first cancelled at the end of the eighties. Sold in complete sheets by the several largest post-offices in the Dominion, they were cancelled by the ordinary local "killer" handstamp bearing the post-office number in a variety of circles and ovals. Later the 2c, 3c and 5c were so treated, and half sheets were sold to firms of standing.

Practically the only way to distinguish these early precancels is to possess pairs, strips or blocks, so that the killer cancellation is shown repeated, and not with the ordinary dated town's mark. Those that I have so far noted—though there must be others—and they seem to be very scarce, are those of Ottawa, a circle the size of a quarter dollar, with 19 fine lines, and the center punched out oval shape bearing the figure "1". The other was St. John, New Brunswick, a long shaped oval of 14 lines with a circle let in containing a bold numeral "1". In both cases the stamps were the deep yellow, and rather large spacing of perforation, with the result that some of the stamps on the original sheet must have been badly cut into.

It is also probable that the same issue were precancelled by having lines ruled across the rows of stamps, as one often sees them in this state, without the ink ruling carrying on to the portion of the cover that they are affixed to, but of course these can hardly be considered as legitimate precancels.

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A CANADIAN ANACHRONISM.

By R. M. Angus.

An interesting heraldic mistake in the design of the entire Georgian series of Canadian Postage stamps has only recently been noticed.

It appears that a philatelist visited the office of the Post Office Inspector in one of the Western Provinces of Canada, and asked him by what right the Queen's Crown appeared upon all the stamps of the Canadian Georgian series instead of the King's Crown. The Post Office Inspector having some official business to transact at Ottawa shortly afterwards, was enjoying the privilege of seeing over the plant of the British American Bank Note Co. and witnessing how postage stamps are made, and pointed out to a high official of that firm the obvious mistake that appeared on the Canadian Georgians. The official expressed great surprise when this was shown him and fully concurred with the error, stating that they themselves had not observed it and it was the first time it had been pointed out to them.

Whether it will be considered advisable in the interests of heraldry and correct designing to remedy this mistake is an interesting question, but if it entails the preparation of new plates, the expense may be a strong factor against any change being made.

The crown was correctly changed on the Edwardian stamps from Queen's crown to King's and why it should have reverted to Queen's crown again when King George ascended the throne remains a mystery. I have looked through the Edwardian and Georgian stamps of all the other British Colonies but can find no case of error among them except in this one case of the Canadian stamps.

A similar mistake occurred in 1902, when the first Edwardian five cent coins were struck in Canada, the Queen's crown being retained on the obverse. This was corrected in the 1903 issue.

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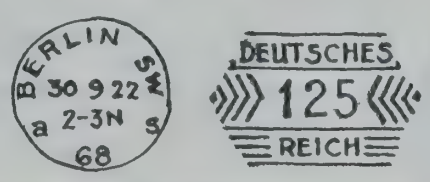

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—We heartily congratulate the *Philatelic Journal of Great Britain* upon its "special double number" for October, 1922, in celebration of the "diamond jubilee" of the house of Pemberton, the publishers of the magazine. There is so much of interest in the pages of the number that bridges Edward L Pemberton, 1862, with Sefi, Pemberton & Company, Ltd., 1922, that we must speak of certain of the features later.

—At the meeting of the Royal Philatelic Society, London, held November 16, 1922, Mr. A. Leon Adutt was announced as the exhibitor of proofs, essays and stamps of the U. S. A., 1845-9. Mr. Adutt has performed many friendly services in behalf of philately, we may add. At the meeting held October 12, the attraction was the "display of the early stamps of Trinidad from His Majesty's collection, with notes by the President on the De La Rue printings of 1862-82."

—A correspondent says that "some of the dealers in France seem disinclined to sell one the stamps one wants" and that "they are rather independent about selling stamps at all."

—The news of the death of Mr. Theodore Buhl, one of London's oldest dealers, has been chronicled. Mr. Buhl is remembered as having contributed largely to commercial activities in London two or three decades ago.

—Christmas is coming—Say It With Stamps!

—The Post-office Department at Washington announced on October 27, that in October, up to that date, the Department had supplied to post-offices throughout the country 2,124,265,360 postage stamps. The Department figures that if these stamps were placed end to end they would reach 28,737 miles. In printing these stamps 138,036 pounds of gum, 116,220 pounds of ink, and 399,125 pounds of paper were used.—CHAS. G. WILSON.

—The San Francisco Stamp Society is now meeting in its own club room at 329 Call Bldg., 74 New Montgomery St. Members and friends are cordially urged to visit the same. December 4 there will be an exhibit of Germany and Colonies.

—W. H. Schaffner of Marion, O., informs us that the Marion post-office has just issued its first precancels. There are various denominations, up to the 30c, inclusive.

—W. W. Betts of Clearfield, Pa., is publishing a very artistic monthly journal. No. 7 of Volume 2 for November is before us and a sample copy will no doubt be sent upon application.

—H. E. Harris & Co. has issued a very fine pricelist dated November-December. It is of interest both to dealer and collector, covering, as it does, a wide range of offerings. A copy will be sent by addressing the firm at 161 Massachusetts Ave., Boston, Mass.

—R. T. Kingsbury, Keene, N. H., A. P. S. 6180, is a candidate for mayor of that city. His election prospects are good.

DEATH OF HARRY B. AGARD.

We are advised by J. M. Bartels of the death of Harry B. Agard of Westerly, R. I. We do not have any of the particulars nor can we give an extended account of Mr. Agard's philatelic career. We do know that for more than a score of years he has been a subscriber to the WEEKLY, and his death occurred very suddenly September 14.

NEW HONOR ROLL.

Beginning October 1, we commenced a new subscription honor roll and we are well pleased with the results of the first month's work Many have participated and below will be found a record of the subscriptions sent in. We do not need to comment upon individual activities, but take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation of the work that has been done. We are especially indebted to those dealers who believe in the WEEKLY sufficiently to help promote the common philatelic welfare. The record for October is as follows:—

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F. W. Takagi	2
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Karl Kosloski	2

No fewer than twenty-eight have sent in new single subscriptions and we expect further names upon our roll of honor as a result of November solicitations. Subscription blanks may be secured upon application at this office. We shall give a half and two quarter pages of advertising to the three standing highest upon our roll of honor during the coming year.

THE MANAGING EDITOR.

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If the daily publication of the post-office department at Washington finds it advisable to give prominent space to the following communication from an ardent collector, we certainly may do likewise. We trust that the interrogation with which the notice is concluded will not be lost on postmasters.

PHILATELIC AGENCY LAUDED.

THIRD ASST. POSTMASTER GENERAL,
WASHINGTON, November 6, 1922.

The following letter commending the department's Philatelic Stamp Agency has just been received:

PEORIA, ILL., November 1, 1922.

MR. W. IRVING GLOVER,
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DEAR SIR: I desire to commend your department upon the fine manner in which your Philatelic Stamp Agency is serving the needs of the stamp collectors of the country and to assure you that the efforts of the department are indeed greatly appreciated.

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W. IRVING GLOVER,
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* * *

This reference to the Philatelic Agency impels us to give a word of praise to the American stamp dealers who have shown practically a unanimity of regard for the government's accommodation, even though it could be said, with some stretch of the imagination, that the Washington agency was taking a bit of business away from them. Instead of any tendency to grumble at the enterprise of the government, they express satisfaction that the authorities have established this convenience for collectors; and they look upon Washington's recognition of the stamp collector as something more important than a few more pennies in pocket.

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We wish to call attention to the intelligent treatment given philatelic news occasionally by the New York *Times*, one of the stars of the inky way of newspaperdom. We suppose that the fact that the *Times* copies some of our feature stuff and gives full credit, has its influence with us, but we want to commend the fairness and eke the nose for news of this great New York newspaper, whose managing editor knows what people want to read, in our humble opinion. Even though we are prejudiced in favor of stamps, we defy any news purveyor to the public taste to find better provender than that provided by the news of the stamps now being issued and their designs and the snap-shot of Mr. Hind, "America's Biggest Stamp Collector," a fact recognized by the *Times*. In its issue of November 8th, a column article was printed, based on Mr. Ward's article on Mr. Hind, in our issue of October 30th and in the *Times* of the following day, an editorial, "A Passion for Collecting" appeared, although the writer of it not unnaturally questions any logical progression that could justify the payment of over $34,000 for a single stamp. We must not shrink from the scalpel of cold analysis and we have no quarrel with the man who proceeds dispassionately to inquire into the rationale of philately and we shall print the *Times'* editorial elsewhere.

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Speaking of editorials, the Chicago *Journal of Commerce* headed an article in its editorial column recently, "The Spyglass of Columbus," and spoke of the St. Kitts-Nevis stamps showing Columbus squinting through his trusty spyglass. The editor says that "as a result the fun-makers are having a fine time at the expense of the postal authorities of St. Christopher and Nevis." Welladay, when the lynxes of the newspaper press scent a stamp story that appeals to them, they run it to death. The "Columbus spyglass" anachronism is traveling the world around and we suppose that by this time the readers of the Patagonia Public Press are grappling with it.

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From Mr. Douglas P. Ball, we have received the following letter: "Attached are covers from Battle Creek, Nebraska, and Clifton, Illinois, both fourth class post offices and both 'sporting' the advertising cancellation, 'Address your mail to street and number,' although the population of each is less than 600, according to the latest census. As I understand that the postmasters have to buy the dies for these advertising cancellations, I cannot understand their purpose, as the towns, if they *do* boast a 'Main Street' probably have gone to the length of numbering the stores. What do you make of it, Watson?" Watson has been so busy electing his philatelic friends to office, that now that the strain is relaxed he is in a comatose condition, but he rouses himself sufficiently to say that every postmaster of a fourth class office is a regular Babbitt of a booster and that he is merely anticipating the future greatness of his burg, a few years hence.

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We have received from Mr. H. F. Rech, a schedule of "Approximate time of mails, and distance between New York and certain places in foreign countries," which presents some interesting figures. Bagdad, Mesopotamia, is second farthest away in a postal sense and it requires forty-two days to establish communication with that place; and Bangkok, Siam, is thirty-eight days distant, or 14,939 miles. We forgot to say that Bagdad's score is 14,229 miles. We are relieved to know that our host of subscribers at Half Jack, Ivory Coast, West Africa, 7,670 miles distant, receive their papers in thirty-three days and that there are but thirty-seven days and 13,246 miles between the Celebes, Netherlands East Indies and us. Little Popo, Togoland, West Africa, is thirty-seven days and 8,185 miles distant and the palm for remoteness is given to Perth, West Australia, whose good citizens are separated from us by 14,415 miles and forty-four days.

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WASHINGTON, Nov. 13. Torin Mikuriya, secretary of the department of communications of Japan, has arrived in Washington to study the postal, telegraph and telephone service of United States.

In company with S. Oshima, architect of the Japanese department of communications, he called upon Postmaster General Work and spent the day in making an inspection of the Post-office Department.

Secretary Mikuriya and Architect Oshima, after going through the Post-office Department, plan a detailed examination of the post-office at Washington, giving particular attention to the methods used in the receipt and dispatch of mail. Later they will inspect the New York city post-office, where more mail is handled than any other place in the world.—Newspaper.

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PICTURESQUE TANGANYIKA.

By CHAS. G. WILSON.

The picturesque new stamps of the new Tanganyika Territory, Britain's East African mandate, recall to mind a gallant and romantic episode of the Great War. Tanganyika Territory was formally known as German East Africa. In 1915 an expedition of 28 officers and men all told was sent from England to cross Equatorial Africa, taking with them two 40-foot motor boats to assist the Belgian forces on Lake Tanganyika drive the Germanss from the Lake. The expedition, was commanded by Commander Spicer Simson, R. N., and guided by J. R. Lee, set out from Elizabethville, Belgian Congo, with their boats, which had arrived at Elizabethville after a journey of 2,488 miles from England via Cape Town. When the "end of steel" was reached the boats were hauled by an army of blacks and with tractors for six weeks through jungle and bush. At times a road had literally to be cut through the trees so dense was the growth.

During this period of six weeks in the bush 146 miles were covered. Then the boats were floated 350 miles down the Lualaba River to Kabalo, a trip fraught with much delay and hardship. Remained then a journey by rail of 200 miles to Lake Tanganyika. Upon arrival at the Lake the boats were based on Albertville and here guns were mounted on them and they were made ready to drive the Germans from the Lake. They were to destroy the German fleet of small boats so that a British and Colonial force could advance from either end of the Lake along the German coast, join forces at the German base of Kigoma and drive them from the surface and littoral of Tanganyika and then out of Africa.

The day after Christmas, 1915, an enemy vessel was sighted and the British flotilla put out and gave chase. After an engagement of 10 minutes the German gunboat struck her colors having been struck 25 times by high explosive shell. She sank in the harbor at Albertville. The victors raised her, reconditioned her and on the 9th of February, 1916, she accompained the two British boats as an ally in their second engagement when they sank with shell-fire another German boat after a sharp fight.

The remaining Germans saw that their day on Lake Tanganyika was at an end and they scuttled some few small boats and one larger one that were still left to them and withdrew their military forces from the Lake.

Victory had come to the British Naval African Expedition and after some months of watchful waiting they returned to England without having lost a single life in their gallant enterprise.

MR. HIND'S BRITISH GUIANA.

By W. WARD.

Philately owes a debt to Mr. Philip H. Ward, junr., for making us acquainted with Mr. Arthur Hind, who secured the world's greatest rarity, the 1c British Guiana—for there is no doubting that it is the rarest philatelic piece in the world.

Most have heard of some of the British Guiana rarities being found by an old lady and sold on behalf of a church there, but few know the history of this stamp prior to its coming into M. Ferrary's possession. Mr. Ward mentions that it bears a rubber stamp on the back, undecipherable. This was the mark of Mr. Thomas Ridpath, one of the English dealers of long ago, in whose hands it was prior to being sold to M. Ferrary.

Mr. Ridpath was a Liverpool stamp dealer, circa 1877-1900. As a youth he began his business career in the office of our oldest firm of stamp dealers—Young & Stockall, also in the same town, long since passed into history. With that luck that comes once in a lifetime, and generally too late to be of consequence, in Mr. Ridpath's case it came at the right moment. He had only been in business on his own account for some fifteen or sixteen months when he had a rare find of old British Guianas from a shipping office. There were dozens of the circular first issue of 1850, including no less than three copies of the 2c on rose, and of course the 1c that Mr. Hind now has. This was by no means the only great find that Mr. Ridpath had, though of course it was the most important one.

He was more or less an itinerant dealer and travelled extensively in Europe. Sydney views and 12d Canada were to him what stamps are to most of us. Established at 71 Lord Street, Liverpool, the address of one of our oldest and most honoured stamp firms, Messrs. Taylor Brothers, Mr. Ridpath continued in business until his death in November, 1900. Some day, no doubt, on one of my trips to the seaport, I may get Mr. W. C. Taylor of the firm mentioned to give me an account of some of the past acquaintances he had with Mr. Ridpath, for the continuance of association from the days of our first great stamp firm, who supplied young men like Stanley Gibbons, E. L. Pemberton, &c., Messrs. Young and Stockall, is unbroken through Mr. Ridpath to Messrs. Taylor Bros.

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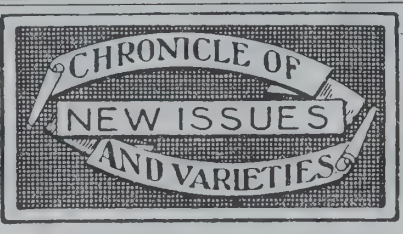

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—The 15c, 25c and 50c of the new series of United States postage stamps were placed on sale in Washington on Armistice Day, Saturday, November 11, and being in that city at the time I had the pleasure of purchasing some of the first sold. To see the line waiting to purchase them one would think that a goodly portion of the population of the Capital City were philatelists. The three denominations placed on sale were the first of the pictorial series to appear, in fact they are the first of the general issues ever turned out by this government depicting natural wonders and scenery. The stamps are most attractive, the 25c variety being especially pleasing. They are all of the regular size, the 15c being upright, while the 25c and 50c have the long dimension horizontal. They are printed in sheets of four hundred subjects and these in turn are cut into post-office panes of one hundred. As usual they are perforated 11 and printed on unwatermarked paper.

The 15c in gray shows the well known Statue of Liberty with a view of New York harbor in the background, partly enclosed in a spread horseshoe panel supported at the base by scrolls. Within the panel and above the design appear "United States Postage" in white Roman letters. Below the design within a white ribbon "Liberty", while horizontally across the bottom of the stamp the word "Cents" appears flanked by the figures "15" in goodly size. We find scrolls to complete the design in the upper corners.

The 25c, the first of this denomination that we have ever had in a regular series, is in a dark green and shows an excellent view of Niagara Falls taken from Goat Island looking towards the American shore. The engraving is extremely fine and there is a question as to whether the fine lines of the water are going to hold up after the plate has been used for a while.

The 50c is in a lilac, similar to the current series and shows a view of the Arlington Amphitheatre with the tomb of the unknown soldier in the foreground. The Bureau sent its own photographer to Arlington to take photographs. One having visited the tomb will realize that its location in relation to the Amphitheater is not as shown on the stamp. Had a view of the tomb as large as shown on the stamp been pictured in its true position, nothing but pillars would appear in the background.

Supplies of these stamps will not be sent out to post-offices in the case of the 15c and 50c until the old supplies are exhausted and in the case of the 25c, postmasters are instructed to refrain from drawing requisitions as the supply at present is limited. The first sheet of each denomination printed was signed by "L. B. Hill, Director" and "W. Irving Glover, Acting P. M. G." The first sheet in the case of the 15c was number 14073, of the 25c number 14063, while the 50c was from plate 14044.

The new 6c in orange, showing a portrait of Garfield, will be placed on sale in Washington and at Orange, Ohio, the birthplace of President Garfield, on November 19th, the 91st anniversary of his birth. The 2c in red, with a portrait of Washington after Houdon similar to the current series, along with the 4c brown with Martha Washington will next appear followed by the 1c Benjamin Franklin, which I am promised will be placed on sale in Philadelphia on the first day.

The die for the 6c was approved by Mr. Glover as Acting Postmaster General on November 10th. After a die has been approved, the former die is placed in the vaults and is not used again for plates. This means that the last plates of the current 5c, 6c, 11c, 15c and 50c have been made. Mr. Eidsness, Chief of the Stamp Division, tells me that it may be February before the last denomination, possibly the $5, will appear. All plates of the old designs will be used until worn out, and it is not the intention of the department to cancel any of them because of the new series.

I have again questioned the department regarding the sale of postage due stamps through the Philatelic Stamp Agent and am informed that they are in hopes of doing this, but have struck a snag in the form of an Act of Congress that has bearing on the subject. The matter has been referred to the solicitor of the department for his opinion. The Stamp Division is doing everything consistent with the ethical management of the subject to favor the collector. The stamp agency has proven a wonderful success, they are being given a much larger location with more employes and in another year things will be running in such shape that we will be wondering how they ever got along without a stamp agent.

Mr. P. J. Krantz kindly sends for inspection a copy of a black 3c Chicago permit, No. 2373 overprint in red with a large "2". This is a printed permit and is not the product of a metered mail machine.

We wish to thank Messrs. J. H. Houston, Robt. F. Molitor and Stephen G. Rich for notes of interest.

AUSTRALIA.—*The Australian Philatelic Record* advises that some of the 2d reds are now coming along in a shade of pure vermilion which is quite distinctive. The 6d postage due has appeared on Kangaroo paper perf. 14.

BAHAMAS.—Mr. R. Roberts informs us of the appearance of the 2½d blue, 6d bistre, of the King George type and the 2sh Staircase design, on script watermarked paper.

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"All were labeled 'Correos De Bolivia'. I asked the price of the stamps, which was reasonable, and bought them. They are the only ones of the issue that I have seen, and I have been looking to see them illustrated in the stamp magazines. Scott's latest Catalogue does not mention them. They are very handsome stamps, about the size and shape of our Pilgrim Tercentenary issue, but much more striking in appearance. Has anyone else run across them?"

DANZIG.—Mr. J. L. Riedel submits for chronicle a copy of a new 100 mark stamp of a new design and of somewhat larger size than formerly. The stamp is printed on a yellow network printed paper and is of green with a red border around the outside and with a shield of the same color in the centre showing two crosses with the crown above. The usual native lions are at each side with the numbers of value at the top and "Mark" at each side. Below the shield is "Freie Stadt" and at the base "Danzig." The stamp is serrate rouletted 13½.

FRANCE.—According to the Paris correspondent of the *Daily Chronicle* (Oct. 23rd, 1922), the effigy of Professor Pasteur affixed on a blue 50 centime postage stamp has been approved of by the Cabinet, and will come into use at the coming Pasteur centenary, when a series of fêtes is to be held throughout France to commemorate the discoveries of the great French scientist.

We rather suspect that if philately is to be Pasteurized in this way there will be strong protests. Possibly, however, the projected label is not a postage stamp at all, but merely one of the *quasi etiquettes* to which our French friends appear to be growing more and more partial.—*Stamp Collecting.*

GERMANY.—Mr. J. L. Riedel has shown us a 6m blue and 30m brown in the type of Scott's A30. Also a 100m brown on buff in the type of A31.

KENYA.—Mr. R. Roberts advises of the following values of the new set of stamps that have recently been placed on sale: 1c brown, 5c purple, 10c green, 12c black, 15c red, 20c orange yellow, 30c blue, 50c grey, 75c olive bistre, 1sh green, 2sh lilac, 3sh grey black, 5sh carmine, 10sh blue, 1 pound orange and black, 5 pounds blue and black, 10 pounds blue green and black, 25 pounds carmine and black. All of the pence values show a profile view of the King with "Kenya and Uganda" at the base and figure of value above at each side. The higher denominations have the values in each corner with the same picture in the centre and the words of value around the oval that makes the frame of the portrait. The name of the country is at the base.

LITHUANIA. — Many readers have doubtless been perplexed by the recent plethora of "aerial mail" stamps. It seems that the 1, 3, and 5 auk. triangulars have never been officially used for air-post purposes. They were prepared last year with the idea of commemorating the inauguration of the flying post in Lithuania, the inscription "Oro Pasto Isteigimas," meaning "Opening of the Air-post Service," to which was added the date 25th June, 1921. As will be remembered, the word "Isteigimas" has been obliterated by the overprint "ZENKLAS," which is Lithuanian for stamp, and the adhesives thus marked are available for ordinary postal purposes.—*Stamp Collecting.*

POLAND.—Our Special Correspondent, Mr. H. Berowicz, informs us that the Sower design of 1921 is appearing in reduced format measuring 25x21 mm. The impression is more solid and the paper whiter, while the perforation gauges exactly 12½. The first value to appear in this type is the 20mk, copies of which, on both thin and thick paper, our correspondent submits: 20mk carmine.

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ROUMANIA. — Our Roumanian Special Correspondent, Mr. Aurelian Ovessa, notifies issue of the Coronation series, comprising seven values (5, 25, 50 bani and 1, 2, 3 and 5 lei) in four types representing, respectively, King Ferdinand of Greater Roumania in field service dress, the King and Prince Michael, the Queen visiting a hospital, and Her Majesty in Coronation robes.

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1912, 2½ pence ultramarine, No. 120 ... .15
1916, 2½ pence ultramarine, No. 131 ... .09

BERMUDA
1865, 1 penny dull rose, No. 1 ..... .30
* 6 pence lilac, No. 3a ..... .35
*1880, ½ penny brown, No. 15 ..... .15
*1884, 2 pence blue, No. 18 ..... .75
1908-10, 2½ pence ultramarine, No. 38.. .35

BRITISH EAST AFRICA
1890-91, 2½ annas yellow, No. 17 ..... .30
* 5 rupees gray green, No. 28 ..... .85
*1894, 5 and 7½ annas, Nos. 36, 37 ..... .25

BRITISH GUIANA
1866, 1 cent black, No. 50 ..... .65
24 cent green, No. 68 ..... 1.00
*1890, 1 cent on $3 grn. & blk., No. 145 .15
1898, 2 cent blue & brown, No. 148 .... .18
1905-07, 48-72c, pen canc., Nos. 167-9 .. .70
*1913-15, 12c orange & violet, No. 183 .. .20
* 60 cent, shade, No. 186 ..... .75

BRITISH HONDURAS
1884-87, 4 pence violet, No. 15 ..... .50
1891, 2 to 6 cent, Nos. 38-40 ..... .45
1895-98, 5 cent ultramarine, No. 45 .... .25
1902-04, 5 cent gray black, No. 60 .... .18
* 20 cent dull violet, No. 61 ..... .85
1904-06, 1 to 5 cent, Nos. 62-4 ..... .50
1909, 5 cent ultramarine, No. 73 ..... .18

BRUNEI
*1906, 4 on 12c yellow & black, No. 5 .30
*1907, 5c ultramarine & black, No. 17 1.00
* 30 cent black & purple, No. 21 ..... .60
*1908-12, 5 and 8 cent, Nos. 28, 29 ..... .35

CANADA
1868, 3 cent red, No. 24 ..... .25
*1882-90, 6 cent red brown, No. 44 ..... .60
*1897, 5 cent deep blue, No. 54 ..... .25
* 8 cent dark violet, No. 56 ..... .35
* 10 cent brown violet, No. 57 ..... .50
1902, 7 cent olive yellow, No. 88 ..... .10

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE
1879, 3 on 4 pence blue, No. 27 ..... .75
1880, 3 on 4 pence lilac rose, No. 28 ... .45
1881, 3 pence claret, No. 32 ..... .40
1893-96, 5 shillings brn, orange, No. 56 .55

CAYMAN ISLANDS
*1902, 1 penny carmine rose, No. 4 ..... .28
*1905 2½ pence ultramarine, No. 10 ... .45
* 6 pence chocolate, No. 11 ..... 1.15
1 shilling brown orange, No. 12 ... 1.75
*1907-09, 1 penny carmine rose, No. 22 .20
* 2½ pence ultramarine, No. 23 ..... .30
* 3 pence violet yellow, No. 24 ..... .40
*1908, 1 shilling green, No. 29 ..... 1.50
*1916, 1 shilling green, No. 49 ..... .35

CEYLON
1863-67, 1p blue, No. 46, reasonable copies .50
1885, 5 on 64 cent red brown, No. 96 .. .50
*1888-90, 2 on 4 cent rose, No. 136 ..... .35
* 2 on 4 cent rose, No. 138 ..... .35
*1892, 3 on 4 cent rose, No. 146 ..... .50
1912, 2 to 50 cent, Nos. 200-210 ..... .35
1 rupee violet, yellow, No. 212 .... .22
5 rupees green, pen canc., No. 214 .. .35

CYPRUS
*1882-4, 30 para violet, No. 20 ..... .20
1 piastre rose, No. 21 ..... .18
1904, 9 piastres brown & rose, No. 54 .60
*1912-14, 4pia green & violet, No. 66 .. .20

DOMINICA
1877-9, 1 penny violet, No. 5 ..... .50
*1883-90, ½ penny bistre, No. 16 ..... .75
*1908-10, 6 pence violet, No. 51 ..... .20
*1921, ½ to 6 pence, Nos. 59-65 ..... .45
*1918-19, ½ to 3 pence "War", Nos. 153-5 .30

EAST AFRICA & UGANDA
1903, 2½ annas ultramarine, No. 4 ..... .85
1904-07, 2 annas violet, No. 19 ..... .30
2½ annas ultramarine, No. 20 ..... .45
4 annas black & green, No. 22 .... .45
1907-08, 15 cent ultramarine, No. 36 .. .25
1912, 1 to 15 cent, Nos. 40-45 ..... .25
75 cent emerald, No. 48 ..... .45

EGYPT
1867, 1 piastre rose red, No. 13 ..... .15
1872, 20pa gray blue, No. 20 ..... .25
1879-82, 10 paras violet, lilac rose, gray, Nos. 30-32 ..... .48
*1921, 50 milliemes maroon, No. 68 ..... .35
*1884, 5 piastres red, No. 105 ..... .90
*1921, 4 milliemes vermilion, No. 121 .. .35
* 10 milliemes deep blue, No. 122 .... 2.50
*1922, 5 milliemes pink, No. 226 ..... .05

FALKLAND IS.
1891, 1 penny orange brown, No. 10 .. .65
*1904-05, 2½ pence ultramarine, No. 25.. .70
*1921, ½, 2½, 1sh script, Nos. 41-46 ..... .45

FIJI IS.
1878-83, 6 pence bright rose, No. 44 .. .30
1 shilling yellow brown, No. 45 ... .30
1891, 2½ pence red brown, No. 49 ..... .15
4 pence bright violet, No. 50 ..... .25
1893, 2 pence green, No. 56 ..... .15
*1912-16, 1 shilling emerald, No. 88 .... .30

GAMBIA
*1880, ½ penny orange ..... .40
*1886-7, 4 pence brown, No. 17 ..... .40
* 6 pence green, No. 18 ..... .65
*1912, 1 shilling emerald, No. 81 ..... .30

GERMAN EAST AFRICA
*1916, ½ penny green, No. 201 ..... .50
* 1 penny carmine, No. 202 ..... .20
* 3 pence violet, yellow, No. 203 ..... 2.75
* 4 pence scarlet & black, No. 204 ... 3.25
*1917 25 cent, new shade, No. 217 ..... .15

GIBRALTAR
*1889, 25 cent on 2p, No. 17 ..... .45
1903, 2½ pence violet & black, No. 40 .. .20
*1904-08, 6 pence violet & purple, No. 52 .60
*1912, 6 pence dull violet, No. 70 ..... .16
*1903-05, 25 cent violet & black, No. 222 .20

GOLD COAST
1884-91, 4 pence red violet, No. 17 .... .20
1 shilling purple, No. 19 ..... .25
*1904-07, 3 pence violet & orange, No. 53 .50
1913-16, 1 penny to 1sh, Nos. 70-75 .... .35
* 1 shilling emerald, No. 75 ..... .30
2sh violet & blue, No. 76 ..... .30
2sh 6 pence black & red, No. 77 .... .35
5 shillings green & red, No. 78 .... .85
10 shillings green & red, No. 79 ... 1.60

GREAT BRITAIN
1840, 1 penny black, creased copies or with slight defect, No. 2 ..... .65
1883, 2sh 6 pence lilac, No. 96 ..... .25
1883-4, 5sh carmine rose, No. 108 .... .40
1901-02, 2sh 6 pence violet, No. 139 ... .20
5sh carmine rose, No. 140 ..... .30
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*1916, China Offices, Nos. 1-8 ..... .60
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* 1 dollar blue & violet, No. 12 ..... .90
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*1913-21 Levant, ½d to 1sh, Nos. 85-95 .. .85
* 2sh 6 pence brown, No. 96 ..... .75
*1921, 30pa/½d-18¾pia/1sh, Nos. 99-105 .65

GRENADA
1863-71, 1 penny green, No. 3 ..... .75
1883, 4 pence slate, No. 23 ..... .30
*1895-99, 2 pence lilac & brown, No. 41 1.75
1906-11, 2½ pence ultramarine, No. 71.. .40
* 6 pence violet, No. 73 ..... 1.75
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1863-67, 2 cent brown, No. 8 ..... .18
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1871-76, 30 cent violet, No. 19 ..... .30
1880, 10 cent violet, No. 32 ..... .40
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*1873-76, 9 pies lilac, No. 32 ..... .40
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1909, 5 rupees Official, No. 261 ..... .40
1912-13, 5 rupees Official, No. 278 ..... .35

JAMAICA
*1885-90, 6 pence orange yellow, No. 23 .40
2sh violet, blue, No. 57 ..... .50
*1911, 2 pence gray, No. 58 ..... .18
1906-10, 4 pence black, yellow, No. 54.. 1.90
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KENYA
1921-22, 1, 4, 5, 6, 10 cent values ..... .60

LABUAN
1896, 50 cent claret, No. 64 ..... .20
1897, 18 cent bistre & black, No. 81 .. .08

LEEWARD ISLANDS
*1902, 1 on 7 pence lilac & slate, No. 19 .40
*1905-08, 2 pence violet & bistre, No. 31 .60
*1907-11, 2 pence gray, No. 39 ..... .45
* 3 pence violet, yellow, No. 41 ..... .25
* 6 pence violet, No. 42 ..... .90
* 1 shilling green, No. 43 ..... .90
*1912-14, 5 shillings, shade, No. 55 .... 1.50
*1921-22, 5 pence script, No. 68 ..... .14
* 2 to 4sh script, Nos. 71-73 ..... 2.70

MALTA
*1863-74, ½ penny yellow buff, No. 3 .. 1.00
*1881, ½ penny yellow buff, No. 7 ..... .25
1885, 1 shilling violet, No. 13 ..... .30
*1903-04, 3 pence violet & gray, No. 25.. .15
*1907-11, 4 pence scarlet & black, No. 44 .18
* 4½ and 5 pence, Nos. 45, 46 ..... .40

MAURITIUS
*1876-77, ½ on 10 pence, No. 46 ..... .40
*1878, 2 cent claret, No. 50 ..... .60
1883, 16 on 17 cent rose, No. 73 ..... .25
1895-7, 18 cent green & ultr., No. 94 .. .18
*1898, 36 cent orange & ultr., No. 95 ... .75
*1899, 15 cent ultr., No. 98 ..... .18
*1899-1900, 15c green & orange, No. 103 .60
*1921-22, 12 cent gray, No. 165 ..... .30

MESOPOTAMIA
*1921, ½ to 8a Official, Nos. 216-23 ..... .40

MONTSERRAT
*1904, 1 penny carmine & black, No. 23 .60
*1908-10, 2½ pence ultr., No. 34 ..... .25

NATAL
*1902-03, 5 pence orange & black, No. 88 .40

NAURU
*1920, 2sh 6 pence, No. 14 ..... .75

NEW BRUNSWICK
*1860, 1 cent red lilac, No. 6 ..... .30
* 10 cent vermilion, No. 8 ..... .35
* 17 cent black, No. 10 ..... .50
* 2 cent orange, No. 12 ..... .10

NEWFOUNDLAND
*1862-3, 4 pence rose, No. 18 ..... .65
* 6 pence rose, No. 20 ..... .40
* 1 shilling rose, No. 23 ..... .75
*1868-75, 6 cent dull rose, No. 34 ..... .25
1876-79, 3 cent blue, No. 37 ..... .50
5 cent blue, No. 38 ..... .40
*1880, 1 cent violet brown, No. 39 ..... .25
* 1 cent gray brown, No. 40 ..... .60
* 2 cent yellow green, No. 41 ..... 1.00
3 cent blue, No. 42 ..... .15
*1887, ½ to 2 cent, Nos. 44-46 ..... .15
3 cent umber brown, No. 47 ..... .40
5 cent dark blue, No. 48 ..... .50
*1890-94, 3 cent gray lilac, No. 52 ..... .30
5 cent bright blue, No. 52e ..... .25
*1896, ½ cent orange red, No. 55 ..... .30
* 1 cent green, No. 57 ..... .40
* 2 cent green, No. 58 ..... .30
1897, 1 to 10 cent, Nos. 61-68 ..... 1.00
* 12 cent dark blue, No. 69 ..... .25
* 15 cent scarlet, No. 70 ..... .30
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* 30 cent slate, No. 72 ..... .60
* 35 cent red, No. 73, scarce ..... .65
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1911, 6 cent brown violet, No. 98 ..... .70
*1911, Royal Family compl., Nos. 104-14 4.50
*1918, 8 cent magenta, No. 121 ..... .55
* 15 cent dark blue, No. 124 ..... .30
1921, Halifax Air Mail on Original .. 1.50

NEW HEBRIDES
*1908-09, 5 pence violet & green, No. 4 .35
* ½ penny gray green, No. 7 ..... .20
* 1 penny carmine, No. 8 ..... .20
*1910, 5 pence violet & green, No. 14 .. .25
* 6 pence violet, No. 15 ..... .30

NEW ZEALAND
1907-08, 3 and 6 pence, Nos. 126-127 .. .30
*1921-22, 8 pence blue, No. 171 ..... .60
* 8 pence red brown, No. 172 ..... .30
1915-20, 1sh Official, No. 554 ..... .16

NIGER COAST PROTECTORATE
1893, 1 penny light blue, No. 9 ..... .75
1894, 2 pence carmine lake, No. 45 .... .30

NIGERIA
*1914-15, 1 shilling, shade, No. 8 ..... .30

NORTH BORNEO
*1883, 2 cent brown, No. 1 ..... .45
*1887-90, ½ to 10 cent, Nos. 35-42, 55 ... .75
*1893, 12 cent ultr. & black, No. 65 ... .50
* 24 cent claret & blue, No. 67 ..... .50
25 cent to 1 dollar, Nos. 68-70 ..... .45
1903-11, 2 to 24 cent, Nos. 321-31 ..... .50

NORTHERN NIGERIA
*1910-11, 1 shilling green, No. 35 ..... .70
*1912, 9 pence violet & scarlet, No. 47 .. .40
* 1 shilling green, No. 48 ..... .60

ORANGE RIVER COLONY
1868, 6 pence carmine rose, No. 2 .... .15
1878, 4 pence ultramarine, No. 9 ..... .45
1883-4, 3 pence ultramarine, No. 24 ... .45
1907-08, 4 pence & 1 shilling, Nos. 72-3 .60

PALESTINE
1918, 1 piastre ultramarine, No. 1a ... .25
*1920, 1m to 20 piastres, Nos. 15-25 ... 3.00
* 2 to 20 piastres, Nos. 32-36 ..... 5.00
*1921, 1 to 20 piastres, Nos. 42-47 ..... 2.75

RHODESIA
1896, 1, 2, 4 pence, Nos. 27, 28, 30 .... .16
1 shilling green & ultr., No. 33 .... .30
10 shilling—rev. canc., No. 39 ..... .45
*1905, 1 and 2½ pence, Nos. 72-3 ..... .22
1910, 6 pence claret & brown, No. 108 .25
*1917, 2 surcharges ½ on 1p, Nos. 138-9 .75

ST. HELENA
*1884-94, ½ penny green, No. 34 ..... .08
*1902, ½ and 1 penny, Nos. 48-49 ..... .35
*1903, ½ and 1 penny, Nos. 50-51 ..... .18
* 8 pence brown & black, No. 53 .... .65
1908, 2½ to 6 pence, Nos. 56-58 ..... .75
*1912, 4 pence black & red, No. 71 ..... 1.60
* 6 pence dull violet, No. 72 ..... .60
*1916, 2 vars. War Tax, Nos. 201, 202 .. .22

ST. KITTS-NEVIS
*1903, 2½ pence ultr. & black, No. 4 ... 1.00
*1905-06, ½ penny green & violet, No. 11 1.5
* 2½ pence ultr. & black, No. 14 ..... 1.0

ST. LUCIA
1907-11, 6 pence violet, No. 61 ..... 1.0
1 shilling green, No. 62 ..... 1.5
*1916, 1 penny "War Tax", No. 201 ... 1.0

ST. VINCENT
1883-88, 1 penny rose red, No. 42 5
1885-91, 2½ on 1 penny blue, No. 52 5
1sh orange vermilion, No. 55 5
1892-3, 5 on 6 pence deep lake, No. 57 .5
1898, 2½ pence lilac & ultr., No. 64 5
*1907, 2½ pence ultramarine, No. 93 5
* 3 pence dark violet, No. 94 5

SAMOA
*1914, 2 pence mauve, No. 116 5

SARAWAK
*1875, 2 cent gray lilac, No. 3 5
* 12 cent red, rose, No. 7 5
1899, 2 on 12 cent, used blocks, No. 34 .5
*1902, 2 cent gray green, No. 48 ..... 1.0

SEYCHELLES
*1890, 10 cent ultr. & brown, No. 4 5
* 13 cent slate & black, No. 5 5
* 16 cent brown & ultr., No. 6 5
*1893, 12 on 16 cent, No. 10 5
* 15 on 16 cent, No. 11 5
*1901, 3 on 10, 16, 36 cent, Nos. 29-31 .. .5
*1903, 3 on 15 cent ultr., No. 49 5
3 on 18 cent green & rose, No. 50 .. 1.0
*1912, 18 cent green & rose, No. 68 5

SIERRA LEONE
*1903, 4 pence violet & carmine, No. 70 1.0
* 6 pence violet, No. 72 ..... 1.0
*1904-5, 4 pence violet & carm., No. 83 .5
* 5 pence violet & black, No. 84 5
*1907-11, 4 pence black & red, No. 96 .. .5

SOMALILAND PROT.
*1921, 2 rupees violet, No. 74 5
3 rupees black & green, No. 75 ... 1.0

SOUTHERN NIGERIA
*1904-07, 2 pence brown & black, No. 23 .5
2½ pence ultr. & black, No. 24 5
6 pence violet & black, No. 26 5
1907-10, 3 pence violet, yellow, No. 36 .5
6 pence violet, No. 38 5
1 shilling green, No. 39 5
2sh 6 pence, No. 40 5
1912-13, 2½ pence ultr., No. 48 5
* 1 shilling green, No. 52 5

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS
1892, 50 cent green & carmine, No. 79 .5
*1899, 4 on 5 cent ultr., No. 87 5
4 on 5 cent rose, used blocks 4 5
*1902, 30 cent black & rose, No. 100 5
* 50 cent green & rose, No. 101 ..... 1.0
*1908-11, 50 cent green, No. 141 5
*1894, Johore, 3 on 5 cent, No. 27 5
*1896, Johore, 6 cent, No. 35 5
*1921, Kedah, 2 and 3 dollar, Nos. 41-2 3.5
1911, Kelantan, 20 and 30c, Nos. 7, 8.. .5
1915, Kelantan, $1 grn. & brn., No. 21 .5
*1921, Trengganu, $3 red & grn., No. 36 2.5

SUDAN
1897, 1pia ultramarine, No. 5 5
1898, 1m to 10pia, Nos. 9-16 5
1907-11, 10pia purple & black, No. 30.. .5
*1902-06, 10pia purple & black, No. 202 1.0
1903-12, 1m to 5pia, Nos. 204-210 5

TANGANYIKA
*1921, 5 rupees violet & ultr., No. 7 .... 3.5
*1922, 5 shilling, New type 1.5

TONGA
*1886, 2 pence violet, No. 2 5
6 pence ultramarine, No. 3 5
1 shilling blue green, No. 4 5
*1891, 4 on 1 penny rose, No. 6 5
*1895, 1 penny gray green, No. 29 5
* 5 pence bright blue, No. 31 5
*1897, 2sh ultr. & black, No. 49 5

TRANSVAAL
*1896, 2sh 6 pence, No. 174 5
*1900, ½p to 2sh 6 pence, Nos. 202-210 .. 1.5
*1901-02, ½p to 2sh 6 pence, Nos. 246-251 1.5
1904-09, 5sh violet & black, No. 277 .. .5
10sh violet & black, red, No. 278 .. .5
£1 violet & green, No. 279 5

TRINIDAD
1883-4, 1 shilling orange brown, No. 72 .5
*1909, 1 shilling green, No. 104 5

TRINIDAD & TOBAGO
*1913, 1 shilling, shade, No. 7 5
*1914, 4 pence violet & black, No. 8 5
*1917, ½ penny green "Official", No. 105 .5

TURKS & CAICOS IS.
*1900, 2 pence black brown, No. 3 5
* 2½ pence blue, No. 4 5
* 4 pence orange, No. 5 5
* 6 pence violet, No. 6 5
* 1 shilling purple brown, No. 7 5
*1905-08, ½ penny green, No. 10 5
1909, 2½ pence ultr., No. 16 5
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6 pence violet, No. 19 5

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They are filed with the stamps of the country to which the article refers. That is, to my collection of blocks, cancella- tions, etc., of the country. In my main collection I have only one each of each kind, but many other things interest me to keep.

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The clippings for each country are also slipped in here and accessible. After accumulating a large lot of sheets, a number of books in this way, I have seen or heard of nothing so practical and so inexpensive.

Time spent studying the articles and comparing with specimens in hand, or even the catalog pages, is well spent, and your stamps mean much more as you learn to really know them. The above has proven helpful to me and for simplicity and an inexpensive mount I commend it.

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1919, *5c, No. 306 ..... .10
1919, 5c, No. 307 ..... .15
1920, 3c, No. 310 ..... .01
1920, 5c, No. 311 ..... .01
1920, 15c, No. 313 ..... .02
1920, 25c, No. 314 ..... .02
1914, *5c, No. 515 ..... .12
1914, *10c, No. 516 20
1914, *2c, No. 518 ..... .15
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1911, *4d, No. 59 ..... .30
1912, *1d, No. 61 ..... .03
1912, *6d, No. 67 ..... .20
1912, *3d, No. 71 ..... .15
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JUGO-SLAV MONEY.

CHICAGO, Oct. 26.—Your chart of European moneys in today's issue of The Tribune, with classifications as good, fair, poor and almost worthless, does great injustice to the Jugo-Slavic through having placed it in the "almost worthless" class.

This might have occurred through perverseness of American papers in quoting krone as Jugo-Slav currency.

Jugo-Slavia is a creation of the former Serbia and Montenegro and the Jugo-Slav provinces of the former Austria-Hungary. After the union was effected the Serbian dinar was adopted as the monetary unit for the new state. Throughout the liberated provinces the Austrian krone was exchanged at the rate of four for one dinar. Krone therefore, does not exist in Jugo-Slavia. It is only an imaginary currency representing in value one-fourth of the existing legal unit, the dinar.

Thus when you quoted on your financial page of the same date: Jugo-Slavia $0.43, that in reality meant: 100 Jugo-Slav units [dinars] $1.72.

How this unit compares [today and a year ago] with the units of those countries having the same par value [19.3 cents] and which your chart classes as "almost worthless" let this little table bear witness:

	Oct. 25.	Yr. ago.
Austria	$0.0014	$0.05
Poland	0.0081	0.03
Germany	0.02¾	0.62
Hungary	0.04⅛	0.13
Roumania	0.65	0.74
Jugo-Slavia	1.72	1.42

This comparison shows not only great difference in value between Jugo-Slav and other money, classed as "almost worthless," but it shows also that while all other moneys declined during the past year the Jugo-Slav advanced considerably.

I. F. LUPIS, Editor *Croatian Herald.*
—Chicago *Tribune.*

CANCELLATION OF STAMPS ON PARCEL POST PACKAGES.

It has been brought to the attention of the department that in many instances clerks are not properly canceling stamps on parcel-post packages and other mail matter.

Postmasters are requested to see that stamps on parcel-post packages, as well as on all other matter, are properly and carefully canceled. Special care should be used in canceling the dark-blue 5-cent stamp, since unless the cancellation stamp is applied with sufficient pressure to leave a clear cancellation mark on the dark-blue background the cancellation does not show and the stamp is susceptible of re-use.

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Third Assistant Postmaster General.

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BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS, 1899.

By HARRY E. HUBER.

On October 31st, 1890, the use of special stamps by the different Presidencies of the Leeward Islands Federation ceased, and one common series took their place, inscribed "Leeward Islands." Like many other Colonies, the British Virgins derive a large percentage of their revenue from Post Office receipts, and when outside sale was curtailed, the revenue from the Post Office was reduced to practically local sales for purely postal purposes, i.e., between £5 and £10 a month. As a means to increase the revenue the issue of special stamps for use in the British Virgins, concurrently with those of the Federal series, was advised by the Federal Executive Council of the Leeward Islands, in 1898. No formal Order in Council was ever made.

The stamps were designed, engraved and printed by De La Rue & Co., Ltd., from copper plates, in sheets of 120 stamps, 2 panes of 60, on paper watermarked Crown CA, and comb perforated 14. They were issued at Roadtown, Tortola, then the only Post Office in the Presidency, in January 1899.

The design measures 18½ x 22½mm, and is identical for all eight values. Within a trefoil arched opening is the full length figure of a haloed Virgin, with an armful of lilies. Conventional leaf and fanlike ornamentation occupies the space at the sides, and small labels at the foot are inscribed "Postage" and "Revenue," in colorless letters. A horizontal label at the top is lettered "Virgin Islands" in colored Gothic caps, and on a similar label at the foot, is the value in words (the 2½d is expressed as 2½ penny).

Some have claimed that the figure of the Virgin is taken from the seal of the Presidency, but this is correctly shown on the 1d and 6d stamps of the 1866 series. On the seal of the Leeward Islands Colony (which contains the shields of the six Presidencies forming the Federation), it appears as a Virgin, robed, facing the left, with six lamps on either side (one of which she holds in her right hand), arranged vertically. The female figure represents the Constellation of Virgo, the sixth sign of the Zodiac, and the twelve lamps indicate the twelve signs of the Zodiac.

Commenting on De La Rue & Co.'s apparent change of mind on surface printing versus line engraving, an English contemporary wrote:—

"Since Mr. Warren De La Rue was the spokesman of the firm of Thomas De La Rue & Co., before the Committee of the House of Commons in 1888, a change seems to have come over the views of that firm. The evidence he gave was that nothing could compare with surface printed stamps; they were perfect; and now in the latest productions of that firm, this system has been superseded by the copper plate process. We do not find fault because the firm appears to have modified its views and avails itself of another process by which results more artistic can be obtained than by surface printing, still we would like to see something better in the way of design than the recent productions. The firm was at the top of the tree in its surface printed stamps; why did it allow the designer to make such a wretched debut as is shown in the series for Virgin Islands."

The design too was the subject of much comment. One writer considered it a "caricature of the beautiful design of the earlier issues of the Virgin Islands;" another thought the stamps "rough specimens of engraving, though very neat in design," while still another saw in them a "terrible tendency on the part of a British Colony towards Roman Catholicism!"

In two values of the series defects occurred. On stamp 43 of the left pane of the ½d there is an "F" for an "E" in "Halfpenny," and on stamp 55 of the same pane, the "F" of "Halfpenny" is without the cross bar. Thus a block of six from the lower left corner of the left pane contains both errors. On the 4d there is an "F" for the final "E" of "Pence," on one stamp in the sheet; this is much rarer than the ½d errors. Stanley Gibbons (1920) list the ½d errors at 25s each, and the 4d at 150s. A cover bearing the three errors realised £7.7.0 at a London auction in 1921.

In April, 1901, postal stationery with the impressed stamps in the same design of the postage stamps (i.e. lettered "Postage—Revenue," was issued).

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3813	2c Prop., Orange	..	1.00
3814	2c U. S. Int. Rev.	..	.01
3815	3c Foreign Exch.	..	.07
3817	3c Proprietary	..	.15
3818	3c Telegraph	..	.20
3819	4c Inland Exch.	..	.08
3821	4c Proprietary	..	.15
3822	5c Agreement	..	.03
3823	5c Certificate	.15	.02
3824	5c Express	..	.07
3825	5c Foreign Exch.	..	.04
3826	5c Inland Exch.	..	.02
3827	5c Playing Cards	..	.50
3829	6c Inland Exch.	..	.15
3831	10c Bill of Lading	..	.07
3832	10c Certificate	..	.03
3833	10c Contract	..	.03
3835	10c Inland Exch.	..	.03
3836	10c Power of Atty.	..	.07
3839	15c Inland Exch.	..	.05
3841	20c Inland Exch.	.20	.03
3842	25c Bond	..	.08
3843	25c Certificate	.20	.01
3845	25c Insurance	..	.03
3847	25c Power of Atty.	.15	.03
3851	30c Inland Exch.	..	.07
3852	40c Inland Exch.	..	.07
3853	50c Conveyance	..	.03
3854	50c Entry Goods	..	.05
3855	50c Foreign Exch.	..	.35
3857	50c Life Ins.	..	.07
3858	50c Mortgage	.75	.03
3859	50c Orig. Process	.25	.02
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The envelopes, 1d brown red and 2½d ultramarine were furnished in two sizes, 120 x 94 mm and 140 x 78 mm. The 1d post card and 1d envelope, 120 x 94 mm, were still on sale in October, 1922.

When the stamps in this design were superseded by the Edwardian series in 1904, the remainders were sent to St. John's, Antigua, and offered for sale by tender.

"Colonial Secretary's Office,
22nd February, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that tenders will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office up to the 1st August, 1904, for the remainder of the present issue of Virgin Islands stamps, which will be recalled as soon as a stamp of a new issue is received from the Crown Agents.

By Command,
E. ST. JOHN BRANCH,
Colonial Secretary."

In the following year, 1905, the Crown Agents were asked to advertise these remainders, but as no remunerative offer was received, they were returned to the Virgins, and replaced on sale.

January, 1899. Presidency series, Virgin with lilies,
Postage and Revenue, line engraved.
Watermarked Crown and C.A. Perf. comb 14.
½d yellow green.
a. PFNNY.
b. "F" without cross bar.
1d red.
2½d ultramarine.
4d chocolate.
a. PENCF.
6d dark violet.
7d slate green.
1s ochre.
5s dark blue.

Postal Stationery.
April, 1901.

Post Cards.
½d green, 121 x 74 mm.
1d brown red, 139 x 89 mm.
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1d brown red, 120 x 94 mm and 140 x 78 mm.
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The plain envelopes used by Americans today attract no one. But those envelopes employed during the American Civil War, are among the most unique that any government has printed.

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Many of the states had their emblems upon the envelope, and New York State was one of the leading. Other illustrations, such as battles, "after the battle," camp scenes and historic buildings are to be observed upon them.

One of these envelopes shows General Lafayette who aided the Americans in the Revolution, a unique way to honor a hero . . . . . but America is known for the unique methods employed in paying tribute to her heroes—whether on envelope, in statue, by speech, upon coins, or with stamps. Last year the Grosvenor Library of Buffalo gave an exhibition of these envelopes. This created much interest.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—In the proceedings of the Wisconsin Historical Society at its sixty-ninth annual meeting at Madison, Wis., October 21, 1921, we read: "Gifts of many philatelic specimens were received and these for the most part again distributed among several hundreds of Madison boys and girls who are postage stamp collectors." The donations of stamps were made through the instrumentality of Professor Charles E. Brown of Wisconsin University who has made scores of stamp collectors in the last ten years Among the special exhibits noticed in the report is one of a collection of postage stamps.

—Mr. Lowell J. Ragatz has sent us from France several postal cards bearing on their reverse figures of individuals whose clothing, etc., are made out of postage stamps nicely pieced together. The French boy, for instance, is costumed in the stamps of his country and the Russian girl in the stamps of hers. We have seen cards of similar kind before but the work on those under notice is very well done. The cards were on sale at a wounded soldiers' relief fair and were the work of convalescents.

—Much to our surprise we find that the editorials in the WEEKLY are read; and we hasten to say that we are obliged to the subscribers who wrote to call attention to the slip in the "eat what we can" observation. Through a slip we misquoted the remark: "We eat what we can and what we can't, we can."

—The Houston Philatelic Society has recently been organized at Houston, Texas, with the following officers:—President, E. E. Morrison; Vice-president, Louis Lenz; Secretary-Treasurer, R. R. Schlunke. Meetings will be held at 7.30 P.M., on the second Friday of each month, in the club room of the local Y. M. C. A.

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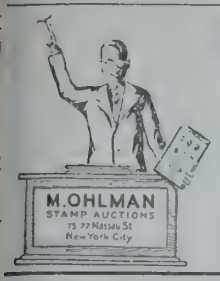

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BRITISH COLONIAL GREEN AND YELLOW PAPERS.

We are indebted to Messrs. Stanley Gibbons, Ltd., for some concise notes on the Green and Yellow papers of British Colonial stamps, which, in the next edition of their catalogue, will be grouped as follows. It must be remembered that, in dealing with these variations, the *backs* of the stamps must be studied rather than the front, for it is here that the identifying colours will be seen:—

GREEN PAPER.

(*m*) The original *green* paper, in varying shades. This is a kind of portmanteau group, which must carry anything which does not properly fall under the heads which follow. A marked yellow-green back will be noted in some countries.

(*n*) The *"white-backs."*

(*p*) A paper bluish-green on the surface with "pale" or *"olive"* back. The blue-green of the surface usually draws attention to this variety. The back is undoubtedly green, so cannot be confused with the "white-back," but it is markedly paler than the surface of the stamp and usually has a pronounced olive tinge.

(*q*) The so-called *"emerald-surfaced"* paper. Emerald is a misnomer in 99 per cent. of these stamps, but it is now generally accepted, so must pass. It is a vivid green, quite distinct from anything else, and in this class has the olive back of Group *(p)*.

(*q*) The new paper, *"emerald throughout."* As last, but with the bright colour at back and front.

Those who wish to study the various shades within these groups will find plenty to interest them, but the above grouping will be quite sufficient for the ordinary collector. When deciding whether to collect these paper varieties in unused or used specimens remember that, when on envelopes, you will not be able to see the back, and in getting them off you will probably sacrifice the identifying colour of the stamp paper. Hence unused are indicated to those who wish to study this interesting Colonial group.

YELLOW PAPER.

(*a*) The original *orange-yellow* paper, usually bright in colour. There are plenty of variations in this group, and it may be said to include everything which does not fit into the groups which follow.

(*b*) The *"white-backs,"* which are familiar to all and cannot be confused with anything else (see *Stamp Collecting*, Nos. 39 and 95.

(*c*) A *bright lemon* paper. This paper must show the greenish tinge of true lemon or the stamps belong to Group (*a*), in which a slight lemon tendency may sometimes be noted. The gum, as a rule, is plentiful, smooth and shiny, and the watermark shows distinctly, whereas in (*a*) the gum is often harsh, not too plentiful, and dull. Be careful when allotting stamps printed in green (*e.g.* 5s., &c.) on yellow paper, as this colour has its effect on the eye and may result in the allotment of an "orange-yellow" paper to the "lemon" group.

(*d*) An *orange-buff* paper, sometimes called "experimental." Here there is a distinct brownish tinge as compared with all other groups, and once seen, this paper should cause no trouble. Remember the back of the stamp is the place to look for this colour; or insufficient wiping of engraved plates printed in red on yellow paper may lead you astray.

(*e*) The new *pale yellow* paper. This paper, the one now in use for current printings of Colonial stamps, can be distinguished by the creamy appearance of the yellow. There are somewhat similar shades here and there which, by date of issue, can only belong to Group (*a*), but they should not cause much trouble.

The *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly* calls attention to the fact that the colouring matter used for this new yellow paper is completely soluble in water. Specimens immersed in cold water have in quite a short time become "white," showing no trace of the yellow. The matter has already created some concern in the Colonies, where the occurrence of stamp denominations on white paper when they should be on yellow has aroused suspicions of their genuineness.

Some of these varieties must be extremely scarce, but it is not easy to estimate their value, and the only safe rule for the collector is to get everything that is available, as many varieties are rapidly disappearing from the market. The study of these paper variations is complicated by differences due to climatic changes (such as that of the 50c Brunei, from green to blue), by the different effects of different inks (not only on the *appearance* of the colour of the paper, but sometimes on its actual colour by absorption, or, in the case of stamps printed from engraved plates, insufficient wiping of the plate), and by the absence of chalk-surfacing on the paper used for printing from line-engraved plates.—*Stamp Collecting.*

—Frank A. Goldsmith has shown us two new advertising cancellations. One used at Livingston, Mont., shows "Yellowstone National Park", and the other used at Pensacola, Fla., bears this inscription, "Mardi Gras, Pensacola, Fla., Feb. 10-12, 1923".

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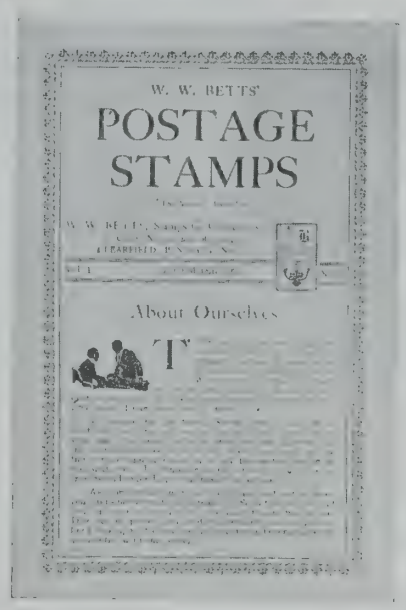

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The Antikamnia Co., and J. Ellwood Lee Co. had monogram cancellations that are more or less popular among the collectors of U. S. Revenue. Before they obtained their supply of stamps the AK Co. used two type-set labels of ⅛c and 2½c value, guaranteeing the payment of the tax when stamps could be obtained. There are ten hand-stamped cancellations of the regular issue; four on the ⅝c, five on the 2½c, and one on the 3¾c. Two different fonts of type were used on the monogram cancellations. "Block" letters and figures, and later, smaller shaded letters and figures. In Type I there are four varieties of numeral 1, and there are three positions of the hyphens. Five varieties of ⅝c, one of them being 4 3 1900 Type II inverted, the only copy known. Only two dates of ⅝c. Fourteen dates, sixty-seven varieties of 1¼c. Thirty-eight dates, two hundred and twenty-six varieties of 2½c. Twenty dates, fifty-seven varieties of 3⅜c, making a total of at least three hundred and fifty-five distinct varieties, besides many freaks and oddities.—*Precancel Gazette.*

NEW 6c POSTAGE STAMPS, 1922 ISSUE.

THIRD ASST. POSTMASTER GENERAL,
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A description follows:

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The cable tells us that the Ferrari sale held in Paris this November has yielded another batch of high prices. The vertical pair of Spain, two reales of 1851, brought an equivalent of $8,666 and the "Bermuda one penny issue of 1854, on the entire envelope" which is evidently the Perot provisional of Gibbons' catalogue realized $2,000. In the fifth section of the sale, there were many stamps that sold for from one to fifteen thousand francs each. The buyers paid the French government tax of 17½ *per cent.*, as well. The newspaper editors presented the information with a variety of introductory lines, but as a rule, the headings indicate an absence of awe in the editorial mind, as evidently high prices for postage stamps are no longer a treat to the newspaper editors.

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In order that a definite understanding may be had of the circumstances attending the recent marketing of a stock of the "cents" issue of Nova Scotia, we take the following explanation from the November issue of Stanley Gibbons' *Monthly Circular*. It will be remembered that "about 1896" a stock of the cents value was found and it was handled by a local syndicate that succeeded in placing the best part of the stock, by far. The death not long ago of Major A. A. Bartlett who, we believe, marketed the holdings, caused the remaining owners of the stamps to sell the rest. The publishers of the *Monthly Circular* acquired the small lot which included all the cents denominations with the exception of the five cents. The buyers say that while the material in their possession revealed shades and varieties to some number, the total number of stamps was so small as to have no effect on catalogue prices which "could not be reduced."

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The publicity parade still continues to march on. In a metropolitan sense the subject is being well-covered and we are pleased to see that some of the big city newspapers are using the columns of the WEEKLY for the basis of their stories. The recent Hind article, copied from the WEEKLY by the New York *Times* was reprinted in the Chicago *Daily News* of November 15th, with due credit to both publications. Now we want the collectors in the smaller places to get in touch with their local papers and induce the home editors to give stamp collecting consideration in their newspapers. In this connection, we commend the course of Mr. E. J. Newcomer, Yakima, Washington, who writes us as follows: "I recently exhibited a few postage stamps at the Washington State Fair held here Sept. 18-23, inclusive. Thinking that you might be interested in it, I am enclosing a photo of the exhibit which took first prize, there having been no competition. However, I made the display primarily to try to locate other collectors and to stimulate interest in non-collectors or dormant ones. The only person I heard from was a newspaper reporter who wanted an interview. I did the best I could and think he did the subject justice. In this county I know of only one other collector in 30,000 people. He and I are two of about thirty members of the A. P. S. in Washington state. This will indicate that philatelists are few and far between out here." Judging from the first-page, half column article in the Yakima *Herald*, headed:" Stamp Pursuit Pleasant Hobby. E. J. Newcomer Has Interesting Collection With Special Emphasis on American and Colonial Issues", a seed has been sown that will flower into a few more collectors.

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An old-timer writes to tell of having been a victim of a profiteering stamp dealer whom he calls "a philatelic Ponzi", but he almost recants by adding that he "does not blame him." Our informant certainly is a tolerant chap; we remember how years ago, he told with gleeful excitement of having nabbed a 3s., first issue of Sweden that a luckless dealer had put on an approval sheet as the 5o., of the following issue, at the price of the common stamp.

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The collector who lugubriously ponders the price offered by the dealer for his old stamps may console himself with the thought that it might have been worse. A chap says that he had a massive piece of old furniture that he asked a "dealer in antiques" to buy. The dealer balked and the owner in desperation offered to give it to him but the man said that the old-fashioned piece was not worth the price of cartage to him.

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In order that final correction may be made of the article in the WEEKLY on the Luxemburg exhibition stamps that was published last summer and which was copied in the *Metropolitan News*, we take the following extracts from a letter received by Mr. Louis J. Bachand-Vertfeuille, secretary of the Metropolitan Association from Joseph Schuler, Eich, Luxemburg, general treasurer of the Union des Timbrophiles of Luxemburg and general treasurer of the organization committee of the exhibition. The stamps described were of a design resembling that of the current five francs showing a view of the Grand Bridge and are advertising labels issued by the Union des Timbrophiles de Luxembourg. The commemorative stamps issued on this occasion by the postal authorities are regulation postage stamps having a validity that is unrestricted. Two values with portrait of Grand Duchess Charlotte have been issued: 25c and 30c, but they may be distinguished from the current issue by the fact that they are imperforate and on watermarked paper. A special obliteration, "Exposition Internationale de Timbre poste, Luxembourg, 27-31 Aout 22," has been "created for the postal office that was situated in the entry of the Exhibition room." Of each of the two values, sixty thousand stamps were issued and on the second day of the Exhibition, the number was completely exhausted. In consequence the prices of these stamps are high; it is approximately five francs for the two values.

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An auction sale includes a stamp with "two teeth missing" which is a novel variation for "several perforations gone" but the buyer who gets the stamp almost as a gift should heed the injunction not to look the gift-horse in the mouth.

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A rhapsodical writer says that the blank spaces in his album intrigue him more than the ones that are filled. He is a happy soul and all that he needs to do to attain that will-o'-the-wisp, a complete collection, is to buy himself a blank album.

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A professor of Greek in one of our colleges has his playful moments as he writes us that a good part of his salary goes into his collection which he calls his "Grecian urn."

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1. The top of the G in the word "Savings" in the counterfeit is too thin, almost leaving a gap; in the genuine the line is clear and continuous.

2. A similar defect appears in the final S of "United States," the narrow portions both at the top and bottom of the letter being too thin, almost broken.

3. In the second letter C of the word "Certificate" the upper right-hand part is incomplete in the counterfeit.

4. The upper right-hand portion of the final S in "Savings" is poorly formed in the counterfeit, being distinctly smaller than in the genuine stamp.

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By DOUGLAS B. ARMSTRONG.

The resuscitation of the famous "Bull's eye" type of the first Brazilian postage stamps in connection with the centenary commemoration issue this month will awaken many memories in the hearts of old-time stamp collectors. Certain stamps exercise a peculiar fascination over the average collector's imagination, and amongst these must certainly be reckoned the striking, but unlovely "Bull's eyes" of Brazil.

Despite their comparative antiquity and undoubted popularity, the history of these familiar stamps is, to this day, but imperfectly known. Many circumstances connected with their origin remain shrouded in mystery. The identity of the engravers and printers responsible for the issue even now is the subject of controversy. In an article published in "Le Timbre-Poste" for March, 1867, the late J. B. Moens stated, on authority of an official of the Brazilian National Mint that "They (the Bull's eye stamps) were engraved in taille-douce by Messrs. Carlos Custodio de Azevedo et Guintino José de Faria, engravers at the Mint, and printed on a machine press by Messrs. Clementino Geraldo de Gonvea and Florentino Rodrigues Prado at the works of the National Treasury."

This statement, which is accepted by many specialists in Brazil (Col. G. F. Napier amongst them), has since been disputed by Mr. Chas. J. Phillips, who, writing in "Gibbons' Stamp Weekly" for April 2nd, 1910, declares that "All officials agree in stating that this issue was printed in the United States, and one gentleman informed Mr. Benest that a friend of his—an officer in the United States Navy—had seen the plates in New York."

No satisfactory evidence has been adduced, however, in support of either theory, and the whole question of the production of the first Brazilian stamps constitutes one of the unsolved mysteries of Philately.

It has long been known to Brazilian specialists that the "Bull's eye" stamps themselves were engraved upon a single copper plate containing examples of all three denominations, but only recently has the exact composition of this plate been definitely established through the studies of Dr. Mario de Sanctis of the Philatelic Society of San Paulo, who avers that there were three original plates, each consisting of 54 impressions, grouped in 9 rows of 6 as follows:—

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30	30	30	30	30	30
60	60	60	60	60	60
60	60	60	60	60	60
60	60	60	60	60	60
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Subsequently three further plates were laid down, composed of 60 subjects each, in ten rows of 6, one of which was made up entirely of 30 reis stamps and the other two of 60 reis: no new plate for the 90 reis being constructed owing to the small demand for that value. Impressions from these plates vary considerably, as does also the paper from thick, soft yellowish to thin, almost bluish grey. Some of the worn impressions appear to show signs of retouching.

According to the excellent Moens the adoption of adhesive postage stamps by Brazil, the second country in the world to make use of them, was due to the efforts of a Brazilian Consul in Europe, who was impressed by the advantages of the system then newly introduced by the British Post Office.

The issue of adhesive stamps for prepayment of correspondence was authorized by a decree of the Imperial Government dated November 29th, 1842 the intention being that they should bear a portrait of the Emperor, after the British pattern. But the Director of the Mint at Rio de Janerio represented to the Minister that the obliteration of the stamps would show a want of respect for the ruler, with the result that the severely utilitarian "Bull's eye" type was eventually substituted. Mr. Mario de Sanctis states that the first plates were delivered by the engravers on April 29th, 1843, and the order for printing the stamps from them was given to the Printing Department of the Mint on May 19th. The initial issue to the public took place on July 1st of the same year.

The prevailing rates of postage were:—Up to 4 oitavos (½ oz.) 60 reis by land, 120r by sea. Up to 6 oitavos (¾ oz.) 90 reis by land, 180r by sea. Up to 8 oitavos, 120 reis by land, 240r by sea.

The "Bull's eye" stamps after less than twelve months were retired from circulation on June 30th, 1844, in consequence of a discovery made by the Inspector of the Sub-Treasury at Sergipe, who, as early as December, 1843, forwarded to the head office two stamps, which proved that the stamps could easily be detached and used over again if the cancellation was not too heavy. The Postmaster-General thereupon decided to substitute the smaller stamps in the oblong numeral type, which were finally brought into use on July 1st, 1844.—*Philatelic Magazine.*

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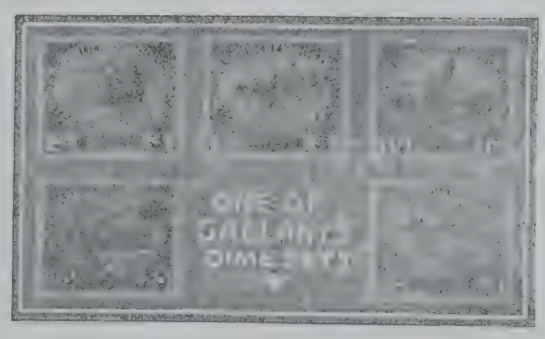

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UNITED STATES.—The new 6c stamp of the 1922 series was placed on sale in Washington per schedule on Monday, November the 20th. It was the hopes of the Department to be able to have this on sale on the anniversary of the birth of the ex-President, but the 19th falling on a Sunday made it necessary to start the sale the following day.

Four plates of 400 subjects each, bearing numbers 14,169 to 14,172 inclusive were used and the stamps themselves are printed on unwatermarked paper and perforated 11. These larger sheets in turn are cut into panes of 100 and distributed in this manner. The portrait is a side face of President Garfield similar to that used on the 6c stamp of the 1895 series. The stamp resembles in make-up the 11c denomination although in this case, the background is somewhat lighter. The 1c, 2c and 4c will be the next to follow.

Through the courtesy of Mr. L. A. Hill, Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, we are able to bring our list of plate numbers up to Nov. 15th. It will be noted that this list includes all of the new series issued to date, in addition to new plates of the 1c, 2c and 4c. In the case of the 2c not only a number of flat plates have been made up from the new die, but several plates for the sidewise coils, two plates for the endwise coils and four booklet plates. Some of these will no doubt make their appearance before the end of November.

Plate No.	Denom.	Class.	Series.	Subject
14012-013	1c	Ord Cvd	1911	400
14014-025	2c	Ord	1911	400
14026-029	2c	Post Due	1894	400
14030-033	2c	Ord Cvd	1911	170
14034-037	1c	Post Due	1894	400
14038-041	2c	Ord Cvd	1911	170
14042-045	50c	Ord	1922	400
14046-049	Experimental plates			
14050-057	2c	Ord Cvd	1911	170
14058-061	11c	Ord	1922	400
14062-065	25c	Ord	1922	400
14066-069	5c	Ord	1922	400
14070-073	15c	Ord	1922	400
14074-093	2c	Ord	1922	400
14094-097	4c	Ord	1922	400
14098-099	2c	Ord Cvd	1922	170
14100-103	2c	Ord	1922	400
14104	1c	Ord Cvd	1911	170
14105-108	2c	Ord	1922	400
14109-112	2c	Ord Cvd	1922	170
14113-116	2c	Ord	1922	400
14117-118	2c	Ord Cvd	1922	170
14120-122	2c	Ord	1922	400
14123-126	2c	Ord Cvd	1922	170
14127-130	2c	Ord	1922	400
14131-138	2c	Ord Cvd	1922	170
14139-146	2c	Ord	1922	400
14147-150	2c	Ord Cvd	1922	170
14151-154	2c	Ord	1922	400
14155-156	2c	Ord Cvd	1922	150
14157-160	1c	Ord	1922	400
14161-168	2c	Ord	1922	400
14169-172	6c	Ord	1922	400
14173-176	2c	Ord Cvd	1922	170
14177-180	2c	Ord	1922	400
14181-184	2c	Book	1922	360

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14013, the last coil plate of the same denomination being a lone plate evidently made up to replace a damaged plate of some pair bearing No. 14104. The last 2c flat plate is No. 14025 whereas the last coil plate of the old series is 14057. It will further be noted that the first 1c plate of the new series is No. 14157 the first 2c plate 14074 and the first 4c 14094.

Mr. Geo. B. Sloane kindly sends for our inspection one of the most unusual late cancellations that has come to my notice. This is the special cancellation mentioned in this Chronicle before, for Guero, Texas, and consists of the usual town name and date within a circle and a flag enclosing a turkey in flight with a small ribbon above reading "Guero, Texas, Nov. 9, 10, 11, 1922." The cancellation was used only these three days during which time we understand the city had a special sale of turkeys which were shipped to various surrounding territories.

We have received a copy of the report for 1922 of the Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing and expect to review it in this column for next week.

The new Scott catalogue dealing with United States issues will be on sale by the time these notes reach our readers and from a glance at the proof sheets we are confident that they will arouse great interest and will result in many more collectors specializing in the issues of our country. The catalogue will deal with the general issues only and will have the Special Prints, Coils and Booklets under separate headings. All stamps will be priced used and unused singularly at the same figures given in their Standard catalogue and this will be followed by prices for blocks, pairs in the case of the imperf. issues, shades and varieties. The varieties will be classified first as to perforations; second as to design; and third as to paper. Some of the prices on blocks will surprise many who have not been keeping in touch with this phase of collecting.

GERMANY.—Mr. Richard Lamprecht sends us a copy of the 50mk blue in the type of Scott's A31.

MONACO.—Mr. W. T. Wilson informs us of the appearance of the two more values of the new pictorial set. They are the 30c green, showing a view of the Museum of Oceanography and the 60c olive grey, picturing the Rock of Monaco.

MONTSERRAT.—Mr. R. Roberts sends us the following new issues: ¼d brown, 1½d orange, 2½d ultramarine, 5d lilac and sage green, 2sh on blue, 3sh green and lilac and 4sh black and carmine, all on script watermarked paper. Also 3d on new yellow paper, old watermark, and the 4d on the same new yellow paper with the old watermark.

NORTH WEST PACIFIC ISLANDS.—Mr. R. Roberts advises us of the 1d violet, 2d pale red and 4d ultramarine together with the 2½d Kangaroo type of Australia surcharged in the usual manner for use in these islands. The 1d, 2d and 4d are the Tudor Crown watermark and the 2½d the Narrow Crown.

SIERRA LEONE.—Mr. R. Roberts has shown us the 2d grey, 3d ultramarine and 9d violet and black, in the small type printed on script watermarked paper.

SOLOMON ISLANDS.—The *Australian Philatelic Record* announce that the 1d script and the 3d, new yellow paper, old CA are due for issue.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—Mr. R. Roberts sends for chronicle a copy of the $5 on bright emerald paper all through.

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65	3c	Rose	.03	.02
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		1862 Issue.		
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75	5c	Red Brown	5.75	5.00
76	5c	Brown	1.15	.90
77	15c	Black	1.75	1.40
78	24c	Lilac, Shades	1.50	1.10
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		Embossing Measures 11x13 MM.		
86	1c	Blue	2.25	1.75
87	2c	Black	.75	.60
88	3c	Rose	.15	.11
89	10c	Green	1.75	1.50
90	12c	Black	1.50	1.25
91	15c	Black	3.25	2.75
		Embossing Measures 9x13 MM.		
92	1c	Black	1.75	1.35
93	2c	Black	.30	.25
94	3c	Rose	.05	.03
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115	6c	Blue	2.25	1.75
116	10c	Yellow	2.00	1.60
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		National Bank Note Company.		
136	3c	Green	.08	.06
137	6c	Carmine	3.25	2.75
		1870-71, Without Embossing.		
145	1c	Ultramarine	.10	.08
146	2c	Red Brown	.04	.03
147	3c	Green	.02	.01
148	6c	Carmine	.18	.14
149	7c	Vermilion	1.25	.90
150	10c	Brown	.30	.25
151	12c	Dull Violet	.70	.55
152	15c	Orange	1.00	.80
153	24c	Purple	2.75	2.25
154	30c	Black	1.75	1.50
155	90c	Carmine	2.00	1.65
		1873 Issue.		
		Continental Bank Note Company.		
156	1c	Ultramarine	.04	.03
157	2c	Brown	.05	.04
158	3c	Green	.02	.01
159	6c	Dull Pink	.09	.07
160	7c	Vermilion	1.25	.90
161	10c	Brown	.12	.09
162	12c	Black	.75	.60
163	15c	Orange	1.50	1.25
165	30c	Gray Black	.35	.30
166	90c	Rose Carmine	3.25	2.75
		1875 Issue.		
178	2c	Vermilion	.05	.04
179	5c	Blue	.12	.10
182	1c	Ultramarine	.08	.06
183	2c	Vermilion	.02	.01
184	3c	Green	.01	.01
185	5c	Blue	.10	.08
186	6c	Pink	.20	.15
188	10c	Brown	.10	.07
189	15c	Orange	.30	.22
190	30c	Black	.30	.25
191	90c	Carmine	2.75	2.25
		1882-1888 Issues.		
205	5c	Yellow Brown	.07	.05
206	1c	Blue	.02	.01
207	3c	Green	.01	.01
208	6c	Rose	1.00	.75
209	10c	Brown	.02	.01
210	2c	Red Brown	.01	.01
211	4c	Green	.09	.07
212	2c	Green	.01	.01
214	1c	Ultramarine	.01	.01
215	4c	Carmine	.12	.09
216	5c	Blue	.10	.08
217	30c	Orange Brown	.80	.65
218	90c	Purple	2.15	1.75
		1890 Issue.		
219	1c	Blue	.01	.01
219d	2c	Lake	.03	.02
220	2c	Carmine	.01	.01
220a	2c	Carmine	.07	.06
220b	2c	Carmine	.12	.10
221	3c	Purple	.02	.01
222	4c	Brown	.02	.01
223	5c	Chocolate	.02	.01
224	6c	Brown Red	.10	.08
225	8c	Lilac	.03	.02
226	10c	Green	.02	.01
227	15c	Indigo	.15	.12
228	30c	Black	.25	.18
229	90c	Orange	1.00	.85
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230	1c		.01	.01
231	2c		.01	.01
232	3c		.06	.05
233	4c		.03	.02
234	5c		.03	.02
235	6c		.10	.08
236	8c		.04	.03
237	10c		.03	.02
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246	1c	Ultramarine	.04	.03
247	1c	Blue	.01	.01
248	2c	Pink, Tri. 1	.04	.03
253	3c	Purple	.03	.02
254	4c	Brown	.02	.01
255	5c	Chocolate	.02	.01
256	6c	Dull Red	.05	.04
257	8c	Puce	.04	.03
258	10c	Green	.02	.01
259	15c	Blue	.20	.15
260	50c	Orange	.65	.55
		1895 Issue, Watermarked, U. S. P. S.		
264	1c	Blue	.01	.01
268	3c	Purple	.02	.01
269	4c	Brown	.01	.01
270	5c	Chocolate	.01	.01
271	6c	Dull Brown	.03	.02
272	8c	Puce	.02	.01
273	10c	Green	.01	.01
274	15c	Blue	.11	.08
275	50c	Orange	.25	.20
		1898-99 Issue.		
279	1c	Green	.01	.01
279a	2c	Orange Red	.01	.01
279c	2c	Rose Carmine	.25	.15
280	4c	Rose Brown, Shades	.02	.01
281	5c	Blue	.01	.01
282	6c	Lake	.03	.02
282c	10c	Brown, Type 1	.03	.02
283	10c	Brown, Type 2	.03	.02
283b	10c	Yellow Brown, Type 2	.03	.02
284	15c	Olive	.08	.07
		1898 Trans-Mississippi Issue.		
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286	2c	Copper Red	.01	.01
287	4c	Orange	.10	.08
288	5c	Blue	.14	.12
289	8c	Violet Brown	.15	.12
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295	2c	Red and Black	.01	.01
296	4c	Chocolate and Black	.08	.06
297	5c	Blue and Black	.15	.12
298	8c	Violet and Black	.18	.14
299	10c	Brown and Black	.12	.10
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300	1c	Green	.01	.01
301	2c	Carmine	.01	.01
302	3c	Violet	.02	.01
303	4c	Brown	.02	.01
304	5c	Blue	.01	.01
305	6c	Claret	.02	.01
306	8c	Black	.02	.01
307	10c	Brown	.01	.01
308	13c	Purple Black	.05	.03
309	15c	Olive Green	.04	.03
310	50c	Orange	.20	.15
311	$1.00	Black	.35	.30
314	2c	Red	.01	.01
314e	2c	Carmine Imperf.	.15	.12
		1904 St. Louis.		
315	1c	Green	.02	.01
316	2c	Carmine	.02	.01
317	3c	Purple	.10	.08
318	5c	Blue	.10	.08
319	10c	Brown	.12	.10
		1907 Jamestown Exposition.		
320	1c	Green	.02	.01
321	2c	Carmine	.01	.01
322	5c	Blue	.10	.08
		1908-09 Issue.		
323	1c	Green	.01	.01
323a	1c	Green, Imperf.	.05	.04
324	2c	Carmine	.01	.01
324a	2c	Carmine, Imperf.	.07	.05
325	3c	Deep Violet	.01	.01
325a	3c	Imperf.	.12	.10
326	4c	Brown	.01	.01
326a	4c	Imperf.	.13	.10
327	5c	Blue	.01	.01
327a	5c	Imperf.	.15	.12
328	6c	Red Orange	.01	.01
329	8c	Olive Green	.02	.01
330	10c	Yellow	.01	.01
332	15c	Ultramarine	.04	.03
333	50c	Violet	.20	.15
		1909 Special Issues.		
335	2c	Lincoln	.01	.01
335a	2c	Lincoln Imperf.	.10	.08
336	2c	Alaska	.01	.01
336a	2c	Alaska, Imperf.	.10	.08
337	2c	Hudson Fulton	.01	.01
337a	2c	Hudson Imperf.	.10	.08
		1910 U. S. P. S. Single Lined.		
338	1c	Green	.01	.01
338a	1c	Green, Imperf.	.04	.03
339	2c	Carmine	.01	.01
339a	2c	Carmine, Imperf.	.04	.03
340	3c	Deep Violet	.01	.01
341	4c	Brown	.01	.01
342	5c	Blue	.01	.01
343	6c	Red Orange	.02	.01
344	8c	Olive Green	.02	.01
345	10c	Yellow	.02	.01
346	15c	Ultramarine	.06	.05
		1912-15 Panama-Pacific Issue.		
347	1c	Green	.01	.01
348	2c	Carmine	.01	.01
349	5c	Blue	.06	.04
350	10c	Orange	.06	.04
350a	10c	Yellow	.08	.06
		Perf. 10.		
351	1c	Green	.02	.01
352	2c	Carmine	.02	.01
352a	2c	Red	.02	.01
353	5c	Blue	.08	.06
354	10c	Orange	.08	.06
		1912-15 General Issues.		
355	1c	Green	.01	.01
355a	1c	Imperf.	.03	.02
356	2c	Carmine	.01	.01
356a	2c	Imperf.	.03	.02
357	7c	Black	.03	.02
358	8c	Olive Green	.02	.01
359	9c	Salmon Red	.04	.03
360	10c	Orange Yellow	.02	.01
361	12c	Claret Brown	.04	.03
362	15c	Gray	.03	.02
363	20c	Ultramarine	.03	.02
364	30c	Orange Red	.07	.06
365	50c	Violet	.20	.15
367	50c	Violet	.15	.11
		1914-15, Perforated 10.		
369	1c	Green	.01	.01
370	a, b, or c,	2c Shades	.01	.01
371	3c	Deep Violet	.01	.01
372	4c	Brown	.01	.01
372a		Perf. Vertically	.04	.03
373	5c	Blue	.01	.01
374	6c	Red Orange	.01	.01
375	7c	Black	.03	.02
376	8c	Olive Green	.03	.02
377	9c	Salmon Red	.05	.04
378	10c	Orange Yellow	.01	.01
379	11c	Dark Green	.10	.08
380	12c	Claret Brown	.03	.02
381	12c	Copper Red	.03	.02
382	15c	Gray	.03	.02
383	20c	Ultramarine	.03	.02
384	30c	Orange Red	.07	.05
385	50c	Violet	.11	.09
386	$1.00	Violet Brown	.25	.20
		1916-17, Unwatermarked.		
389	1c	Green	.01	.01
389a	1c	Green, Imperf.	.02	.01
390	2c	Carmine	.01	.01
390a	2c	Carmine, Imperf.	.02	.01
391	3c	Violet	.05	.03
392	4c	Orange	.02	.01
393	5c	Blue	.02	.01
395	6c	Red Orange	.02	.01
396	7c	Black	.03	.02
397	8c	Olive Green	.02	.01
398	9c	Salmon Red	.04	.03
399	10c	Orange Yellow	.01	.01
400	11c	Dark Green	.05	.04
401	12c	Claret Brown	.03	.02
402	15c	Gray	.03	.02
403	20c	Ultramarine	.03	.02
405	50c	Light Violet	.11	.08
406	$1.00	Violet Brown	.22	.18
407	$2.00	Dark Blue	.65	.55
408	$5.00	Light Green	1.00	.90
		1917, Perforated 11, Unwatermarked.		
409	1c	Green	.01	.01
410	2c	Rose	.01	.01
411	3c	Violet	.01	.01
412	4c	Brown	.01	.01
413	5c	Blue	.01	.01
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415	6c	Red Orange	.01	.01
416	7c	Black	.02	.01
417	8c	Olive Green	.02	.01
418	9c	Salmon Red	.03	.02
419	10c	Orange Yellow	.01	.01
420	11c	Dark Green	.03	.02
421	12c	Brown Carmine	.02	.01
422	13c	Apple Green	.08	.06
423	15c	Gray	.02	.01
424	20c	Ultramarine	.02	.01
425	30c	Orange Red	.04	.03
426	50c	Light Violet	.04	.03
427	$1.00	Violet Brown	.08	.07
		1918-1920 Issues.		
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432	24c	Aeroplane	.35	.30
435	1c	Gray Green	.01	.01
436	2c	Carmine	.01	.01
437	3c	Purple	.01	.01
439	3c	Violet-Victory	.02	.01
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1451	2c	Carmine	.01	.01
1452	3c	Carmine	.03	.02
1453	4c	Carmine	.02	.01
1454	5c	Carmine	.01	.01
1455	10c	Carmine	.01	.01
1456	15c	Carmine	.04	.03
1457	20c	Carmine	.04	.03
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1515	2c		.15	.18	.15
1516	3c		.55	.12	.10
1517	6c		.55	.15	.13
1518	10c		.55	.45	.38
1519	12c		.55	.45	.38
1520	15c		.65	.45	.38
1521	24c		1.00	.75	.65
1522	30c		1.15	.75	.65
1523	90c		3.00	1.75	1.25
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1525	2c		2.00	2.00	1.75
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1529	12c		2.25	1.75	1.50
1530	15c		4.50	3.50	3.00
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1535	2c		.95	.45	.40
1536	3c		1.25	.45	.40
1537	6c		1.10	.45	.40
1538	7c		11.00	6.50	6.00
1539	10c		1.75	1.25	1.10
1540	12c		1.10	.90	.80
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1544	90c		11.00	7.50	6.50
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1546	1c		.40	.30	.25
1547	2c		.40	.30	.25
1548	3c		.10	.10	.08
1549	6c		.22	.17	.14
1550	10c		1.25	1.10	.90
1551	12c		.85	.70	.55
1552	15c		1.25	1.00	.80
1553	24c		.85	.55	.45
1554	30c		.85	.55	.45
1555	90c		1.75	1.10	.90
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1559	6c		.85	.70	.60
1560	7c		2.25	1.85	1.70
1561	10c		2.25	1.35	1.20
1562	12c		3.25	2.50	2.25
1563	15c		3.25	2.50	2.25
1564	24c		6.00	4.50	4.00
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1573	3c		.15	.12	.10
1574	6c		.25	.14	.12
1575	7c		1.75	1.10	1.00
1576	10c		.45	.30	.27
1577	12c		.45	.22	.18
1578	15c		.50	.25	.20
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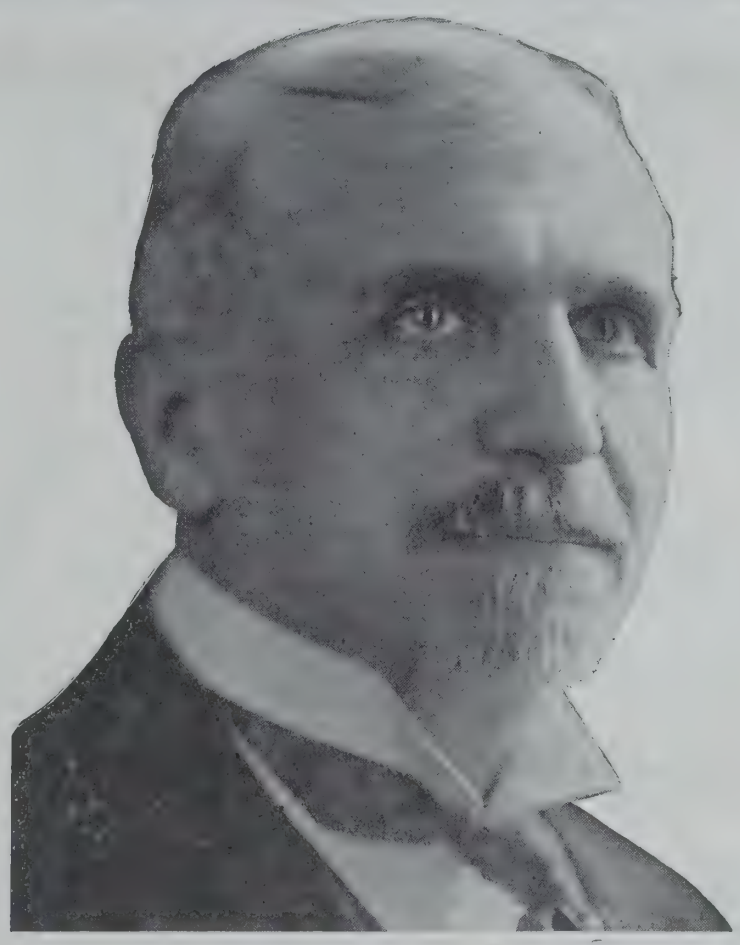

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BRITISH HONDURAS, NEW TYPE, 1922.

By HARRY E. HUBER.

As early as 1919, a rumor was current that the D. L. R. 1912 keyplate design was being abandoned by British Honduras for the Nyasaland type, the "cents" values to be in the conventional size, 18½ x 22½mm., and the "dollar" values in the receipt size, 25 x 30mm. But printings continued to be made from D. L. R. 1912 plate 2, and even plate 3 was used in 1921 for the 1c and $5.

In March, 1922, the Crown Agents announced that for British Honduras "new duties of 5c, 25c and $2 have been printed from the Nyasaland type general keyplate." The stamps were received in March, but withheld from issue until August 1st, 1922, pending lowering of old stock. The 10c, advised by the Crown Agents in June, as being in printing, will be placed on sale December 1st, 1922. The 2c was being printed in September and will be issued early in the new year. Booklets containing 100-2c stamps in the new type will be issued at the same time. All values are in the conventional size.

The D. L. R. 1888, keyplate design (the original of which contained the head of Queen Victoria, but altered as to the sovereign's head in 1901, and again in 1911) was more favorably received than was anticipated, although the design left much to be desired. In favor of the keyplate system of printing is the resulting economy, as De La Rue & Co., Ltd., furnish the keyplates without charge, and the Colonies pay merely for the overprint or duty plates. Thus the expense of making a separate plate for each value is avoided.

In 1908 an improved design was introduced, known as the Nyasaland type, being first used in that year for the stamps of the Nyasaland Protectorate, in which the sovereign's head is on a horizontally lined ground, within a pearled oval. Requiring not an overprint plate but rather a border plate, for completion, it is obvious that these border plates are more expensive than the simple name and duty plates used for the D. L. R. 1888 and D. L. R. 1912 keyplates. At the same time, a keyplate was made for a stamp in the receipt size, 25 x 30mm., (intended for high values), in the design of which the pearled oval with the King's head is surmounted by a crown, all being superimposed on a shield with garlands of fruit and flowers.

In its original state, with the head of King Edward VII, the receipt size plate was used by none of the British Colonies in the Western Hemisphere, and the conventional size plate only by Jamaica, for the 2d gray, issued on February 16, 1911. In the following year when the new keyplate, with the head of King George V substituted, became available, this design was adopted by Jamaica. and subsequently used for all values from 1d through 5s, and by St. Lucia for the 4d. The receipt size keyplate was made use of by Bermuda for the 2s6d, 5s, 10s and £1 issued March 30, 1918, and the 2s and 4s issued June 19, 1920.

The keyplate used for printing these stamps consists of two 120 set plates, which when clamped together produce sheets of 240 stamps, four panes of 60, with plate 1 over the 2nd and 5th stamps of the first horizontal row of the upper left and upper right panes, respectively, and under the corresponding stamps of the lower row of the lower left and lower right panes. The lower margin of the two upper panes is devoid of plate number marking, and similarly, the upper margin of the two lower panes. When 120 stamp sheets are required. either sheets of 240 stamps are cut in halves, or the plates are unclamped, and the upper or lower 120 set used.

In the design of the border plate for the British Honduras stamps, the value is in colorless figures and letters in tablets in the upper corners, with the Imperial Crown between. At the bottom "BRITISH HONDURAS", in colorless caps, with "POSTAGE" and "REVENUE" at the sides, in small colored caps, conform to the oval. The marginal line, which is part of the border plate, is broken at each line of perforation, which is comb 14.

All values are in sheets of 120, from the lower 120 set, with plate number 1 in the lower margin only.

The watermark is multiple Crown and script CA except for the 25c, which is on emerald green paper, with multiple Crown CA watermark. Green paper with the script watermark has not yet been announced by the Crown Agents as in manufacture. The 5c is on ordinary paper, and the higher values on paper with chalk surfacing.

It is a matter of much regret that the King's head and Arms type, of the 2c Peace and 4c modified Peace stamps of 1921-22, was not used for the new series, as the master die is available, and the only change necessary would have been in the value tablets. Being printed from line engraved plates, the series would have presented a much better appearance than the typographed stamps in the Nyasaland type. The tendency at present in most British territories is to have a distinctive design, emphasizing as it does, the importance of the Colony.

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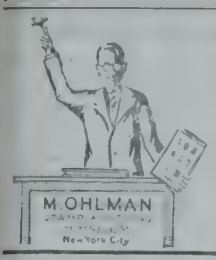

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By E. TUDOR GROSS.

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The first issue of these new stamps will be placed on sale at the post-office at Washington, D. C., November 11, 1922, Armistice Day. They will also be placed on sale November 11, 1922, at the Philatelic Stamp Agency, Division of Stamps, Post Office Department, for the benefit of stamp collectors and dealers.

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited, as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—We are informed of the death of Charles E. H. Webster, 260 North Main St., Waterbury, Conn. The source of our information is J. C. Matthews, the Olympia, Wash., dealer, and we have no particulars to accompany this brief statement.

—If any of our subscribers are so inclined we suggest that some Christmas cheer of a philatelic nature be sent to Miss Marion C. Deane, 2902 N. Union St., Tacoma, Wash. Miss Deane is a shut-in.

—The December number of the *Sudden Service Surcle* has been received. It is the house organ of the Fennell Stamp Co., St. Louis, Mo. The number before us is very interesting, containing as it does "As Is" by Edwin B. Hill, special notes by Nodrog and several editorials. The subscription price is 35c per year and a sample copy can no doubt be obtained upon request.

—Evidently several types of tuberculosis postal cancellations will be used during the Christmas holidays. A. W. Whitten of Chicago sends us a second type, showing the inscription in a fanciful arrangement. It is from Pittsburgh, Pa.

—Any of our subscribers interested in meter markings or slogan cancellations should regularly receive the *Collector's Digest*, published by A. H. Pike, Station G, Buffalo, N. Y. Nos. 10 and 11 are both obtainable at 25c each. It is needless to say that the money received by Mr Pike does not begin to finance the big undertaking that is represented in this publication. Mr. Pike has contributed to the WEEKLY several articles dealing with these interesting philatelic sidelines and it is undoubtedly true that his work is of inestimable value.

—A novel advertising cancellation has been put into use by the London, England, office. It consists of the inscription "British Empire Exhibition 1924." In the center of the design is a lion with horizontal wavy lines on either side.

—"In my ad of the 18th inst., Egypt 10m Blue Postage Due No. 122 is offered at $3.00. This should have been $2.00. I don't know whether it was my error or your printer's, but at any rate, I would appreciate a correction."—MAXWELL KRAUSE. This is very gladly given. (Ed.).

—We have received Volume 1, Number 1, of the *Western Collector*, published from 174 Hargrave St., Winnipeg, Man. It is a magazine of sixteen pages published monthly, and the subscription price is 50c per year. A sample copy can no doubt be had on application.

—Frank A. Goldsmith has shown us three new cancellations. One is from Bozeman, Mont., and bears the inscription "Gateway Yellowstone National Park." Another is from Tampa, Fla., with "South Florida Fair, Tampa, Feb. 1-10, 1923". The third cancellation is the familiar winged air-mail marking in purple on a letter sent from Elko, Nev., to Beverly, Mass.

—J. C. W.—A philatelic annual such as you describe would doubtless have a good circulation, but it would not be a money-making proposition We should have produced such a book ere this, were it not for the fact that London keeps us very well supplied in this direction.

—Geo. W. Tuomey calls our attention to an error in an article by E. G. Young, published Sept. 9, entitled, "Comment from China." Mr. Twomey affirms that there is an Italian post-office in Tientsin located in the building adjoining the headquarters of the Italian concession police force. Our correspondent adds that a similar office may be found in Peking in the building occupied by the Italian legislation.

—Dr. Homer Collins suggests that the WEEKLY publish some articles on the provisionally surcharged narcotic stamps and the provisional playing cards stamps of recent issues. Are any of our readers interested enough to submit such articles?

—F. J. DeWitt sends us a new 12c metered mail stamp. It bears a Chicago marking and was used by the University of Chicago in the mailing of football tickets. The date is Nov. 11, and the permit number 2,530. Color carmine. We are also indebted to S. Hyman for submitting a specimen.

—A. A. Wasserscheid informs us that he has seen a new advertising cancellation coming from Richmond, Va., which reads as follows:—"Christmas Seals Stamp Out Tuberculosis."

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1912, ½-1p	116-18	.30	.12
1912, 2½p	120	.30	.13
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Hayti 1914, 2, 5c	204-5	.18	.07
1915-16, 1 on 10c	236	.15	.07
1915-16, 1 on 50c	238	.10	.03
1915-16, 1 on 7c	242	.08	.02
1917-19, 2 on 8c	257	.15	.06
1917-19, 1 on 15c	276	.00	.26
1919-20, 5 on 25c	207	.25	.11
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1914, ½-2c	349-51	.11	.03
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Norway 1908, 15c on 1s	77	.08	.03
Rhodesia 1908, ½, 1½p	119, 120B	.08	.03
St.Kitts-Nevis '07-08, ½-1p	16-7	.10	.04
1920, ½-1½p	24-6	.19	.09
Siam 1912, 2, 3s	145-6	.07	.02
1914-15, 5/6, 10/12s	158-9	.11	.04
1917, 5, 10s	166-7	.06	.02
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* 1909, 10c car. & blk., No. 42	.25	.06
* 1915, 5-50c, 6 var.	.45	.22
1915, 5 franc ochre & black	1.25	.40
*Corea 1885-6, 5-100 mons,5 va.cpl.	1.25	.40
*Costa Rica 1907, 4c car. & indigo	.50	.12
*Cuba 1898, 4m orange brown	.15	.04
Curacao 1895, 2½ on 10c ultra.	.50	.17
1895, 2½ on 30c gray	.40	.15
*Danish West Indies 1873, 7c	1.00	.35
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1906-13, 10 var.	.36	.09
* 1915 Com., ¼, 2 & 10c	.42	.12
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Unpaid 1901, 4 var.	.98	.30
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Dutch Indies 1905, 1gld lilac	.12	.02
1905, 2½gld slate blue	.75	.22
1908, 7½, 17½ 22½c	.35	.12
1918 Java, ½c-1gld, 17 var.	1.44	.50
1912-14, 50c green	.10	.02
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1907, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10 & 20c	.33	.10
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1915-17, 50c violet & blk.	.50	.12
1920, Nos. 214, 215, 216 & 220	.38	.10
Egypt 1914, 10 var. complete	.52	.15
1915, 2m on 3m orange	.06	.02
Finland 1891-2, 35 or 50k, each	.60	.15
1917-18, 5 mark vio. & blk.	.12	.03
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1919 Prov., 4 var.	.19	.05
1919, 5p-50p	.13	.03
Fr. Morocco 1891-1900, 10, 25 & 5c	.50	.15
Fr. Morocco 1911-17, 1-50c, 9 var.	.50	.15
1914-17, 3-50c, 8 var.	.60	.20
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Gt. Br. Morocco 1917-18, 1sh bist.	1.00	.30
1907-18, 8 var.	.53	.17
Grenada, 8 var.	.58	.19
1913, 2, 2½ & 3d	.50	.17
Unpaid 1906-11, 1d black	.50	.12
Unpaid 1906-11, 2d black	.50	.10
Hawaiian 1894, 1, 2 & 5c	.24	.07
Hong Kong 1890, 30c gray grn.	.50	.15
1891, 20 on 30c gr. green	.35	.08
India 1911-13, 1r-25r, 6 var.	4.45	1.50
Off. 1909, 2r, No. 259	.15	.07
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Off. 1909, 10r, No. 262	1.50	.60
Japan 1876-7, 8, 10 & 15 sen	.26	.05
1914, 1, 5 & 10y	.23	.05
China, 10, 15, 20, 50s & 1y	.39	.12
*Luxemburg 1865-72, 40c pale or.	10.00	2.00
*Montenegro 1907, 12 var. compl.	.51	.10
New Zealand Revs., used P. Nos. 252, 3, 4 & 5	1.07	.25
Off. 1915-20, 6d, No. 550	.50	.10
*Nicaragua 1913, ½ on 3c, No. 311	.25	.05
* 1913, 3c on 6c, No. 324	.10	.02
* 1913, 6c on 1p, No. 335	.15	.03
* 1913, 10c on 2p, No. 336	.20	.04
* 1913, 1p on 5p, No. 337	1.00	.15
Nicaragua 1918-19 Prov., 10 var.	1.50	.38
1921 Prov., Nos. 397, 8 & 9	.30	.10
1921 Prov., Nos. 400 to 405	.93	.30
1922 Prov., Nos. 413 to 416	.40	.13
*Nicaragua 1922 Prov., 1 on 10c	.10	.03
Norway 1911-18, 1, 1.50 & 2kr	.31	.10
1914, 5, 10 & 20k	.18	.06
*Panama 1906-7, 25c br. & blk.	.50	.15
Paraguay Prov., Nos. 225, 241 or 242, each	.10	.03
*Paraguay Unpd. 1904, 10c green	.20	.03
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St. Kitts & Nevis '20, ½, 1 & 1½d	.19	.08
Salvador 1909,1c gr.& blk.,No.374	1.00	.25
Salvador 1912, 1c-1col complete	.54	.15
Siam 1908, 1t green & violet	.75	.40
1906, 1, 2, 3, 4, 8 & 12a	.46	.13
1906, 1t blue & orange	.25	.05
1909-10 Prov., 6 var.	.42	.12
1910, 2-28a complete	.36	.12
1914-15, Nos. 157 to 160	.27	.05
1917, 2-15s	.16	.05
*Turkey Unpd. 1914, 4 var.	.32	.06
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WHAT STAMPS CAN TEACH.

PART II.

By L. H. BRIGHAM.

Having discussed the "physical" parts of a postage stamp, we now come to the inanimate or representative side of the subject. Contrary to what might be considered the case, this is really the most interesting and fascinating part of collecting.

Every one knows what a cent, a nickel, a dime, a quarter, a half, and a dollar are, and what are their relative values one to the other.

The war also did much to fix the relative value, in our money, of the English shilling, the French franc, the German mark, the Russian ruble, the Austrian krone, and the Italian lira. How many of us, however, can tell offhand what is the equivalent value in our money of the following foreign coins and from what country they originate: The *anna, pie, sucre, peso, kran, ore, gersh, para, shai, piaster, escudo,* and a score of others?

Under the postal agreements which the various nations have with one another the rates of postage between any two countries are the same. For example: The postage on an unregistered letter to Sweden is 5 cents at the present time; the postage on the same letter from Sweden to the United States is 20 ore. This tells us that 20 ore in Swedish currency is equivalent to 5 cents in our money. We can therefore in a like manner soon learn the equivalent values of all of these coins by noticing the value of the foreign stamps on a letter and comparing it with the rate of postage from this country to any other one.

CANCELLATIONS

From these one learns the principal business cities of the countries of the world; the chief routes of travel; the length of time required to travel from place to place, and a vast storehouse of other information. "Via Suez Canal," "via Constantinople," "via Steamship Aeolus," "via Cunard Line," "via 20th Century Limited," "via Aërial Mail Service," etc., are all marks of routing and dispatch, commonly appearing on envelopes which fall into the hands of the average collector. Do not these stampings arouse the imagination and make one feel as though he were somewhat better acquainted with travel and strange lands?

We see the words "Recommande," "Certificada," "Aangeteckend," etc., heavily stamped typed, or written upon a great many letters, all of which bear a printed, numbered, gummed label or rubber-stamped number. These mysterious words mean "Registered" in French, Spanish, and Dutch respectively. Here is a letter postmarked "Soerabaija, 28-11-21.8-9V" on the face of the envelope. The reverse side shows two other cancellations: "New York, N. Y. Reg'y Div. 1-11-1922" and "Southbridge, Mass., Registered, Jan. 12, 1922." These cancellations do not say much, but a short study of them tells us the following: Letter mailed in Soerabaija (principal port), island of Java, Dutch East Indies, on the 28th of November, 1921, at 9 A.M. The letter reached New York on January 11, 1922, and "cleared" through the foreign registry division of that city. It was remailed from New York to Southbridge, Mass., on the same day and was received in Southbridge on the day following, as indicated by the third and last postmark. We learn from these cancellations that it takes a letter somewhere in the vicinity of forty-four days to come from the Dutch East Indies to America, which means a journey nearly around the entire globe. The actual traveling time is, of course, entirely dependent upon the route of travel and the weather conditions which the steamships have to contend with.

It is now an easy matter to trace out the probable route of travel of the steamer which brought this letter by referring to almost any commercial map of the world. These show the steamship routes from point to point across the ocean by heavily marked connecting lines. In fact, by closely following up these "signs" shown on the envelopes from foreign countries, one soon has a very comprehensive knowledge of just where

UNITED STATES, CAPE TRIANGLES, CANADA, NEWFOUNDLAND

I have just secured some fine early stamps of these countries, which are increasingly hard to get, and offer them upon my usual terms: Cash with order, and satisfaction guaranteed. Stamps are all used unless otherwise stated. In the unused, original gum is not to be expected unless specified. Postage extra on orders under $1.00.

UNITED STATES

No.	Price
28 on cover, fine	$6.00
off cover	4.00
36 Cut into, fair only	3.50
42f o. g.	.60
50 unused, $4.50; used	.85
51 o. g., $6.00; used	3.75
51 o. g., but has a small tear lower margin	3.50
53 o. g., very fine	12.00
Another, equally fine, but without gum	10.00
53 used, fair only	8.50
52a	8.50
54 o. g., very fine	20.00
68 unused, $3.00; used	.35
69	1.25
71	1.25
72	7.50
73	.25
75	4.00
76	1.00
76a	2.50
77	1.75

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CAPE OF GOOD HOPE

No.	Price
1	$7.50
2	4.50
3, unused, but close	7.50
used	6.50
4, unused .. 9.00 used	2.25
5	6.50
5a, cut into one side	8.50
6	11.00
6a	14.00
6, fine looking, but has slight defect	5.00
7, close two sides, but a lightly cancelled and fine copy of this rarity	**60.00**
9, a very fine copy	**45.00**
10, a very fine looking copy, but with small thin spot	**30.00**
12, o. g., fine	8.00
12, used, fair, only	4.50

I have all the other 19th century Capes 60% "of" Scott's catalogue; and a few in desired; and call for the unused on want lists.

CANADA

No.	Price
1	$ 6.50
2	25.00
Another, looks fine, but is damaged	7.50
4	2.50
Another cut into	1.25
5, perfection	30.00
7, a fine copy, but no margins	12.50
Another	6.50
5, a good copy	20.00
Another, looks fine, but is damaged	7.50
8, unused, but damaged	6.50
Similar, used	4.00
9, a fine unused copy	**75.00**
9, good margins 3½ sides, cut in a little at right top	25.00
Another, good margins two sides, cut into on other two sides	15.00

No.	Unused.	Used
11, good only	15.00	
12	7.50	
Another, damaged	3.50	
14	1.50	.35
15	1.50	.45
16 or a	6.00	1.50
18	3.00	2.50
19 or a	3.50	.75
20	..	2.50
21	.50	.50
22	3.00	1.20
22a	..	4.00
23 or a	2.50	.65
24	..	.25
25 or a	4.50	.75
26 or a	2.00	.60
26b	..	3.00
27	.85	.60
27b, poor	..	5.00
31a	5.00	1.50
32	.25	.01
32a	3.00	.30
33	.45	.01
34	.75	.10
34a	3.50	.25
35	1.50	.15
36	3.00	.75
37	..	2.50
38	1.00	.10
39	1.50	.75
39a	2.50	.90
40	.06	.06
40b, unused, thin spot	..	3.50
41	2.00	.05

And all the others, unused and used, at 60% "of" Scott on the used, and special prices on the unused. Send orders, or want lists.

NEWFOUNDLAND

No.	Price
1, unused and fine	$3.50
Another, cut into one corner	2.00
1, used, close but fine	5.00
1a, unused	5.00
Another, thin spot	2.25
3, unused, fine	2.50
Used, superb	6.00
5, o. g.	2.50
8, fine color, but cut into top & thin spot	10.00
18, o. g.	.75
19, o. g.	2.25
19a, o, g.	2.50
20, o. g.	.50
21, used, good, scarce	9.50
22, o. g.	3.75
23, o. g.	1.00
24, unused, $1.50; used	1.25
24a, unused, $2.00; used	2.00

And all the rest of the 19th century, unused and used, at 60% "of" Scott. Order as needed. Many of the 20th century, also. Send want lists.

ANDREW SLEDD, DECATUR, GA

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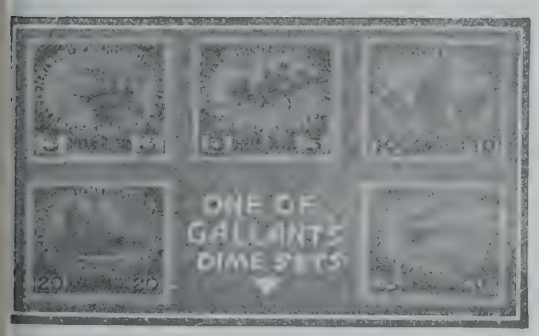

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Cayman Is., 1sh white back, Mint, No. 44 (Cat. $1.00) 45
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SAN FRANCISCO SOCIETY.

The San Francisco Stamp Society opened its new Club Room in the "Call" building on Nov. 6th. There was quite a large gathering of the members and we had two visitors, one from New Zealand and one from Philippine Islands. The society has 175 members. The secretary is Donald Piercy, 1125 Filmore Street. At this meeting we had an exhibit of U. S. Stamps, Envelopes and M. & M. Stamps. Each month there will be an exhibit of different countries. Meetings are held on the 1st Monday of each month, but members can get in the Club Room at anytime, as all are supplied with a key.

THE NOVEMBER FERRARI SALE.

Pair of Old Spanish Issue Brought $8,500 in Paris.

PARIS, Nov. 16.—One hundred and thirty thousand francs, about $8,500 at present exchange, was realized for a vertical pair of Spanish 2-real stamps of the issue of 1851, in the sale today of the fifth section of the stamp collection of the late Count Ferrari, this being the highwater mark of the opening day of the auction. The Bermuda one-penny issue of 1854, on the entire envelope, came next, bringing 30,000 francs, about $2,000, while many other rare specimens sold at from $60 to $1,000.

The purchasers paid in addition a government tax of 17½ per cent.

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EDITORIAL.

"Why do you encourage the small dealer?" is the burden of several criticisms that have come to us in the course of the dying year, just as though we were making a grievous mistake by doing so. Just a little vision is needed, lads, and it all works out well. It is not seemly to pretend that the commercial side of philately is sacrosanct or a monopolistic business around which a sacred circle is thrown; and it is folly to try to restrict it to an "as is" basis. The small dealer has always existed in proportion to the whole number of collectors, as one may show; and he will persist in being, we are glad to say. The law of progression means that it is necessary to fill the vacancies of the old dealers as they give way. The small dealer gets his training by actual dealing and it is our policy to advise him how best to equip himself for participation in the larger business that comes with time to those who prove fit. The incompetents are soon lost in the competitive struggle. The small dealer cannot be legislated out of existence and so it is indicated that he be started under conditions as favorable as possible to bring out his ability. The best dealers are made by the best collectors, in that a stamp sense gained through collecting and partly innate is a decided asset; and the successful small dealer if he continues in the business becomes a part of the fabric of commercial philately, thereby strengthening it and in some degree, all philately. Our interest in the proposition is that if the small dealers are successful, they will use advertising space in the papers but we think that if this advantage did not accrue, we should have a word of cheer for the chap who thinks he has a "call" as a stamp merchant. We could name a few of our leading dealers who but a short time ago, it seems, were small dealers who sought our advice in starting out on what proved to be their means of livelihood.

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The *New Republic* knows how to write an advertisement. In soliciting subscriptions, a task that, alas, even the most high-minded array of editorial talent cannot wish away, the business end of this "journal of opinion," makes a point in luring the lingering lucre from the reluctant by saying: "Are you a stamp and coin collector? There are seventeen journals which will keep you fully advised of the big and important things that are being done in the stamp and coin collecting world. You simply can't afford to be without one of these,—if you are a stamp collector." That is the way to ring out the bells. The *New Republic* is a liberal journal, if critical, and we wish this publication, which "is wholly devoted to the whole basis of American life," many happy returns from its advertisement.

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From Mr. W. F. Goerner, Edgewood, Rhode Island, we have received a copy of the American Almanac and Repository of Useful Knowledge for the Year 1852," and we find in the work an unusually full account of postal affairs, including an abstract of the law of 1851 that called forth our first three-cent stamps. We quote: "To facilitate prepayment of postages, the Postmaster General shall provide deputy postmasters with three-cent stamps and such others as he may deem expedient." At that time, in the postage tables was the entry: "For a letter delivered by a carrier, there is an additional charge of not exceeding one or two cents." The extension of the postal service to California and Oregon just after the gold discovery in 1849, necessitated the appointment of letter-carriers directly by the postmaster general himself and by the special agents on the ground. The special agents were empowered to contract with letter-carriers to carry mail to remote districts at a compensation that was supposed to be equitable, according to the distance and difficulty of the delivery. It was under this phase that the express companies operated successfully and hence, the official significance of the western frank that was employed by many of the more pretentious carrying agents or companies.

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We have been told that stamp collectors are rather too busy in writing the department at Washington about new and recent stamp issues and we fear that many of the inquiries are needless or perfunctory. However, it is well for collectors to remember that the post-office department disseminates as much as possible, information about its affairs, including new stamp issues, through bulletins and other mediums and that the time to answer questions that already have been answered in print is not given with any enthusiasm. In this connection, we were impressed by the following words from Mr. A. H. Pike of Buffalo, that came some time ago: "In gathering data from individuals and business concerns as well as government and postal officials, I find that they have been bothered for years by collectors. As one expressed it, 'Day after day, we get letters from different individuals but asking the same questions until we have reached the point where we cannot take the time to answer this correspondence.' During the past few years, I have had willed to me considerable material from several collectors. Among these effects were any number of letters from business men and firms answering questions of the most simple kind. This condition is not helping the opinion that business men may form of the stamp collector. Would it not be possible to have competent men elected or appointed on several important phases of philately and look to them to secure this information rather than hundreds going after it personally. I should be willing to take over anything connected with postal markings. I think that this is worth bringing out in the WEEKLY."

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In one of the "quizzes" syndicated to the large newspapers of the country, it was asked and answered: "How many engravers does it take to produce a postage stamp? In this country, two as a rule but sometimes three. One does framework; central view of portrait is done by another, and lettering is sometimes done by a third artist. Each one is a specialist in his particular branch of work."

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The "diamond jubliee"—special double number of the *Philatelic Journal of Great Britain* enterprisingly gives a fac-simile reproduction of the first page of the *Monthly Advertiser* of December 15, 1862, the first journal devoted exclusively to philately. The leading article by Fred. Booty, is headed, "The Collection of Postage Stamps," and the modest beginnings of collecting are pictured, in a sense, in the following words: "It is curious to see how much public opinion has been modified lately upon the subject of stamp collecting. Some two or three years ago, when collectors were to be numbered by units, (they are now numbered by hundreds) they were looked upon as hopelessly but harmlessly insane on the subject; and their friends and acquaintances were willing to gratify their mania."

GREAT BARRIER ISLAND.

Fifty-six miles north-east from Auckland lies the Great Barrier Island, so named by Captain Cook, by reason of it forming a barrier, for the Hauraki Gulf, against the force of the Pacific Ocean.

The interest of Great Barrier Island to philatelists lies in the fact that after the wreck of the "Wairarapa" it was felt that means of communication should be established between the island and the mainland, and late in 1896 an enterprising syndicate instituted a pigeon post.

For the first two years of operation the postage was collected in cash, but in 1898 a rival company, "The Original Great Barrier Pigeongram Service" was responsible for the issue of stamps. Although four distinct stamps were issued they were all similar in type, being oblong in shape and with a pigeon, with a letter in its beak, as the central feature.

Subsequently, under the ægis of the earlier company, "The Great Barrier Pigeon Agency," two triangular stamps of the value of 6d and 1/- were issued and certainly franked messages.

Although, owing to the private nature of the posts and the local scope of employment, these labels are not accorded catalogue rank, they are undoubtedly full of interest, more especially to collectors of air post stamps.—*Stamp Collecting.*

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88	2p violet, * ...	.10;	used	.02
89	2½p blue, * ...	.25;	used	.20
90	3p brown, *	.20;	used	.12
91	4p ochre, * ...	.25;	used	.12
92	5p blue, *	.35;	used	.15
93	6p lake, *	.35;	used	.18
94	½p green, * ...	.05;	used	.03
95	1p carm., * ...	.05;	used	.02
97	2p violet, * ...	.08;	used	.02
98	9p blue			.25
99	1sh rose & green			.50
100	1½p on 5p, * or used			.07
101	½p green, * or used			.03
102	1p carm., * ..	.04;	used	.01
103	2p violet, * ..	.12;	used	.02
105	3p brown			.10
106	4p ochre			.10
107	6p lake			.35
108	8p brown			.35
109	9p blue			.30
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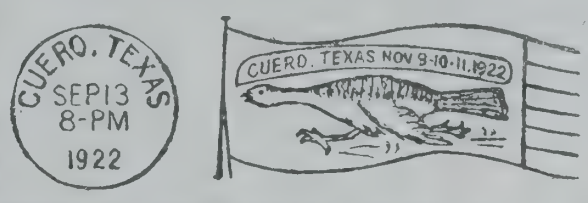

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IRISH FREE STATE VARIETIES.

By MAXWELL KRAUSE.

Probably no issue of stamps in recent years is of more interest to the great majority of stamp collectors than the issue surcharged on the stamps of Great Britain for the Irish Free State. However, I have found that very many of my customers are at a loss to properly classify the major varieties of these stamps and Scott's 1923 catalogue, instead of helping them, serves to further confuse them.

Scott's notes, on page 624, that "The date '1922' is in thick figures followed by a period on the 1½d, 2d, 6d, and 1sh." Then, in the Addenda, the catalogue proceeds to also list the ½d, 1d, 3d, 5d, 9d and 10d with 1922 in thick figures followed by a period.

The easiest way to correct this haziness of the catalogue and to enable the collector to properly classify his Irish surcharges, is to give a list of the surcharges issued.

The original issue was as follows:

½d, 1d, 1½d, 2d, 2½d, 3d, 4d, 5d, 6d, 9d, 10d, 1sh, 2sh6d, 5sh and 10sh. Surcharge in black on all values.

Of this issue beside small differences in the Gaelic surcharge, the year "1922" is in two different types as follows viz.:—

(1) Thin figures, "9" with long tail, and without period, overprinted by Dollard Printing House, Ltd.; ½d, 1d, 2½d, 3d, 4d, 5d, 9d and 10d, 2sh6d, 5sh and 10sh.

(2) Thick figures, block type, period after "1922," overprinted by A. Thom & Co., Ltd.; 1½d, 2d, 6d and 1sh.

In April the 2½d, 4d and 9d because of their dark colors, were overprinted in red by Dollard, the overprint having the same characters as Type 1 described above.

In July the ½d, 1d, 1½d and 2d were issued in coils of varying sizes by Messrs. Harrison. This overprint was very similar to Type 2, with "1922" in block letters and followed by a period. The Gaelic characters, however, were slightly larger than in the Thom overprint and can be distinguished by comparison. In addition, very many of the coil stamps have one straight edge, either at side or bottom, some of the coils being issued lengthwise and some sideways.

Following these printings, Thom & Co., began to surcharge values previously overprinted by Dollard, and so far I have received the following with the typical Thom overprint, Type 2; 3d, 5d and 10d wtih black surcharge and 2½d, 4d and 9d with red surcharge.

We have then three different overprintings as described above. There are, first, the original issue surcharged in black, 11 varieties overprinted by Dollard and four by Thom, followed by the surcharge on the 2½d, 4d and 9d being changed to red but still overprinted by Dollard. There followed four values issued in rolls or coils, overprinted by Harrison, with an overprint similar to that of Thom's but differing in the sizes of the Gaelic characters. Since then six varieties formerly overprinted by Dollard have been overprinted by Thom, with the block type date and period, and no doubt the other five values formerly surcharged by Dollard will appear with the Thom overprint.

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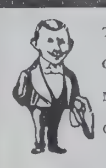

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UNITED STATES.—In my notes of last week, I chronicled the new 6c in orange with portrait of Garfield, and gave a list of the four plate numbers assigned to this denomination. It was found that the four plates could not be completed in time to get this stamp out on the anniversary of the birth of the ex-President, so that only one plate, No. 14,169, was finished and put to press, consequently the stamps placed on sale in Washington on the first day, November 20th, were from this plate.

The first sheet printed was autographed by the Postmaster General, Dr. Hubert Work, who wrote his title after his autograph and dated it the first day. We have not been informed as to details, but we believe stamps from this sheet were presented to members of the Garfield family. While in Washington I was informed that this stamp would be placed on sale at the birthplace f Garfield, which the encyclopedia informed me was Orange, Ohio. It had been my impression that his home was in Hiram, and that he was born in this town, consequently, I sent letters to postmasters in both cities regarding the subject. The Orange letter was returned from Cleveland, there being no such post-office, and I have not as yet heard from Hiram. It is therefore my impression that the stamps which were only printed in small quantities were completed at such a late date that it was impossible to place them on sale outside of Washington.

Several people have written to inquire as to why the stamp with the Roosevelt portrait is without the background, whereas the others have it. It may be of interest to our readers to be advised that the Roosevelt portrait is one of the most difficult to engrave that the Bureau has ever been called upon to place upon a stamp. The first die had the background and this not only failed to please the proper officials, but did not please Colonel Roosevelt and Mrs. Longworth, children of the late President. As a result, it was necessary to make several changes before the final die was approved. If the Department finds that they have trouble with the heavy background on the other denominations it would not be surprising to see the background removed. They are making every endeavor to present as fine a series as we have ever had, and the best skill at the command of the Bureau has been brought into play to accomplish this purpose. It seems to be the consensus of opinion that the new series is most satisfactory.

In my notes of a few weeks back, remarks were made regarding the first plate from the rotary press showing the plate number in the corners. We now have an official communication from the Bureau of Engraving and Printing stating that plate No. 13,744 was the very first plate to be so marked.

Those interested in early covers often find most unusual letters within the letter sheet to which the stamps are attached. I have been getting together covers with Washington postmarks for some little time, and recently obtained one within a circle, reading "Washn City — Mar 4" in red, the "n" in Washington being small and over a period. The date being Inauguration Day attracted my attention, and was surprised on opening the cover to find that the letter was dated 1829, and was in regard to Andrew Jackson's first inauguration. The letter is of more than usual interest and as it is short, I am reproducing it here:

"The battle's lost and won, but the hurley burley is not done—the inauguration is over and I have had the honor of seeing the ceremonies, but the greatest sight has been the throngs of people of all sorts and colours brought together from the four corners of the earth.

At the President's house (after the ceremonies at the Capitol) the people crowded to pay their respect to their new made chief, and I saw richly dressed ladies of the foreign ministers in full court dress, and Irish labourers with unshorn visages and muddy clothes and high and low and rich and poor, splendid and ragged, all mixing and crowding and squeezing and pushing. For a further description I will refer you to the newspaper * * * * * G. W. S. arrived just as the President was walking to the Capitol.".

The communication is addressed to Philadelphia and is signed by Charles Fletcher who is writing to his brother Thomas.

The Scott Stamp and Coin Co., have shown me a metered mail permit used in New York, of a 12c denomination bearing meter No. 1,444, permit No. 14. The impression is used on registered mail sent out by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company.

We wish to thank Mr. A. H. Robertson for submitting for our inspection a cover mailed from a small Virginian town, wherein two 5c green parcel post postage due stamps were used to pay the registration fee.

BERMUDA.—Mr. R. Roberts sends a copy of the ½d green, ship type, on script watermarked paper.

CAPE VERDE.—The following list of new colours, for which we have to thank Messrs. Whitfield King & Co., will be of service to readers interested in Portuguese Colonials:—1c pale green, 3c orange, 4c pink, 4½c grey, 5c blue, 6c lilac, 7c ultramarine, 12c blue-green, 15c claret, 30c green, 40c turquoise, 60c deep blue, 80c rose, 1 escudo pink, 2 escudos purple.—*Stamp Collecting.*

DANZIG.—The Economist Stamp Co. advise us of the appearance of the 6m red in the current type (Crown and Crosses) and the 20m brown in the same type. The 6m has also been surcharged "D M" in black for Official use.

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GERMAN EAST AFRICA.—Mr. Henry Hooreman advises that the Occupation stamps issued under Belgian Occupation have been further surcharged as follows: 50c, No. 106, surcharged "5c" at each side in black; 5c green, No. 101, at the top "10c" in red; 40c, No. 105, in the center "25c" in red; 10c, No. 102, "30c" at the top in black; and 25c, No. 104, in the centre "50c" in red.

HYDERABAD.—This country has issued its stamps in two types only since 1869. Simple and commonplace as the types are, these labels have attracted the attention of a fair number of collectors. Recently some important discoveries have been made, such as the coloured line missing and the character or figure 5 omitted. The *Philatelic Journal of India* now reports the discovery of the ¼a blue and ½a vermilion of 1905 in an imperforate condition.—*Stamp Collecting.*

ITALY *(Offices in Turkey).*—Mr. Pollitz of the Frank P. Brown Co., has advised us that the current 40c stamp of Italy has been overprinted "3¾ piastres" in black.

KEDAH.—Mr. R. Roberts reports the 5c orange with script watermarked paper.

NAURU.—Messrs. J. H. Smyth, Ltd., inform us that they recently had a letter from their Mauru correspondent to the effect that the projected new stamps for this phosphate island would not reach the territory until January next. It was intended to have them printed in Australia, the chief feature of the design being a palm tree, but a hitch occurred and the stamps are now being printed in England in the design of a ship.—*Stamp Collecting.*

PALESTINE.—We have received from Mr. R. Roberts the following values surcharged trilingual block type, script watermark: 1m brown, 2m yellow, 3m blue, 4m rose, 5m deep orange, 6m green, 7m pale brown, 8m red, 13m ultra, 1p grey, 2p olive, 5p purple, 9p ochre, 10p blue and 20p violet.

PERLIS.—The rumor has been revived that this Malay State is about to have its own postage stamps, but no official confirmation is forthcoming.—*Stamp Collecting.*

PORTUGAL.—Messrs. Whitfield King & Co. send us two of the new Parcel Post adhesives foreshadowed two months ago, viz.:—*Parcel Post Type of 1921, perf, 12*—5 escudos slate and 10 escudos brown. —*Stamp Collecting.*

ROUMANIA.—A further indictment of the speculators in the Coronation stamps is made in the following communication which we have received from Mr. M. A. R. Brunner, of Dresden. It will be observed that some of the details in our correspondent's letter differ from those given in our chronicle of the actual stamps:—

"In commemoration of the crowning of the King and Queen of Roumania special stamps were printed, but only 100,000 of each set. They shall circulate only fourteen days, and are consequently simply hunted by philatelists. To render them especially attractive to collectors they were not printed in Roumania, but in Munich. A curiosity is the fact that these stamps show even the Bavarian watermarks. As regards their distribution the Roumanian post officials have been first considered, and they were empowered either to keep them at the nominal price or to sell them at a fixed additional price. Although the postal price of a set of six stamps is only 12.80 lei, offers up to 200 lei were already made. It seems strange that a cultured nation rather renders their officials, who should be the backbone of a state, businessmen, speculators, etc. Besides, it is unjust, for the post officials receive their salary as any other class; there is no need for such tips, as we may call the above."—*Stamp Collecting.*

TRINIDAD.—We have received from Mr. R. Roberts the new design mentioned some few weeks ago. The values are as follows: ½d green, 1d brown, 1½d pale blue, 2d grey, 3d blue, 6d dull and bright purple, 5sh dull and bright mauve, all on script watermarked paper, and 4d grey and red on new yellow paper, old watermark, also 1sh black on emerald through old watermark. The stamps are of double design, the figure of Britannia on the left and on the right portrait of King George. Mr. Roberts also adds that he has the 1 pound value green and rose script watermark, head in the first color.

TURKEY, *Kemalista Issue.*—Mr. Pollitz of the Frank P. Brown Co., advises that he has received five values of a new set of pictorial stamps for this country.

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*5s, No. 334 ..... 1.50
*5c/10s, No. 336 .10
5c/20c, No. 338.. .20
*1c/10s, No. 339 .15
5c, No. 341 ..... .03
50c, No. 343 ..... .04

Parcel Post.
*2c, No. 402 ..... .30

Official.
*1c, No. 451 ..... .15
2c, No. 452 ..... *.13
10c, No. 454 ..... .18
20c, No. 455 ..... .43
*2c, No. 461 ..... .20
*50c, No. 465 .... 1.50
*20c, No. 471 .... 1.50
1c, No. 472 ..... .03
10c, No. 473 ..... .10
50c, No. 474 ..... .13
10c, No. 475 ..... .03

URUGUAY.

1877-99
5c, No. 40 ..... .07
10c, No. 41 ..... .07
1p, No. 43a 1.25
*1c, No. 46 ..... .15
*2c, No. 47 ..... .20
1c/10c, No. 53.... *.07
5c, No. 55 ..... .50
5c, No. 56 ..... .25
1c, No. 57 ..... .07
1c, No. 58 ..... .05
5c, No. 61 ..... .03
10c, No. 63 ..... .10
1c, No. 67 ..... .04
2c, No. 67a ..... .07
5c, No. 68 ..... .03

URUGUAY—Continued

10c, No. 70 ..... .20
5c, No. 84 ..... .06
7c, No. 105 ..... .75
1c, No. 116 ..... .04
5c, No. 117 ..... .07
2c, No. 120 ..... .04
*½c/1c, No. 135 .03
*½c/1c, No. 136 .04
*½c/2c, No. 137 .12
*½c/5c, No. 138 .12
*½c/7c, No. 139 .15
5m, No. 140 ..... .03
5m, No. 142 ..... *.02

1900-4
20c, No. 149 ..... .10
10c, No. 153 ..... .05
2c, No. 154 ..... .02
7c, No. 155 ..... *.12
10c, No. 164 ..... .05
20c, No. 165 ..... .15
25c, No. 166 ..... .10

1904 P A Z
*1c, No. 167 ..... .15
*2c, No. 168 ..... .25
*5c, No. 169 ..... .30

1906-7
5c, No. 170 ..... .02
7c, No. 172 ..... .07
50c, No. 173 ..... .20

1908 Commemorative.
1c, No. 174 ..... *.32
2c, No. 175 ..... *.40
5c, No. 176 ..... *.80

1909-10 Commem.
*2c, No. 177 ..... .30
*5c, No. 178 ..... .30
*5c, No. 183 ..... .10

1910 Provisional.
*5m/1c, No. 184 .06
5c/50c, No. 185.. *.15
*5c/50c, No. 186 .50

1910-11
5m to 5c, Nos. 187 to 190, ea. .02
8c, No. 191 ..... .03
23c, No. 193 ..... .09
50c, No. 194 ..... .10
1p, No. 195 ..... .15
5c, No. 196 ..... .10
*2c/7c, No. 197.. .65
*5c/7c, No. 198.. .20

1913 Centenario.
*2c, No. 211 ..... .10
*4c, No. 212 ..... .10
*5c, No. 213 ..... .15

1918
*2c, No. 214 ..... .10
*5c, No. 215 ..... .20

1922 Prensa.
*3c/4c, No. 381.. .05

1923 Postage Due.
*1c ..... .02
*2c ..... .04
*3c ..... .06
*5c ..... .10
*10c ..... .20

VENEZUELA.

1859-74
*½r, No. 1 ..... .50
*1r, No. 3 ..... .75
*2r, No. 4 ..... .50
*1r, No. 9 ..... .65
*2r, No. 10 ..... 1.00
*½r, No. 13 ..... .10
½r, No. 16 ..... .25
*1c, No. 20g ..... .10
½r, No. 22a ..... .06

1882-99
*5c to 50c, Nos. 54 to 57, each .02
*5c to 3b, Nos. 59 to 67, each .02
*5c to 50c, Nos. 94 to 97, each .02
3b, No. 98 ..... .50
5c to 1b, Nos. 105 to 109, ea. .02
25c, No. 118 ..... .03
*5c to 1b, Nos. 119 to 123, ea. .02
50c, No. 127 ..... .05
1b, No. 128 ..... .15

1900-10
*2b, No. 135 ..... .03
*5c to 3b, Nos. 136 to 141, ea. .02
*10b, No. 142 .... .03
*20b, No. 143 .... .05
*1b, No. 162 ..... .20
*5c, No. 167 ..... .60
*10c, No. 168 .... 1.00
*25c, No. 169 .... 1.00
*50c, No. 170 .... 1.00
*100c, No. 171.... 1.25
*1b, No. 208 ..... .06
5c, No. 209 ..... .15
10c, No. 210 ..... .15
25c, No. 211 ..... .15
50c, No. 212 ..... .15
1b, No. 213 ..... .15
*15c, No. 233 .... .03
*1b, No. 236 ..... .04
*5c to 25c, Nos. 237 to 239, ea. .02
*50c, No. 240 .... .03
*1b, No. 241 ..... .05
*3b, No. 242 ..... .08
*10b, No. 243 .... .50
*20b, No. 244 .... .75
*5c, No. 245 ..... .04
*10c, No. 246 .... .05
*25c, No. 247 .... .05
*25c, No. 249 .... .13
25c, No. 249 ..... .04
50c, No. 264 ..... .02

Official.
5c, No. 300 ..... *.02
10c, No. 301 ..... *.03
25c, No. 302 ..... *.03
*50c, No. 303 .... .10
*1b, No. 304 ..... .08
25c/1b, No. 308 *.30
5c/50c, No. 309 *.30
*5c, No. 313 ..... .03
*10c, No. 314 .... .03
25c, No. 315 ..... *.03
50c, No. 316 ..... *.06
50c, No. 321 ..... .04
1b, No. 322 ..... .05
*5c, No. 323 ..... .02
*10c, No. 324 .... .02
*25c, No. 325 .... .04
*50c, No. 326 .... .06
*1b, No. 327 ..... .10

Registration.
25c, No. 351 ..... .10
*25c, No. 352 .... .02

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1865
1c, No. 35 ..... *.35
2c, No. 36 ..... *.60
10c, No. 38 ..... .50
20c, No. 39 ..... .65
50c, No. 40 ..... 1.50
1p, No. 42 50
10c, No. 46 ..... .40
20c, No. 47 ..... 1.00
50c, No. 48 ..... 1.00
1p, No. 49 ..... .75
1p, No. 50 ..... .75
5p, No. 51 ..... 4.00
10p, No. 52 ..... 4.00

1866-81.
10c, No. 54a ..... .10
20c, No. 55 ..... .30
*50c, No. 56 ..... .65
5c, No. 62 ..... *.20
25c, No. 63 ..... .75
10p, No. 65 ..... 1.00
*1c, No. 66 ..... .30
1c, No. 67 ..... *.25
*2c, No. 68 ..... .30
10c, No. 69 ..... .20
5c, No. 73 ..... .10
10c, Nos. 74-a, ea. .13
10c, No. 74b ..... .25
20c, No. 75 ..... .20
5p, No. 78 ..... 1.75
10p, No. 79 ..... .50
10c, No. 81 ..... .40
25c, No. 89 .....*2.00
50c, No. 91 ..... 2.00
1p, No. 92 ..... .50
10c, No. 94 ..... .20
20c, No. 95 ..... .20
1p, No. 97 ..... 1.50

1881-89.
20c, No. 108 ..... .20
*1c, No. 109 ..... .15
5c, No. 111 ..... .13
5c, Nos. 114-a, ea. .08
10c, No. 115 ..... .20
*1c, No. 116 ..... .08
2c, No. 117 ..... *.10
10c, No. 119 ..... .08
20c, No. 120 ..... *.20
50c, No. 122 ..... .30
1p, No. 123 ..... .50
10p, No. 126 ..... 1.50
*10p, No. 128 .... 1.50
10c, No. 132 ..... .13
1p, No. 136 ..... .25
*1p, No. 137 ..... 1.00
5p, No. 139 ..... *.65
10p, No. 140 ..... .75
*20c, No. 141 .... .10

1890-99
1c, No. 142 ..... .05
*2c, No. 143 ..... .05
10c, No. 146 ..... .04
1c, No. 148 ..... *.02
2c, No. 150 ..... *.03
10c, No. 152 ..... .03
20c, No. 153 ..... *.04
*50c, No. 154 .... .08
*1p, No. 155 ..... .08
5p, No. 156 ..... .22
10p, No. 157 ..... *.25
*20c, No. 160 .... .13
1c, No. 162 ..... *.03
5c, No. 163 ..... .02
10c, No. 164 ..... .05
*50c, No. 166 .... .05

1900-4
*1c, No. 175 ..... .02
*2c, No. 176 ..... .02
1c, No. 177 ..... *.03
*2c, No. 178 ..... .04
*5c, No. 179 ..... .10
*5c, No. 181 ..... .10
10c, No. 182 ..... *.10
*20c, No. 183 .... .10
2c, No. 184 ..... .03
10c, No. 187 ..... *.03
*10c, No. 191 .... .05
20c, No. 205 ..... *.04

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1903-4 Imperforate.
*5c, No. 209 ..... .06
*5c, No. 210 ..... .15
*50c, No. 211 .... .04
*50c, No. 211a .. .05
*50c, No. 212 .... .10
*50c, No. 212a .. .10
*50c, No. 213 .... .20
*50c, No. 214 .... .15
*50c, No. 214a .. .15
*50c, No. 215 .... .10
1p, No. 216 ..... *.05
1p, No. 217 ..... *.05
1p, No. 218 ..... *.10
5p, No. 220 ..... *.20
*5p, No. 221 ..... .15
*5p, No. 222 ..... .25
*10p, No. 223 .... .20
10p, No. 224 ..... *.20
*2c to 20c, Nos. 266 to 270, ea. .02
50c, No. 271 ..... *.10
1p, No. 272 ..... *.06
*4c to 20c, Nos. 284 to 287, ea. .03

1904 Pelure Paper.
½c, No. 303 ..... .12
1c, No. 304 ..... .10
2c, No. 306 ..... .05
5c, No. 307 ..... .08
10c, No. 308 ..... *.15

1904-18
10c, No. 318 ..... .05
20c, No. 319 ..... .10
50p, No. 323 ..... 2.00
100p, No. 324 .... 2.00
10c, No. 329 ..... .05
20c, No. 330 ..... .15
½c, No. 331 ..... .03
1c, No. 332 ..... *.03
2c, No. 333 ..... .03
20c, No. 336 ..... .35
1p, No. 337 ..... 1.50
½c/20c, No. 351 .50
3c/10c, No. 352 .63
3c/10c, No. 356 .50

Registration.
10c, No. 610 ..... *.25
10c, No. 613 ..... .06
10c, No. 614 ..... .06
10c, No. 626 ..... .25
10c, No. 627 ..... .08
10c, No. 629 .....*2.50
10c, No. 631 06

Receipt.
*5c, No. 651 ..... .25
5c, No. 652 ..... *.08
*10c, No. 653 .... .05
*10c, No. 654 .... .05

ANTIOQUIA.

1869-85
2½c, No. 5 ..... *.60
5c, No. 7 ..... *.63
*10c, No. 8 ..... 1.00
*20c, No. 9 ..... 1.00
1p, No. 10 ..... 1.50
*1c, No. 12 ..... 1.00
*5c, No. 13 ..... 1.50
*10c, No. 14 ..... 3.00
20c, No. 15 .....*1.25
50c, No. 16 ..... *.40
*1p, No. 17 ..... .50
2p, No. 18 .....*1.00
*1c, No. 29 ..... .20
2½c, No. 29 ..... *.60
5c, No. 33 ..... 1.00
10c, No. 35 ..... 4.50
2½c, No. 37 ..... .45
5c, No. 37a ..... *.50
5c, No. 38 ..... .75
5c, No. 38a 1.00
20c, No. 43 ..... .50
*1c, No. 45 ..... .30
5c, No. 47 ..... .50
1c, No. 48 ..... *.50
*1c, No. 49 ..... .50
*2½c, No. 50 .... 1.50
5c, No. 51 ..... .40

1886-99
*1c, No. 55 ..... .10
2½c, No. 56 ..... *.10
5c, No. 57 ..... *.30
10c, No. 58 ..... *.39
*20c, No. 59 ..... .30
*1p, No. 62 ..... .50
*2p, No. 63 ..... .75
*2½c, No. 65 .... .10
5c, No. 66 ..... *.25
5c, No. 67 ..... *.60
10c, No. 68 ..... .20
*5c, No. 71 ..... .50
*2½c, No. 72 .... .75
*1c, No. 73 ..... .04
*2½c, No. 74 .... .06
5c, No. 75 ..... *.08
20c, No. 78 ..... .38
*50c, No. 79 ..... .75
50c, No. 80 ..... .50
*2½c, No. 84 .... .25
*5c, No. 85 ..... .25
1c, No. 89 ..... *.10
2½c, No. 90 ..... .08
*1c, No. 93 ..... .04
*2½c, No. 94 .... .08
5c, No. 95 ..... .03
*10c, No. 96 ..... .05
*3c, No. 99 ..... .05
5c, No. 100 ..... *.05
*10c, No. 101 .... .15
5c, No. 110 ..... *.04
*3c, No. 120 ..... .03
*50c, No. 125 .... .03
*1p, No. 126 ..... .05
*2p, No. 127 ..... .08

1902-4
1c, No. 131 ..... *.03
*2c, No. 132 ..... .03
3c to 10c, Nos. 133 to 136, ea. *.02
*20c, No. 137 .... .04

ANTIOQUIA—Continued

30c, No. 138 ..... *.05
40c, No. 139 ..... *.05
50c, No. 140 ..... .08
1p, No. 141 ..... .30
2c, No. 144 ..... .03
*5c, No. 146 ..... .05
10c, No. 147 ..... .05
50c, No. 151 ..... .05
2p, No. 153 ..... .15
3p No. 154 ..... *.20
5p, No. 156 ..... .25
10p, No. 157 ..... .75

Registration.
*2½c, No. 251.... .30
*2½c, No. 252.... .30
*10c, No. 254 .... .05
*10c, No. 255 .... .05

Medellin.
*20c, No. 401 .... .04
*40c, No. 402 .... .06
*20c, No. 404 .... 1.50
*20c, No. 407 .... .05
*50c, No. 408 .... .06
*$1, No. 411 ..... .06

BOLIVAR.

1863-78
*1p, No. 3 ..... .50
10c, No. 5 ..... .65
5c, No. 8 ..... 1.00
10c, No. 10 ..... *.25

1879 White Wove.
*5c, No. 11 ..... .09
*5c, No. 11a ..... .10
10c, No. 12 ..... *.05
*20c, No. 13 ..... .09
*20c, No. 13a 2.50
*40c, No. 14 ..... .20

1879 Bluish Laid.
*5c, No. 15 ..... .08
*5c, No. 15a ..... .50
*10c, No. 16 ..... .38
*10c, No. 16a .... .60
*20c, No. 17 ..... .13
*20c, No. 17a .... .60
*40c, No. 18 ..... .25
*40c, No. 18a .... .60

1880 White Wove.
5c, No. 19 ..... *.09
*5c, No. 19a ..... .13
10c, No. 20 ..... *.09
20c, No. 21 ..... *.08
*20c, No. 21a 2.50
40c, No. 22 ..... *.13
80c, No. 23 ..... *.63
*1p, No. 24 ..... .75

1880 Bluish Laid.
*5c, No. 25 ..... .08
*20c, No. 27 ..... .18
*40c, No. 28 ..... .25

1882
5c, No. 29 ..... *.08
10c, No. 30 ..... *.05
20c, No. 31 ..... *.08
40c, No. 32 ..... *.08
80c, No. 33 ..... *.25

1883
5c, No. 37 ..... *.05
10c, No. 38 ..... *.05
20c, No. 39 ..... *.08
40c, No. 40 ..... *.10
80c, No. 41 ..... *.30
1p, No. 42 ..... *.38
1884
5c, No. 43 ..... *.08
10c, No. 44 ..... *.05
*20c, No. 45 ..... .05
20c, No. 45 ..... .08
40c, No. 46 ..... *.10
80c, No. 47 ..... *.20
1p, No. 48 ..... *.30
1885
5c, No. 49 ..... *.05
10c, No. 50 ..... *.05
*20c, No. 51 ..... .05
20c, No. 51 ..... .08
40c, No. 52 ..... *.08
*80c, No. 53 ..... .20
*1p, No. 54 ..... .38
1891
1c, No. 55 ..... *.03
5c, No. 56 ..... .08
1p, No. 60 ..... .25
1903
*1p, No. 77 ..... .40
*5p, No. 78 ..... .35
*5p, No. 79 ..... .35
10p, No. 85 ..... *.40
20c, No. 91 ..... *.15
*20c, No. 154 .... .15
20c, No. 204 ..... *.30

BOYACA.

1903
*10c, No. 4 ..... .10
20c, No. 5 ..... *.13
*5p, No. 8 ..... .40
5p, No. 8 ..... .25
10c, No. 10 ..... *.10
*20c, No. 11 ..... .13
*50c, No. 12 ..... .12
1p, No. 14 ..... *.06
*1p, No. 15 ..... .50
5p, No. 16 ..... .35
*10p, No. 17 ..... .35

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*10c, No. 19 ..... .50
20c, No. 20 ..... .70

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1884-99
*1c, No. 1 ..... .20
5c, No. 2 ..... .18
10c, No. 3 ..... *.40
5c, No. 5 ..... *.10
10c, No. 6 ..... *.15
1c, No. 7 ..... *.08
5c, No. 8 ..... .30
10c, No. 9 .....*1.25
*1c, No. 10 ..... .10
5c, No. 11 ..... *.30
10c, No. 12 ..... *.25
5c, No. 13 ..... .20
5c, No. 14 ..... *.25
10c, No. 15 ..... .33
*1c, No. 16 ..... .05
1904-5
*10c, No. 24 ..... .06
*20c, No. 25 ..... .06
*50c, No. 26 ..... .06
1p, No. 27 ..... *.06
*½c/50c, No. 72b .50

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1870-95
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10c, No. 10 ..... 1.50
50c, No. 11 .....*2.00
5c, No. 14 ..... *.10
10c, No. 15 ..... *.15
*20c, No. 28 ..... .75
*25c, No. 29 ..... .50
*50c, No. 38 ..... .40
*1p, No. 39 ..... .40
5c, No. 47 ..... 2.50
25c, No. 50 ..... 1.00
*1c, No. 66 ..... .13
5c, No. 68 ..... *.05
*1p, No. 71 ..... .50
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For R. R. T.

Age may creep on apace, but the love of the old gods sometimes remains to the end. It was so with John Moreton, that gentle, just, and manliest of men. When I first knew him as a boy, he was the soul of simplicity and directness and altogether lovableness of character,—sincere and upright in everything. He was a man garbed in the life of a boy. Perhaps this could be attributed to the fact that he was the son of a jurist eminent in his profession, who, in turn traced his lineage to lawyers and jurists and barristers and solicitors. We called him "Judge" or "Old John," in those days. He always seemingly enjoyed the appellation, which was never intended derisively. It was just boy.

When schooldays ended, I drifted, naturally, into newspaper work. John Moreton entered the University, and in due time was graduated in law. We met occasionally, and, when a stamp collectors' club was formed in our home city, we were importuned to join. John was twenty-seven, then, and I a year older. He had recently married a charming woman,—a school-girl friend whom I recalled always as very like John in sweetness of character and gentleness of breeding. The stamp club flourished and gained new life from the acquisition of younger members. I drifted away, finally, and John followed shortly after. We thought we were getting too old!

Twenty-five years is not long, in retrospect: but how endless the years seem ahead! I had gone into the woods, and later lived on the ranges of the far west. The free life appealed to me more than I would acknowledge even to myself. I appreciated the freedom. but recalled the separation when a letter came to me up on the range from my old friend. He wrote delightfully of the old days, and all they meant to us. Then he asked a favor. He had a son of twenty, whose health was none too robust. Would it be possible for me to find a place where he and the boy might stay for a year? His wife, he said, had gone the long road a year before.

Mails were slow for me, and I wired John to come on with the boy. A week later I was summoned into town. They had arrived. I sent my name to their room,—it was evening,—and followed. Dear old John! I scarcely knew him. He looked an old man, worn and stricken. The light was still in his eyes, and all the old gentleness. When he gathered me into his arms, as if I were a child, I felt the tears on my face. He sat beside me, and held my hand like any woman. The years were as naught to us. How long we sat there I do not know. It seemed minutes to us, yet when we rose there was silence in the streets, and the moon was waning.

"My boy is not well," John finally said, huskily. "He is so very like Nelly that I am fearful he could not last the eastern winter. I wanted to get away, and I thought I'd come into the southwest. Junior —you know he is also 'John,' but we alled him Junior—seemed anxious and willing to come with me."

The boy came into the room. He was tall and slight, with his father's gray eyes and his mother's sensitive mouth and chin. He spoke quietly, listlessly, almost. His father, I noticed, watched the boy almost calculatingly. I felt the sense of chill. There must be reason for this charming deference yet total lack of cordiality.

Six months on the range made Junior into a new boy-man. He gained poise and self-control. He learned to ride and to shoot. The boys all liked him. He was natural and unaffected. His quickness of action one day probably saved the life of a cowboy, who, thereafter, became his devoted friend. This cowboy slept one afternoon in the open. A diamond-back had coiled in the hollow of his arm, for warmth. Junior saw the snake, and sat his horse motionless. The cowboy, wide awake, then, lay quiet. The perspiration ran off his face.

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The Season of 1922-23 promises to be the biggest and best in the history of stampdom, regardless of the pessimistic reports to the contrary which have been handed around from time to time by some of the less progressive element. It seems to give many dealers a lot of pleasure to swap hard-luck stories. But the live wire, the go-gettem-type, is working hard and saying nothing, using his energies to boost instead of to knock—and making money. During the past few years, we have had the pleasure of supplying initial stocks to many who were new in the stamp business. It is a tribute to this concern and to the service which it has rendered, that 90% of this trade is still with us. Many have passed forever the "beginners" stage; some are devoting their entire time to stamps, and earning a good living; all are "making good" in every sense of the word. A few months ago, we published a testimonial from C. B. Moseley of the Fenway Stamp Co. A number of "doubters" disbelieved and wrote to Mr. Moseley for confirmation. He not only replied in the affirmative, but also stated that his business had increased over 100% since his letter was published, necessitating the employment of two clerks. The above results were obtained from a $500 investment, plus our help and good judgment of his own.

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The cow-pony snorted. The snake raised its head and sounded the alarm, watching the horseman. Junior raised his six-shooter twice before he could steady his hand. The cowboy's eyes never left the boy's face. There was a flash, a roar, and the cowboy was ten feet away. Junior was crying like a child and shaking as if with ague. Junior had shot the head off the snake, but the cowboy had started to leap when he saw Junior's hand touch the trigger. The boy and his friend rode into camp. Junior never said a word, but Bill told the tale up and down the range.

John and I sat on the porch of the ranch-house. Neither had spoken for a half hour. As the shadows grew long, John broke the silence.

"You have noticed," he began, slowly, "that Junior avoids me. He treats me with all the deference due a father. But that is all. He has reason. You may know that he always calls me 'father,' and never 'Dad,'—never by any manner does he forget that courtesy accorded to an almost a stranger. And I am blameworthy."

John was silent for a few minutes. Then he resumed:

"You know how we collected stamps,—Junior and I. We love them still, I am sure. It was always my dream to have a collection for Junior when he was old enough to appreciate. His interest, from eight years to twelve, however, was mainly in books, and his collection of stamps, in a little old home-made album, was rudimentary. Yet the boy loved it, and its hundred or so stamps were treasures to him. The day he was twelve I brought home a new album, and some four or five hundred stamps of the nineteenth century issues, which I had carefully mounted for him. This was to be the beginning of a real collection. When I went into the house, Junior was not in the room. His mother had been crying. She told me Junior had been saucy in his answers to her. This was unlike the lad, and I went to his room to talk with him. He would not speak to me. I was angry. In my nervousness I picked up his little boyish stamp album. As I held it in my hands, I asked him again to explain his conduct. He did not reply.

"Then I tore his album in two, threw the pieces on the floor, and left the room. Nelly was waiting for me. I told her what I had done.

"'You should not have done that, John,' was all she said. I realized the folly of it. Together we went to Junior's room. He was on the floor, beside the torn parts of his album, crying in great sobs. I tried to take him in my arms. He drew away. Then he turned to his mother.

"'Oh, mother! mother! I didn't say it, —it was in the book,— and I only read it out!'

"I tiptoed out of the room. An hour later, Nellie came to me. It seems Junior was reading. The passage was one of dear Charles Lamb's essays. Junior did not mean to be impertinent. He read the passage, in reply to a question from his mother, and then was about to explain. Pride restrained him. When I went into his room, the boy had been weeping and sobbing. He could not speak to me without betraying the fact and he wanted to tell me everything. I was out of sympathy, and the result was this thing of awful cruelty on my part.

"We never talked of stamps again. Junior, after that day, never called me 'Dad'. I was always 'Father' to him. Our old friendship and intimacy were dead. Then Nellie was taken suddenly with heart-failure and died in ten minutes."

Dear old John sat with bowed head. I could not speak. He resumed:

"All the long years I have yearned over my boy. I have tried to aid him in every way. The barrier remains. He doesn't know that I know, and I cannot tell him. All I can do is to await the day. I am certain, when he is older—perhaps ten or twenty years from now—he will understand,—when he has children of his own. I can wait."

The next day it rained. And the next. And for three days after that the rain came down in steady streams. The boys holed up, and played cards, and told stories, and read the old magazines, finding especial joy in the yarns of western life, written by men and women who had gained their knowledge from car windows or who had perhaps never been outside of New York. It was joy for the boys!

And then Junior dragged out an old copy of MEKEEL'S which the boys proceeded to read to tatters. There was a

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53	3c Bright Rose	.10	.02	.01
54	5c Deep Blue	.35	.22	.18
55	6c Yellow Brown	1.75	1.75	1.45
56	8c Dark Violet	.50	.45	.40
57	10c Brown Violet	.65	.50	.42
58	15c Steel Blue	1.00	.70	.55
59	20c Vermilion	1.00	.70	.55
60	50c Ultramarine	1.15	.50	.40
61	$1.00 Lake	2.00	1.50	1.25
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	1897 Maple Leaf Issue			
66	½c Black	.04	.04	.03
67	1c Blue Green	.06	.02	.01
68	2c Purple	.08	.02	.01
69	3c Carmine	.08	.02	.01
70	5c Dark Blue	.15	.06	.05
71	6c Brown	.45	.37	.30
72	8c Orange	.32	.13	.10
73	10c Brown Violet	.85	.75	.65
	1898 Numeral Issue			
74	½c Black	.02	.02	.01
75	1c Gray Green	.02	.01	.01
76	2c Purple	.07	.01	.01
77	3c Carmine	.07	.01	.01
78	5c Blue	.22	.08	.06
79	6c Brown	1.00	.60	50
80	8c Orange	.65	.35	.30
81	10c Brown Violet	.40	.11	.09
	1898-1902 Issues			
82	2c Lavender & Carmine	.06	.04	.03
83	2c Light Green	.06	.04	.03
83	2c Dark Green	.06	.04	.03
84	2c on 3c Carmine	.08	.05	.04
85	2c on 3c Carmine	.08	.05	.04
86	2c Carmine	.04	.01	.01
87	20c Olive Green	..	.50	.40
88	7c Olive Yellow	..	.18	.14
	1903 King Edward Issue			
89	1c Gray Green	.02	.01	.01
90	2c Carmine	.04	.01	.01
90a	2c Carmine Imperf.	.07	.07	.06
91	5c Blue	.09	.01	.01
92	7c Olive Bistre	.22	.04	.03
93	10c Brown Lilac	..	.05	.04
94	20c Olive Green	..	.18	.15
95	50c Purple	..	.50	.40
	1908 Quebec Tercentenary Issue			
96	½c Dark Brown	.03	.03	.02
97	1c Blue Green	.05	.03	.02
98	2c Carmine	.06	.02	.01
99	5c Dark Blue	.18	.15	.12
100	7c Olive Green	.20	.15	.12
101	10c Dark Violet	.45	.32	.27
102	15c Red Orange	.45	.32	.27
103	20c Yellow Brown	.60	.50	.42
	1912 King George Issue			
104	1c Dark Green	.02	.01	.01
104c	1c Perf. 8 Vert.	.08	.03	.02
105	2c Carmine	.03	.01	.01
105a	2c Perf. 8 Vert.	.10	.02	.01
105	2c Hairline	..	.40	.35
106	5c Dark Blue	.10	.01	.01
107	7c Bistre	.12	.01	.01
108	10c Plum	.18	.02	.01
109	20c Olive Green	.25	.05	.04
110	50c Black Brown	.60	.09	.07
	1917-22 Issues			
111	3c Confederation	.08	.03	.02
112	3c Brown	.04	.01	.01
112a	3c Perf. 8 Vert.	.05	.02	.01
113	1c Yellow	.02	.01	.01
113a	1c Perf. 8 Vert.	.03	.02	.01
114	2c Yellow Green	.03	.01	.01
114a	2c Perf. 8 Vert.	.04	.02	.01
115	5c Violet	.07	.01	.01
116	10c Blue	.13	.02	.01
117	4c Olive Bistre	.06	.02	.01
	1906 Postage Due Stamps			
226	1c Violet	.02	.01	.01
227	2c Violet	.04	.01	.01
228	5c Violet	.10	.02	.01
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251a	2c Vermilion	.50	.13	.10
252	2c Scarlet	.65	.20	.17
253	5c Yellow Green	.25	.04	.03
253a	5c Blue Green	.75	.08	.06
253	5c Dark Green	.25	.04	.03
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260	10c Blue Green	.25	.08	.05
261	20c Carmine	.25	.15	.10
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304	1c Green	.04	.01	.01
305	2c Carmine	.06	.02	.01
306	3c Carmine Die 1	.10	.01	.01
306a	3c Carmine Die 2	..	.30	.20
306b	3c Perf. 8 Vert.	.12	.04	.03
306c	3c Perf. 12x8	.10	.04	.03
307	3c Brown Die 2	.06	.01	.01
307a	3c Brown Die 1	..	.75	.60
307b	3c Perf. 8 Vert. Die 1	.40	.15	.12
307c	3c Perf. 8 Vert. Die 2	..	.04	.03
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5c	Blue, 2nd Issue	.18	.12	.09
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32	3c Blue	..	1.15	.95
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44	½c Rose Red	.15	.17	13
45	1c Deep Green	.15	.17	.13
45a	1c Gray Green	.35	.17	.13
46	2c Red Orange	.15	.15	.11
47	3c Amber Brown	1.35	.50	.40
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49	10c Black	1.25	1.25	1.00
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51	3c Slate	.65	.07	.06
52	3c Gray Lilac	.45	.07	.06
52a	3c Brown Lilac	.60	.12	.10
52b	3c Lilac	.40	.12	.10
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52e	5c Bright Blue	.55	.32	.27
53	6c Carmine Lake	.45	.45	.40
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56	1c Brown	.45	.22	.17
57	1c Green	.55	.30	.25
58	2c Green	.45	.45	.37
59	3c Deep Blue	.75	.75	.65
60	3c Violet Brown	.60	.60	.50
	1897 Jubilee Issue			
61	1c Deep Green	.13	.13	.11
62	2c Carmine Lake	.13	.13	.11
63	3c Ultramarine	.13	.08	.06
64	4c Olive Green	.14	.13	.11
65	5c Violet	.14	.13	.11
66	6c Red Brown	.13	.12	.10
67	8c Red Orange	.22	.22	.18
68	10c Black Brown	.35	.32	.27
69	12c Dark Blue	.35	.32	.27
70	15c Scarlet	.35	.35	.30
71	24c Gray Violet	.60	.55	.50
72	30c Slate	.80	.80	.70
73	35c Red	.85	.85	.75
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79	2c Orange	.18	.12	.10
80	½c Olive Green	.02	.02	.01
81	1c Yellow Green	.05	.02	.01
81a	1c Deep Green	.06	.02	.01
82	2c Vermilion	.06	.02	.01
83	3c Orange	.07	.03	.02
84	5c Blue	.12	.06	.05
85	4c Violet	.18	.15	.12
86	2c Rose Carmine	.10	.02	.01
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87b	1c Perf. 12x14½	.20	.10	.08
88	2c Carmine	.15	.10	.08
88a	2c Carm., Perf. 12x14½	.18	.04	.03
89	3c Brown Olive	.40	.40	.35
90	4c Dull Violet	..	.40	.35
91	5c Ultramarine	..	.40	.35
91a	5c Ultram. Perf. 12x14½	.20	.12	.09
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105	2c Carmine	.03	.01	.01
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Like many another European country, Norway has passed through her political troubles, but her great "revolution" when she severed her union with Sweden was a bloodless one, and, like her stamps, an ever-living credit to the land of the "Midnight Sun." Only in that year, 1905, did she have a "war" issue, when the three high value stamps bearing the portrait of King Oscar of Sweden were withdrawn, and a plate of the first "post-horn" issue specially reprinted in a new colour, was used to do duty for the three withdrawn values, by means of surcharging.

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the same gauge perforating machines, when the Central printers installed a new machine perforating 12½x13½, but the old gauge of 13½x14½ was reverted back again to under the new contractor.

The first notable revision of the design was on the change of currency to a decimal unit from the old Teuton-Scandinavian Skilling—of a nominal value of a halfpenny, sou, or American cent—in 1877, from which year the design has been exclusively used for the öre values. On only four further occasions during those 45 years has the design received further modification, in each a trifling alteration, which in other countries than Norway, merely demands catalogue rank as minor varieties in smaller font, and italic lettered numbers.

Twice there was a change of lettering in the inscriptions, and twice a change of shading of the rings of the posthorn.

Three values have been changed in colour no less than three times each, the 5ö blue, green and brown; 12ö green. brown and purple; and the 20ö brown, blue and green. As with the 10 and 15ö and 40ö, other values have been recently changed or will be changed in colour to conform with the new U. P. U. rates, but otherwise, for 45 years, the other values remained in the same parent colours, if in very varying shades.

The 1ö has been grey-brown and stone shades; the 2ö various brown shades; 3ö yellow-orange to deep orange; 10ö pale rose to deep crimson, with once an aniline rose-red; 25ö shades of mauve; 50ö clarets; and the 60ö various colours of blue.

Minor varieties of lettering have occurred in the 1, 5, 10, 20 and 25ö values, as no stop after postfrim, small upper case "I" for the numeral "1", and small upper case "N" in Norge. Right through the issues the watermark of the ubiquitous posthorn has been religiously observed, though the paper used has variously differed in thicknesses from thin hard to a very thick, almost "carton" paper used for a short period during 1917-19. Odd values have been issued imperforate or partly imperforate in error, and the 10ö had been issued in late years with imperforate "vertical" sides in rolls for use in auto machines.

Thus the "simple life" collector may restrict his collection of Norway (1872-1922) to no more than 13 stamps; the general collector to some 100 varieties, while the specialist may easily treble that number in single stamps of shades and minor varieties.

Previously the record was held by the 5d large square stamp of New South Wales, which had a record existence of design of 56 years—1856-1912—and, of course, as a single stamp it still holds, but the record for a "whole" set of stamps in one design belongs solely t Norway. Other records are the Frenc postage dues, 1882; Great Britain 1c 1840-81; Austria Newspaper "Mercury, 1867-1900; Swedish Officials, 1874-1910 Belgian Parcels Post, 1882-1914; an Swiss and Dutch Postage Dues.

No wonder a visitor just back fror a Norwegian trip among the Fjords re marked to me, "Why, they have th same stamps in Norway as when I ha my first trip to Bergen forty years ago I should think that Norwegian stamp are not very popular with stamp col lectors, since they have no new ones? But aren't they?—*Philatelic Magazine.*

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The recent political campaign resulted in many surprises throughout the country and particularly in New Jersey, where both of the major parties made unusual efforts to elect their candidates. In the Fifth Congressional District where the present Republican Congressman, Ernest R. Ackerman, was running for re-election, the Democratic deluge signally failed to accomplish its purpose, and Mr. Ackerman, whose name is familiar to many philatelists, was re-elected by a substantial majority.

One of the most interesting features of the campaign in that District was the use Mr. Ackerman made of a powerful weapon which his knowledge of philately placed in his hands, and since the famous Tea Party held in Boston Harbor more than a hundred and fifty years ago, it is doubtful if stamps have played such a conspicuous part in connection with American politics.

A few months ago Mr. Ackerman obtained from a person in Philadelphia an envelope which contained a letter from Russia. The postage on the letter was paid by many sheets of Russian stamps, one hundred in each sheet, which when folded together, back to back, made a double strip of stamps fifteen and one-half feet in length, or counting each side, a strip six inches wide and thirty-one feet long. As the strip was folded and refolded to conform to the size of the letter, the whole made a package which bears a striking resemblance to an accordion.

In all, the postage on this letter was paid by 1,625 stamps; each of the denomination of 250 rubles, making a total face-value of 406,250 rubles. Before the world war this number of rubles would have equalled $207,137.50 in United States currency. However, at the time the letter was sent, they were only sufficient to pay the equivalent of fifteen American cents worth of postage.

During the campaign Mr. Ackerman exhibited this Russian cover more than twenty-five times at various places in his tour of the counties of Morris and Union, which comprise the Fifth New Jersey District. No matter how large the room in which he was speaking happened to be, no one in the audience had any difficulty in seeing the "accordion" letter and in visualizing the enormous depreciation in the value of a Russian ruble which it so graphically represented. Mr. Ackerman used the letter to illustrate what he believed might happen to the United States if ever the American people permitted Bolshevism or unsound economic theories to obtain a foothold, his argument being that the great depreciation in the value of Russian money, as shown by the number of rubles required to carry a letter, followed the advent of a Government which had assumed the absolutely erroneous idea that to start the printing presses turning out money would add to the country's wealth, despite the fact that there was no corresponding reserve in the Treasury to back up the paper money.

In Morristown, where Washington's headquarters were situated for a time during the Revolutionary War, and which is the county seat of Morris County, the four hundred odd thousand ruble cover was particularly effective and many were the requests for a personal inspection of the letter after the meetings, and a large banking institution, in an important metropolitan center, has made a request for a loan of the letter for the purpose of driving home a needed lesson in that community.

Morris County gave Mr. Ackerman a majority of 5,505 votes. Union County added 5,600 more, making his majority in excess of eleven thousand over his Democratic opponent.

This election is the third in which Mr. Ackerman has been the choice of the people of the Fifth New Jersey District to represent them in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States. Previously he was elected for two terms as State Senator from Union County in the New Jersey Legislature. During his service there he was made President of the Senate and as such became Acting Governor on a number of occasions when Woodrow Wilson, then Governor of New Jersey, was absent from the state.

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Mr. Ackerman is a Life Member of the American Philatelic Association, the American Numismatic Society and of the Collectors Club of New York.

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PHILATELY IN ARITHMETIC

A Book-Review.

By STEPHEN G. RICH.

Arithmetical Essentials. Books 1, 2 and 3. By J. Andrew Drushel, Margaret Noonan, and John W. Withers. New York, Lyons and Carnahan, 1921 and 1922.

In many respects aside from philatelic interest this series of arithmetical textbooks for grades 3 to 8 of the schools is a remarkable achievement, by a group of able St. Louis school people. The outstanding educational features are the elimination of all material that has only traditional reason for being taught, the introduction of chapters on practical topics (such as using checks, actual procedures in buying at stores, receipts, postal savings, problems on health and accident-prevention, graphs, etc.), and the use of problems dealing with matters of interest and direct value to the pupils.

Under this last head the authors have recognized the fact that most children go through a stage in which they begin to collect stamps. They utilize this interest in three places in the third and fourth grades' work. There are two pages of stamp-collecting problems in subtraction in the third-grade work; two pages on buying stamps at the post-office in the work on division in the third-grade work; and one page on stamp-collecting in treating multiplication in the fourth grade.

This is a most welcome beginning, and we hope that when the authors revise their work they will go further in introducing stamp-collecting problems. We might mention that the "thrift" side of philately could easily be used in the eighth-grade chapter on thrift; that the comparison between the increase of money at interest and the growth of a stamp-collection in value would be a worth-while addition to the material on interest in the eighth grade; and that under percentage in the various places where it is taken up the percentages of U. S., foreign, Britsh Colonial, and other sorts of stamps in collections would make desirable problems.

The educational value of philately is in the Drushel-Noonan-Withers arithmetic recognized for the first time by the teaching profession. It now remains for some person or group of persons to work out more in detail the applicability and methods of application to other subjects. The present writer, in 1919, tried getting eighth grade boys to write compositions or make talks before the class about their collections: it worked well as a motive for getting good English used.

We shall, however, have to beware of one fallacy in the educational treatment of philately. The impression is being given that philately "teaches neatness, order, application, system, etc." The plain truth is that such things cannot be taught as such or in general. They are specific groups of habits for each specific group of activities. You cannot teach a boy neatness in his stamp album and expect it to transfer to his copybooks or to keeping his clothes in order. Human nature is not built that way. Nor can "observation" in general be taught through stamp-collecting any more than it can be taught through botany or chemistry. The stamp collector learns to observe stamps carefully, and that is all.

Let us dodge this obstacle and wish Miss Noonan, Mr. Drushel, and Dr. Withers all success with the books that have put philately on the educational map—and let us wish that they may go further with the good work.

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SOUTH AMERICAN LETTER.

By A. H. Davis.

Argentine.—Recently a firm of stamp dealers, acting on behalf of a client, ordered a collection of 5,000 stamps from Germany, the value of which was declared to be two pesos gold, approximately 8sh. In view of the low value placed on this collection the Customs authorities decided to purchase it at above price plus 10 per cent. interest, and justified their action in accordance with Article 34 of Law 810.

The firm in question brought an action for the recovery of the goods, but the case has been decided against them and they have been mulcted in costs. The affair has occasioned much comment in local philatelic circles, and it is difficult to see what right the Customs had in acting as they did, as neither postage stamps nor albums are liable to import duties. Had they been ordinary merchandise, of course the case would have been different because the importers could have been proceeded against for making a false declaration of value.

Many philatelists here send out selections of stamps on which they declare the approximate value and the authorities have been in the habit of perforating the packets with a machine, with the consequence that recently a collection valued at several thousands of pesos and intended for Brazil was ruined. To avoid this contretemps in future, people have been requested to attach a slip of paper to the packets with the words "please do not perforate the envelope because it contains stamps for collections."

Owing to the inferior quality of the gum on the stamps of the current issue, they frequently become detached from the envelopes during their transmission through the post, and the authorities have therefore distributed amongst their offices a star-shaped rubber stamp, in the centre of which are the words" estampilla caida", which translated into English means "stamp fallen off."

Recently the Radical party projected the issue of a series of stamps without actual value, upon which the effigies of the outgoing President Irigoyen, Dr. Marcelo Alvear, the President-Elect, and Dr. Elpido Gonzalez, the ex-Chief of Police, were to appear.

Much ink has been spilled, some bad blood engendered, and a considerable amount of heated temper and oratory has been occasioned by this proposal, and owing to certain remarks made by a member of the Chamber of Deputies, a duel between him and one of the Cabinet Ministers, who previously resigned, has resulted.

It is now stated that the decision to issue the series will be negatived.

The prominent daily paper *La Nacion,* has projected an air flight from Buenos Aires to Rio de Janeiro to compliment the Brazilians on the occasion of their centenary, and the aviator Teodoro Fels will be accompanied by Senor J. M. Piacentini, one of the editors of the paper. The start will be made from the San Isidro aviation ground about the 28th inst., but if the weather is propitious the aviators may leave a day or two earlier. The route to be followed is Florida, Durazno, in Uruguay, Rio Grande do Sul, Porto Alegreo, Florianopolis, Santos, and Rio de Janeiro, in Brazil, and the journey is to be made in three days.

I am informed that a small amount of correspondence is to be carried, for which purpose a special postmark will probably be used, but I will verify this statement later.

A new philatelic monthly journal called *La Filatelia Argentina* printed in Spanish made its appearance last month in this city, and it is a very creditable production. The promoters wish to make it the official journal of the numerous philatelic societies which exist in these countries.

Brazil.—According to a statement issued by the Sao Paulo Philatelic Society, the first issue of Brazilian stamps, popularly known as "Bull's Eyes" (1843), was printed in the following quantities:—

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This information, which may safely be taken as authentic, should prove highly interesting to specialists in the stamps of this country.

Paraguay.—The Postal Administration announce that the following quantities of stamps with the words "habilitado 1918" were issued:—

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By order of the Board of Inland Revenue a bonfire was made on the 28th April last of various postage and telegraph stamps of a total value of $80,022.15.

Amongst these stamps, 7721 of S.G. 107, 44,802 of No. 246, and 18,000 postage due of $1, $1.50, Nos. 361 and 362, are supposed to have been destroyed, but curiously enough all these stamps have recently been offered to me at a premium of 10 per cent. on their face value, so the holders apparently expect to make a good thing out of the business.

The official notice of the incineration ends with the words "after the destruction, the corresponding document was duly signed." 'Nuff said.

On the 1st of May last a monument to some war veterans (Paraguayan War, I presume) was inaugurated in Asuncion, the capital city of this country, and it was intended to issue commemorative stamps of $1 and $2.50, to be designed by Senor Hector da Ponte, but there was no time to prepare the stamps and therefore the project was abandoned. The design was to have been similar to that used for the Centenary stamps of 1910. I see that several foreign philatelic journals announced the actual issue of these stamps, but from above you will see that the statement is incorrect. —*Philatelic Magazine.*

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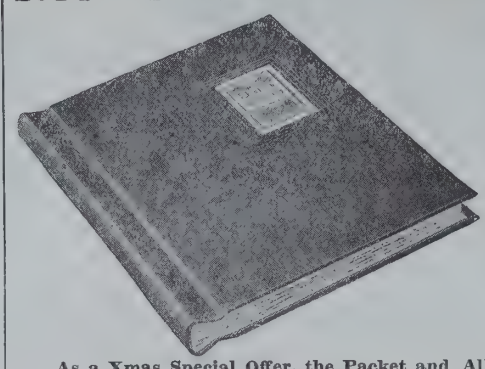

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BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS, 1904.

By HARRY E. HUBER.

On January 22nd, 1901, Queen Victoria died, and King Edward VII acceded to the throne, but it was not until more than three years had elapsed, that the Edwardian series of postage stamps for the British Virgins, made appearance.

Although the stamps were issued on June 1st, 1904, the formal Order in Council was not made until September 20th, 1904, being published in the *Leeward Islands Gazette* of Thursday, September 29th.

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The denominations duplicate those of the 1899 series, except that the 4d and 7d are dropped, and 2d, 3d and 2s6d added. Instead of going to the expense of special plates, use was made of De La Rue's Postage & Revenue keyplate of the 1888 design, which had been altered to show the head of King Edward VII, to the left, on a plain ground of color, enclosed in an octagonal frame, and surmounted by a Crown.

The stamps were printed in sheets of 120, 2 panes of 60, separated by a narrow gutter, on paper watermarked multiple Crown CA, and perforated comb 14. These were the first stamps to be printed on the new multiple watermarked paper, so-called by reason of the device Crown CA being repeated close together over the entire surface of the sheet instead of only in panes as before. Portions of several devices, therefore, appear on each stamp. Plate 1 appears in the upper margin of the sheet, over the 2nd and 5th stamps of the left and right panes, respectively, and under the corresponding stamps in the lower row. A continuous marginal line surrounds each pane.

The head impression for the pence values is in violet and for the shilling values, in green. The duty plate impression was added at a second printing, in a separate color. The figures and lettering of the 2d, 3d, 1s and 2s6d value tablets are in color enclosed in a thin hexagonal frame; for the others, it is colorless on a solid ground of color.

Only one printing was made of these stamps, and in very small quantities for the higher values. The 2s6d was the first to exhaust, in October, 1911, followed soon after by the 2d. Other values exhausted during the year, but as King Edward VII had died on May 10, 1911, and new keyplates with the head of the new sovereign substituted, were in preparation, no further printings were made from the old plates. The missing values were supplied by the Federal series. The demand for stamps of the higher denominations for strictly postal purposes, is very small, and seldom are values above 1d reprinted.

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A CANADIAN ANACHRONISM.

By EDW. E. GOODCHILD.

Under the above caption there appeared in MEKEEL'S issue of Nov. 25, an article by R. M. Angus, setting forth among other things "that an interesting heraldic mistake in the design of the Georgian series of Canadian postage stamps has only recently been noticed." Further that a Post Office Inspector interviewed a high official of the British American Bank Note Co. who expressed surprise and concurred with the error, stating that they themselves had not observed it.

May I be permitted to point out that this is no new discovery. In my booklet the "Postage Stamps of Canada" (Price 50c) on which the editor recently made such favorable comment, I particularly drew attention to same as follows:—

"After the accession of King George to the throne, etc., practically no alteration in the designs of those of the previous king's issue.

One change, however, led to quite an uproar among certain elements of the population who claimed that the Tudor Crown, which had appeared in the upper corners of the King Edward issues had been substituted to that of the Papal order. An examination of the two issues certainly show an entirely different crown and cross to that previously appearing."

This had been common knowledge to me for many years past and was the reason for much newspaper controversy, many claiming and still claim that the cross over the crown was due to Roman Catholic influence.

Prior to such issue, irrespective of whether such issue was Queen Victoria or King Edward, the crown used was always the Tudor Crown of England. As a matter of fact the very first Canadian issue of the 3d 1851 has it.

Your correspondent is perfectly correct when he claims that no such Cross and Crown appears on any other current British Colonial issues and this very fact has done much to support the theory set out above, many claiming that the Roman Catholic influence is not so great in any other part of the British Empire as in Canada.

Whether it is considered advisable in the interest of heraldry to correct the design, as your correspondent suggests I know not, but the officials responsible for the design would be well advised to revert to the original crown and cross same being more symbolical and in keeping with all other issues throughout the British Empire.

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FAMOUS WOMEN ON STAMPS.

By W. GARDNER.

How many famous women have been immortalised on postage stamps? Their number is less than three dozen. Our own first stamp, the well-known penny black, bore the portrait of the late Queen Victoria taken from William Wyon's head. This is a great portrait, and is rightly credited with being the most beautiful stamp ever produced. New Zealand copied its early stamps from the coronation portrait by Mr. Alfred Chalon, R. A. To deal alone with the Victorian stamp would take far more space than could be spared in this article. Queen Victoria's features figured on upwards of 3,500 postage stamps from over sixty States and Colonies.

Many great stamp printers have produced by various printing processes, charming pictures of Queen Victoria. Messrs. Perkins, Bacon and Co., produced the early line-engraved stamps of Ceylon, Bahamas, Grenada, St. Helena, Natal, Queensland, etc., and these classical issues have quite a charm of their own.

The embossed stamps of Gambia are also quite pleasing. The early stamps of Canada by Rawdon, Wright, Hatch, and Edson of New York are very fine, while the Jubilee stamps, showing the Queen as she appeared in 1837 and 1897, are of great historic interest.

Waterlow's stamps for the Niger Coast showing Queen Victoria in widow's weeds are good examples of this firm's work.

Exquisite engraving of the Queen's portrait is given by Messrs. Bradbury, Wilkinson and Co., on the stamps they produced for the Transvaal and Falkland Islands. Of a different type are the stamps of the Prince Edward Islands, electrotyped and printed by Mr. Chas. Whiting, of Beaufort House, Strand, London. Locally engraved and printed stamps produced by Mauritius, New South Wales, Tasmania, and Victoria are in many cases mere caricatures, yet they are rare, much sought for, and too expensive for the ordinary collector with a limited purse. Messrs. De la Rue, who probably produced more Victorian stamps than any printers, perhaps never excelled their work shown on the stamps of Uganda.

Queen Alexandra is seen on the 10c of Newfoundland, 1911. The 3c value of 1897 shows her as the Princess of Wales. Queen Mary's portrait may be found on the stamps of Newfoundland as can also that of Princess Mary the daughter of our philatelic king.

Makea Takau Ariki, or, as she was generally known, Queen Makea, adorns the 1893 issue of Cook Islands. She was only ariki or chief of her district, Rarotonga, and, although she could not speak English, was very intelligent. Her hair in the portrait is plaited, as it was the custom for elderly married native women to arrange their hair so. The stamps were the work of Mr Alfred Ernest Cousins, of Wellington, engraver of many New Zealand stamps. He engraved the head from a photo borrowed from a chief, this being the only one obtainable.

The Hawaiian Islands have presented us with a number of her native queens. The $1 of 1882 shows Queen Emma, the wife of Kamehameha IV. She was not a pure blooded Hawaiian, but was beloved by the natives for her talents and good character.

Queen Kapiolani, wife of King Kalakaua, is seen on the 15c of the same series. The 1c of 1871 shows us Princess Victoria Kamamalu. The Hon. Mrs. Cleghorn, or the Princess Likelike, as she was known by the natives, appears on the 1c of 1882. She was the youngest sister of King Kalakaua and married Mr. Archibald S. Cleghorn. Queen Liliuokalani, 2c of 1891, succeeded King Kalakaua after his death in San Francisco, Jan. 20th. 1891. She was Kalakaua's sister and married an Englishman named John O'Dominio. Liliuokalani was always at variance with the government. At a mass meeting a provisional government was formed, but the queen raised a conspiracy to establish a monarchy and was sentenced to five years' imprisonment.

Another "dark-eyed stranger," Pocahontas, appears on the 5c adhesive of 1907 U. S. A. She was the daughter of Powhatan, an Indian chief, and at the age of twelve is said to have saved the life of John Smith by throwing herself over his prostrate body to shield him from execution. She was baptised at Jamestown, and married John Rolfe, the result being peace of long duration between the Indians and the Jamestown settlers. Pocahontas visited England and saw King James, but while at Gravesend she contracted small-pox and died.

On the death of King George Tubou of Tonga in 1918, Queen Salote Tubou succeeded to the throne, and two years later her portrait appeared on a 2d violet-brown stamp, followed in 1921 by several other values. The queen's head appears in an oval and the stamps were produced by the copperplate process, thus producing handsome stamps.

About ten European countries may be found with stamps bearing female portraits. The first issue of Portugal depicts Maria da Gloria, daughter of Dom Pedro IV. Events placed the thrones of Portugal and Brazil at the disposal of Dom Pedro. Preferring to remain in Brazil he abdicated the Portuguese throne in favor of his daughter Maria, then only seven years of age. She was for a time displaced by the intrigues of her uncle Miquel, who proclaimed himself king, but she was eventually restored to the throne in 1833, and reigned through troublous times until 1853, when she died at the early age of thirty-five. The four stamps showing her features were embossed in sheets of twenty-four at the Lisbon Mint. Presses for producing these stamps were supplied by Messrs. Dryden Bros., of London, and only one stamp at a time could be struck. Although this was very slow, over seven million of the 25c were struck in two years, besides large numbers of the other denominations.

Isabella I of Castile and Leon, a woman of great charm, courage, and sagacity, adorns the $4 stamp of U. S. A. 1893. She it was who helped Columbus to undertake his renowned voyage to America in 1492. This portrait of the queen is after the well-known painting by Antonio del Rincon which hangs in the Royal Palace at Madrid.

The first stamps of Spain bore the likeness of Isabella II, daughter of Ferdinand VII. She became queen at the age of three, and the early years of her reign were disturbed by a rising in favour of her uncle. Her reign was so despotic that a revolution took place in 1868, which drove her out of the country. In the 1850 issue the queen wears a crown, in the 1851 issue an oval band, and in 1853 she again wears a crown. It was in this year that forgeries of stamps were found, so we find the queen's head in 1856 adorned with a wreath of laurel. The execution of these various heads by Don Bartolomé Coromina is certainly not artistic, but in spite of this the stamps are attractive, and are very popular with many collectors.

Carmine Sylvia, the poetess Queen of Rumania, was the cause of several series of stamps being issued by the Rumanian Post Office, their use being both postal and philanthropic. Part of the proceeds of their sale was given to institutions in which Her Majesty was interested. In the 1906 series one stamp shows the Queen spinning, another shows her weaving, while a third shows her nursing a

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wounded soldier. They each have a motto attached. In 1907 a pretty series of values for this same country depict Princess Maria and her children receiving a poor family at the gate of their palace.

The head of Queen Wilhelmina of Holland has adorned the stamps of that country since 1891. Wilhelmina succeeded her father William III in 1890, and during her minority, Queen Dowager Emma acted as regent. The stamps of 1871 show her as a girl. On 6th Sept., 1898, a 1 gulden stamp, the first of a series, was issued to commemorate the coronation of the queen and also to signalise the event of her becoming queen *de facto* as well as *de jure*. The portrait was engraved in taille douce by M. J. Vurtheime of Rotterdam, after a photo by Professor R. Stagg. It is interesting to note that on this stamp there are many errors. The queen is wearing a diadem, so the royal crown above is superfluous. The crowns in the escutcheons are the wrong shape and too small. Again, two coats of arms are not necessary. If two are needed for symmetry, then one should be that of Nassau. Shields also should be placed upright.

We find one lady included in the Austrian Jubilee stamps, she being found on the 2 heller value. Maria Theresa, Queen of Hungary and Arch-duchess of Austria, ascended the throne in troublous time. Her claims to the throne were disputed on all sides and war broke out. Hungary supported her, but at the Peace of Breslau, 1742, much territory was ceded to Prussia. Maria Theresa had sixteen children, one of whom was the unfortunate Marie Antoinette.

Queen Zita, consort of the late Emperor Karl, has figured on many stamps of Hungary and Bosnia. After the Great War, Zita and her husband were deported to Maderia.

The consort of Archduke Frances Ferdinand is shown on a 40h commemorative stamp of Bosnia. By her side is the head of the archduke and below is the date, June 28th, 1914, the day they were assassinated at Serajeva, the capital of Bosnia.

Two of Russia's great women are presented to us in the Romanoff series of 1913. Katherine II in her state robes, after a painting by Skorodonmow, is shown on the 14kop. She was the wife of Peter III, and a woman of great intellect. The Czar was all but an imbecile, so Katherine had him deposed, imprisoned and afterwards murdered. She had plenty of lovers, and on them she lavished presents and pensions to the tune of two million pounds sterling. The 50kop gives us a portrait of Elizabeth II, daughter of Peter the Great. She rivalled her mother in beauty and was a great lover of pleasure. Her portrait is taken from a picture by Tchemesow.

Luxemburg in 1914 issued stamps bearing the head of the Grand Duchess Marie Adelaide. She succeeded to the title on the death of Grand Duke Wilhelm at the age of sixty. When Wilhelm ascended the throne he was suffering from an incurable disease, and on 20th June, 1907, he submitted to the Diet a new Royal Succession Bill making his eldest daughter heir to the Duchy. There was much opposition, but eventually the Bill passed by a large majority. In 1919 the Grand Duchess Marie Adelaide was deposed and for barely four days Luxemburg was a republic. The Grand Ducal Government was restored under Princess Charlotte, and with the approval of the allies. A new issue bearing her portrait was to have appeared on Jan. 23rd, 1920, but as the likeness was anything but flattering, the whole issue was scrapped, and it was not till a year later that the first postage stamp bearing her features appeared.

Montenegro, now no longer a stamp issuing country, gave us in 1910 a portrait of Queen Milena as she appeared at the time of her marriage with the late King Nicholas (1860). Her portrait was adapted from a painting hanging in the National Museum at Cetinje.

Japan has gone in very little for portraiture, but we are favoured with a picture of Kogo Jingo on the stamps of 1908. Jingo was regent of Japan from 201 to 269 in the place of her son Ojin, and it is said she died at the age of 100. Even in her day a simple system of letter carrying was in vogue in the islands.

Martha Washington, the wife of the renowned George Washington, occupies the place of honour on the 8c of 1902 U. S. A. Her portrait was taken from a picture by Gilbert Stuart.

Two Mexican heroines, Josefa Ortiz (1c) and Leona Vicario (2c, 1910), are all the females that this remarkable country has yet shown to us. These two ladies greatly helped Hidalgo in the fight for freedom against Spain.

Policarpe Salavarrieta, a heroine of the War of Independence, and lovingly known as La Pola, is depicted on the Columbian 1c stamp of 1910. Her lover, a carrier of dispatches for the independents, was captured and held as a spy. La Pola claimed that she alone was to blame, and she was arrested. Both were executed. Her life and death are favourite themes for Columbian poets and dramatists.

Our last lady shall be from Cuba. On the anniversary of the birth of Gertrudio Gomez de Avellaneda, the celebrated Spanish poetess, in 1914, a special stamp was issued. It was a long horizontal stamp with a circular portrait medallion in the centre. Avellaneda, whose real name was Peregrina, was the authoress of numerous lyrical poems in the Spanish tongue. She was born in Cuba in 1816, but she emigrated to Spain, where she lived in turn in Madrid and Seville, dying in the latter city in 1873.—*Postage Stamp.*

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Malay States, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 20, 50c (at 2s 9d per dollar).
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Such a case—a combination of historical interest and literature—is that of the 6c value of the 1610-1910 series of Newfoundland, which shows a portrait of Francis Bacon, Lord Verulam, known in his own time as the "wisest, brightest, and meanest of men." Beneath the head appears this inscription—"Lord Bacon. The guiding spirit in the colonisation scheme."

Cervantes, or, to give him his full name, Miguel de Cervantes Saavedra, figures on the Spanish issue bearing the dates 1605-1905, commemorating the tercentenary of the publication of "Don Quixote." These stamps are too well known among collectors to require description, and we may pass directly on to the Vasco de Gama series of Portugal, issued in 1898. One value bears a tiny portrait of Luiz de Camoens, whose epic "The Lusiads," which commemorates Da Gama's great voyage, was written in exile at Macao, then a remote island-settlement. Camoens, after a strenuous life of adventure and hardship, died in poverty and obscurity in a public hospital, at the age of fifty-six. Like Cervantes, he had fought in his country's service, and was present at the taking of Ceuta from the Moors. Here he was severely wounded, losing his right eye.

Captain James Cook, author of "Voyages of Discovery," figures on some of the stamps of New South Wales, New Zealand, and, lately, of the islands under New Zealand jurisdiction, such as Penrhyn, Rarotonga, etc.

Another Englishman, Captain John Smith, the famous Lincolnshire soldier, is delineated on one value of the Jamestown tercentenary issue, U. S. A., brought out in 1907. His life was full of perils and hairbreadth escapes; for, before Princess Pocahontas rescued him from the fury of her father's tribe, he had served in the Low Countries; fought in the Mediterranean; been captured by, and escaped from, the Turks; and fought Spaniards at sea. He joined the expedition to Virginia in 1605, later becoming president of the colony of James-

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Eight modern writers appear on stamps, two of whom are royal ladies. One is the late Elizabeth, Queen of Roumania, known to the world as "Carmen Sylva," poetess and author of many charming Roumanian stories; the other is the present Queen Marie, whose book "My Country," deals so feelingly with Roumania's sufferings during the late war. Both these ladies are portrayed on the beautiful Charity stamps of 1906-07.

Another writer is Lieut.-Gen. Sir R. S. Baden-Powell, whose books on scouting and kindred subjects are so well known among boys. His portrait, of course, appears on one of the rare Mafeking "Siege" stamps of 1900.

Perhaps the finest of these "literary" postage stamps yet issued is the splendid set of three produced in Rome on the 15th of September, 1921, to mark the sixth centenary of the death of Dante Alighieri. The portrait of Italy's greatest poet ("l'altissimo poet", as the inscription runs, on the 25 cent) appears on the 40 cent. Dante's life was one of disappointment and hardship, of exile and struggle. Born at Florence in 1265, he died at Ravenna in 1321, having nineteen years prior to his death, been banished from Florence on pain of being burned alive if he entered the city again. He had belonged to the party which opposed Charles of Valois, and was one of the chief Florentine magistrates when the French king entered the city with his victorious army. Even Dante's marriage proved unhappy. Beatrice, the guiding star of his life, was destined to tread a path that lay apart from his, and no closer intimacy than friendship was ever possible for the poet.

Including the Dante series, five literary portraits have been added to the list since 1919. Of the remaining four, the first in order of date is the large head of Gabriel D'Annunzio on the Fiume stamps of September, 1919, issued to commemorate the poet's entry into the city. Bulgaria provides us with two more: the first, appearing on the 24th of October, 1920, celebrates the seventieth birthday of Bulgaria's national poet, Ivan Vazoff, the value (the 2 leva) bearing his portrait and autograph. The other series, brought out on the 30th of December, 1921, marks the first anniversary of the death of J. D. Bourchier, the famous *Times* correspondent, whose work lay so much in Eastern Europe, and who lies buried at Rilo Monastery.

The fourth portrait is supplied by Uruguay, three stamps for this country being issued on the 26th of February, 1920, to honour the landing at Monte Video, on that day, of the embalmed body of José Enrique Rodo, the Uruguayan writer, who died in Italy.

It remains to be seen how many more writers will achieve this novel form of immortality, via the postage stamp. Perhaps we shall yet see a series honouring British authors and poets, from the time of Chaucer to that of Mr. H. G. Wells; or a Greek set showing Homer and scenes from the "Iliad" as the Spanish set shows Cervantes and scenes from Don Quixote." One can, at any rate, live in hopes of seeing further examples of "Literary" Postage Stamps.—*Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly.*

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—On Tuesday evening, Dec. 12, the stamp collectors of Spokane, Wash., and vicinity, held a meeting for the purpose of organizing a stamp club in that city. We trust the movement was successful and shall be very glad to have an account of the organization meeting.

—We have received from Prof. Harold S. Palmer of the University of Hawaii a Honolulu advertising cancellation. It reads:—"Visit Hawaii National Park, Open All Year." A new cancellation has appeared from N. Y. City. It reads as follows in a fanciful design:—"International Silk Exposition, Grand Central Palace, Feb. 5 to 15, 1923." Montreal also furnishes us with the following:—"Place Stamp in Upper Right Hand Corner."

—"On the 6th of November the first Latvian National Assembly was displaced by a newly elected body of deputies. Immediately a commemorative set of stamps was suggested, but due to the opposition of the Postmaster General the movement was defeated."—KARL KOSLOWSKI.

—We have received from A. E. Hussey a set of the new Austrian air-plane stamps. There are five values in the set:—300kr purple; 600kr brown; 900kr orange; 1200kr dark brown; 2400kr black.

—Arthur E. Wellington very kindly submits for our inspection a handsome Siberian cover. No fewer than eighteen stamps, nearly all different, are found upon the cover. Mr. Wellington writes:—"I imagine that some of the D. B. P. stamps will be mighty scarce. They are surcharged with the new name of the local government or with initials of it, meaning Priamur Territorial Country District. They have been in use since October 10, and the number printed was small."

—We have received from B. Buchanan sets of Russia and Swiss stamps, the latter begin overprinted for the correspondence of the League of Nations at Geneva. The Russia set is the Odessa Famine already chronicled in the WEEKLY but in this instance imperforate. Our correspondent questions the advisability of collectors being fooled by the purchase of the Swiss set. We confirm his judgment and see no reason why these stamps should not be in the same category as the Borneo Exhibition set which has been so severely condemned.

—A Washington, D. C., advertising cancellation reads:—"Mail Early For Christmas." From Portsmouth, N. H., we have:—"300th Anniversary of the First Settlements in New Hampshire 1623-1923."

—A. A. Wasserscheid of New York City, a faithful correspondent of the WEEKLY in connection with advertising cancellations, sends us the New York Silk Exposition chronicled elsewhere in our columns. We should take this opportunity to acknowledge the courtesy of many subscribers who are favoring us, but whose work we are unable to mention in the WEEKLY due to earlier information received.

—Elsewhere in this number will be found the advertisement of Victor G. Loly, who is about to retire from the stamp business. For twenty years he has been actively identified with the trade and many of our readers will regret this step upon Mr. Loly's part.

—Our Beverly office has received from Karl Koslowski some specimens of weird creations supposed to commemorate five years of Bolshevik reign. We will not attempt to describe these labels, which are fearfully and wonderfully made, but will leave them to later treatment by our new issues department.

—"I notice you chronicled a new style of German metered mail. I have three different styles on hand now, 125 as appeared in the above stated number of your paper, 200 and 400, like the one I enclose, and 250 entirely different than the former. I have been receiving these weekly since Aug., 1922, from 80pf to 400, on a weekly paper from Germany."—E. H. POVOLNY.

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Here is a bit of candor that we observe in the "Notice" in English that appears on a price-list of a Hungarian dealer: "I do not deliver on credit, whenever the best references have been given because I can buy fresh merchandise only for money, not for references." We heard a daughter report to her father who had sent her out with some bills, in answer to his inquiry as to how she had succeeded: "Splendid. I didn't collect any money but many compliments were paid me." Our dealer continues in his easy English: "Besides in order to keep in evidence my credits, I should be obliged to employ an apposite personnel for this purpose, and to raise my prices." We wish that we were as much at home in the language of Budapest as this dealer is in English.

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"What bombast is shown by the boastful motto, 'We hold a vaster empire than has been,' flaunted on the first Canadian two cent stamp (sic) that blocks out the empire on a map of the world. I am amazed that a country can so far forget its manners as to crow in this way," says a bunk critic in the *Brown Barb*, an irresponsible sheet that seems to delight in heaving bricks at stamp collecting, not however, that the foregoing is libelous. The "motto" is from Sir Lewis Morris' jubilee ode and its use is allowable under the circumstances as it is not expected that nations be as punctilious as individuals in boosting tactics. As for that, the "Domestic Manners of the Americans," written by Mrs. Trollope in the '30's, says something about maps: "Once in Ohio and once in the district of Columbia, I had an atlas displayed before me, that I might be convinced by the evidence of my own eyes, what a contemptible little country I came from. I shall never forget the gravity with which on the latter occasion, a gentleman drew out his graduated pencil-case and showed me past contradiction that the whole of the British dominions did not equal in size one of their least important states, nor the air with which after the demonstration, he placed his feet upon the chimney piece, considerably higher than his head, and whistled Yankee Doodle."

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"I put away an approval card on which there were a half-dozen early United States in fine shape, for which I paid according to the price marks, $42. The stamps were bought in May, 1917, and the card was carelessly placed in an Italian dictionary that I happened to consult at the time. The book was replaced on the shelf and the stamps were lost to me for over five years. I have just found them and the joy of the discoverer is mine. I surely would have to pay just twice $42 for these stamps today." Thus does the story have a happy ending.

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A writer in *Madrid Filatelico* in discussing the postal curiosities of Spain divides his study into three parts, the first of which he calls counterfeits of postage stamps proper and the second, fiscals used as postage stamps; while the third falls to foreign stamps used in Spain. The author says that examples of the first division are most numerous and were recognized officially as having been discovered in Granada in the beginning of 1853. This certainly is an early date. It will be seen that the Spanish counterfeits designed to defraud the government are a subject to command the attention of the student, as they are plentiful and "some of them are such perfect imitations of the genuine stamps that it is very difficult to distinguish between the real and the forged stamps."

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A dealer tells us that all stamps are going well and that within a week he has had calls for the native Indian stamps which are not generally regarded as best sellers. His price for these stamps was 50% off, if the buyer attended to the classifying but 25% if the dealer was to catalogue and mark the varieties. The 25% off proposition was accepted.

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Mr. Roy Richardson, Brooklyn, N. Y., who is in the postal service seems to know what he is talking about and he tells why even the small places that are not on the big maps may use the "Address your mail to street and number," postmark to advantage. Hear him: "The people living in very small towns rarely write letters among themselves. In fact, it is unnecessary for them to do so, as they usually meet each other daily. The bulk of their correspondence is addressed to friends and relatives, residing some distance away, very frequently in the large cities. The simple rustics often overlook the fact that the postmaster of such cities are not personally acquainted with the identity and location of a vast majority of the inhabitants thereof. Consequently, when they address letters to such persons and leave out the street and number, it is impossible to deliver such mail and it is returned to writer with the warning on the postmark of their home town, thus gradually bringing about the education of the public. I can vouch for the fact that hundreds of letters are received daily in every large city, without having the street and number indicated thereon and that the greater part of such mail is found in the pouches picked up at fourth-class towns and bearing addresses such as 'Thomas Foley, Dublin, Ireland,' or 'Mary Jane Smith, Chicago, Ill.'"

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Every three months we receive the quarterly of the Collectors Club, New York City, the *Collectors' Club Philatelist* and take pride in the fact that a publication of the merit of this quarterly is the sign manual of the real philatelic club of America. We remember how the news of the establishing of a club-house for philatelists in America was a topic of congratulatory conversation when some decades ago, the New York collectors brought their dream of an institution of the kind to reality. Like many enterprises that become pre-eminently successful in time, the Collectors Club has experienced a chill wind or two among the sustaining breezes that blew, year by year. The present well-being of the Collectors Club is a warrant of its useful activity and we feel that the publication committee, Messrs. Chittenden and Lindquist have extended the fair fame of the club in a way to do themselves proud.

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From Mr. A. H. Robertson, Chase City, Va., we have received an illustrated "parody of the auctioneer's description of the 1869 issue," in the form of the seventeen stamps current, perforated 11, which run the gamut from bad to the superlative absolute of bad. Mr. Robertson says that his description will fit the awful condition of the stamps when this set becomes "the idol of the future." We think that it is just as well that stamp auctioneers curb their idealism when they are cataloguing the lots as it is known that auctioneers in other lines are rather prone to favor the buyer, who is a prospect as a steady customer, rather than the seller who is done with the dealer when his stamps are scattered. The man who will lose two dollars of tomorrow to get one dollar today is foolish.

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Twenty-six members of the class sign e petition and give thirteen reasons y the stamp should be issued, which e summed up in the assertion that the istory of the country is bound up with e figure 13, wherefore the stamp should created. They set forth the fact that merica was discovered by Columbus on e evening of the 13th, an assertion hich will involve them with the Klan; at the original republic had 13 states; at the original flag had 13 stars and stripes; that the national motto con- ns 13 letters; that the first word to ss over the Atlantic cable was sent on e 13th; that there were 13 ships in the st navy and, to get down to recent ents, that General Pershing reached ance on June 13, 1917.

There are other reasons, but the thir- nth is that it would cost no more to ke a 13-cent stamp than any other. e studious young people go a step ther in their memorial, for they sub- t several designs for the stamp which y crave. So far as we can see, only e objection can be raised against their rteen reasons and that is that no de- nd exists for the stamp.

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NEWS FROM CENTRAL EUROPE.

By A. KOECHLIN.

The 1st of December the Swiss "Pro Juventute" stamps will again make their appearance. As in former years they'll be for sale during the month of December only, but they'll have franking value till the 30th of April. They are available for foreign mail.

The set consists this year of four values, series of arms continued, 5+5 canton Zug, 10+5 canton Friburg, 20+5 canton Lucerne, 40+10 Switzerland, historical frame, to the left Duke Leopold III of Austria, to the right Arnold Winkelried the Swiss national hero, both participants of the battle of Sempach.

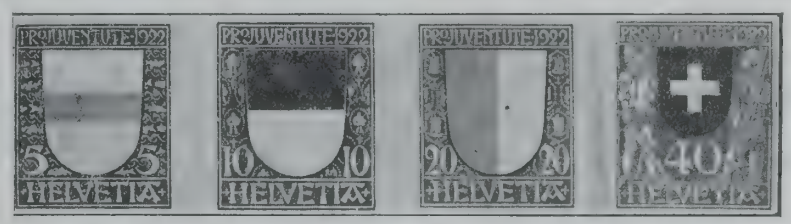
The league of nations has now a set of stamps of its own. It took quite a while till it got so far. The committee of finances had numerous seances and finally decided to induce Switzerland to French post-offices for economical reasons.

Beginning of October the color of the 25c was changed. It is now carmine in accordance with color standard of the postal union.

The steady depreciation of the German Mark calls for all possible means to cut down the disparity between income and expenditures. The postage rates were therefore steadily increased, old values dropped, new ones introduced, some of which scarcely issued were of no use any more, like for instance the 75pf numeral.

The Germania type is now done away with entirely and may be noted as obsolete. The sale of stamps of this type was stopped Oct. the 1st, the franking value lasted till the end of the month.

As the lowest rate is now 1 Mark for



issue a set of special design for propaganda purposes of the league and at the same time to reduce the postage rates. As the league's 'yearly mail' expenses hardly reached the modest sum of 50,000 frs, Switzerland could not accede to their demands. Finally an arrangement was made to overprint the 11 lower values of the current Swiss issue. This, however, with the clear understanding that the overprinted stamps were exclusively to be used for franking the official mail of the league and not to be marketed.

At the December session of the league which coincided with the philatelic exhibition at Geneva numerous applications from both parties were made to withdraw the restriction. The arrangement was modified in the way that sets may be furnished to applicants, but only *cancelled* ones. None in mint condition in order to prevent fraudulent imitations of the overprint.

These stamps overprinted "Société des Nations" whether postally used or merely *cancelled to oblige* will therefore all bear the postmark "Geneva I" on the top, "Société des Nations" on the bottom, date of shipment in the center.

Postally used on cover these stamps will be rather scarce, as already mentioned the League's yearly expenses for mail amount hardly to 50,000 frs. no deduction made of the part mailed at inland printings there is no use any more for the lower values of the numeral type. The printing of these is stopped.

Before long the stamps of the coal miner type will be also a feature of the past and there will be left only the small sized posthorn and larger numeral types. Values of 5, 6, 8, 20 and 30 marks have been issued in the 1st one, 50 and 100 marks in the last one. All, but the 100 mark (printed on the old lozenge watermark paper) have chicken wire watermark.

Austria has issued values of all kinds of denomination and realized up to date 62 values postage, dues and newspaper stamps in 1922 (the highest value being 2,000kr) and now it undertakes a new raid on the pocketbook of philatelists, issuing a set of 5 airmail stamps (300, 600, 900, 1,200, 2,400kr.) just 8 days before the airmail service was stopped.

Nearly all the European airmail lines have discontinued their service during the winter months.

Italy after all her commemoratives plans the issue of an entirely new set of postage stamps, 14 of the most prominent artists have been invited to submit sketches. There will be two sizes of stamps, size of the current stamps with the king's head and larger sized ones for reproductions of Italian monuments and masterpieces of art.

As we recall it, the 13-cent stamp came into being when, during the war, the letter rate was raised from 2 to 3 cents, for this act created a demand for a stamp 10 cents in excess of the ordinary letter rate, as with it at hand the fee for registry or special delivery could be covered in with the postage by the use of one stamp instead of two. Then, a use for the stamp was obvious, as there is now for its mulberry-colored brother, the 12-cent issue, but when the letter rate dropped to 2 cents, the 13-cent stamp was left high and dry.

Still, if the twice-thirteen students in Shepherdstown, W. Va., feel that their future is likely to be blighted without this stamp, the post-office department should give the matter careful consideration and examine the designs which the twenty-six have submitted. — *Hartford Courant.*

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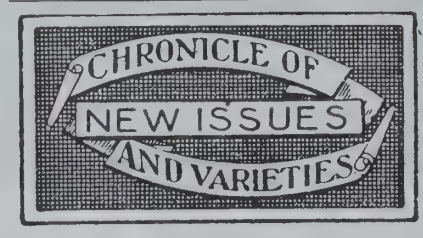

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Several months back I described in this column certain plates of the 1c denomination turned out by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing in accordance with a patent granted Mr. G. U. Rose, Jr. Since then we have referred to these as the Rose electrolytic plates because of the method by which they were produced. Stamps from these plates could only be told from those produced in the regular manner, with difficulty, but Mr. L. G. Barrett now calls my attention to distinguishing marks which stand out very clearly.

In the case of the Rose variety the back of Washington's head is separated from the dark background by a well defined white line which follows the contour of the back of the head. The left line of the queue just above the ribbon stops before it reaches the ribbon so that there is the effect of a white spot at this point. In the case of the right ribbon over the right figure we have a large white space, then three vertical lines.

In the plates produced in the regular manner the back of the head tend to merge into the background and the white line is not present. The left line in the queue runs to the ribbon around the hair although fine. In the right ribbon above the right figure we have first a single vertical line, then a space and then the three vertical lines. The differences stand out very clearly when the two are examined together. The Rose variety exists in both imperforate and perforated 11 condition.

Mr. J. William Harmon sends for inspection a very odd 2c pane from the southeast corner of plate 13672, wherein the vertical perforations are diagonal instead of straight up and down.

The Economist Stamp Company informs us that they have acquired the very fine Baer collection of Baltimore which contained among its unusual items a block of four of the 5c 1847 on the entire cover, a strip of four of the 5c 1851, a number of the 1c 1851, including some very unusual pieces and combinations, a fine lot of the 1857 besides quite a fine lot of late things.

Mr. H. E. Deats sends for inspection a first class mail letter posted under a permit by the Dairymen's League of Ithica, N. Y. The denomination is 2c, in red and the permit is number 3.

The Annual Report of the Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1922, has just been distributed and as usual contains much of interest to the philatelist. During the 12 months nearly 130,000,000 sheets of stamps, nearly 40,000,000 booklets and over 4,000,000 coils of stamps were issued, totalling 14,380,912,117 separate and individual stamps. Of this quantity 150 sheets were of the $5.00 green 1916 series, 5 sheets were the bi-color $5.00, 47,925 sheets were aeroplane stamps, while the Pilgrim stamps total 17,603 sheets over half of which were the 5c denomination.

In the case of the Shanghai overprints, the total deliveries from the Bureau amounted to 257,000 stamps. Of the 50c and $1.00 4,000 each were delivered, while the quantities of the other denominations varied from this figure to 55,000, which were the number of the 1 and 2c stamp issued.

There was delivered to the Philippine Islands 42,585,280 stamps, of which nearly 32,000,000 were the 2c centavo denomination. Of the peso values only 100,000 of each were sent to the Islands. A total of 783 stamps was furnished to the Universal Postal Union and 2,404 stamps, which were in most cases a pane of each denomination, were delivered to the Third Assistant Postmaster General for use in connection with the Brazilian Exhibition.

The latter part of November the Scott Stamp & Coin Co. held an auction sale of stamps and sold several lots that were of unusual interest. Fine blocks of 40 each of the 50c, $1.00 and $2.00 Omahas in mint condition, brought $112.50, $210.00 and $535.00 respectively, each block had margin and plate numbers. A sheet of the Providence Postmaster changed hands at $64.00 while 1847 5c on cover sold from $10.00 up to $65.00 which was the price paid for a horizontal pair on cover cancelled "PAID" in green, with a green postmark of "Princess Ann, Md.," on cover. A copy of the 30c 1860 imperf. mint, but slightly creased with small margins, sold at $205.00. A superb copy of the 90c 1857 used with red gridiron cancellation found a new owner at $51.00. U. S. stamps generally including envelopes brought very fair prices.

AUSTRIA.—Copies of a new denomination arrive from our Vienna correspondent, Mr. Paul Fabian, and from Messrs. Whitfield King & Co., viz.:—Issued November 11th, 1922, Ear of Wheat Type, Perf. 12½; 400 kronen blue-green.

Mr. Fabian also sends us two entires posted from Vienna to Budapest, on the 5th and 8th inst. respectively, franked with the Air Mail stamps chronicled a fortnight ago. Both have a special cancellation—in one case in Magyar, reading "LESI POSTAVAL ERKEZETT" *(Arrived by Air Post)*, and in the other in German, reading "FLUG AUSGEFALLEN" *(Not sent by Air Post)*. —*Stamp Collecting.*

BELGIUM.—Mr. Henry Hooreman sends us the 30c rose red, postage due stamp in the new type.

BRITISH GUIANA.—In our last issue for December, 1921, we chronicled the arrival in the Colony of the 1c, 12c and 24c on new Script CA paper and the 96c on new yellow Mult. CA paper. Since that date the 4c has arrived in the Colony, and the 6c, 72c and a fresh supply of the 12c are now on order. Further, we chronicled the issue of the 2c and 24c on Script paper on November 15th, 1921. Since that date only the 12c has been put on sale; this took place on May 15th. We expect the 1c to be put on sale momentarily and the 4c at an early date, but the 96c is still lying i the tinlined case unopened. No new 2 4c and 6c stamps have been ordered i the modified colours—brown, grey, an ultramarine, under the Universal Colou Scheme. This is strange, seeing tha nearly all the British Colonies and Aus tralia have already changed the colour of the 1d, 2d and 3d denominations. W were under the impression that the de cisions of the International Postal Unio were binding on all members of th Union.

It may not be generally known that th G. P. O. holds a large stock of booklet of 1c and 2c stamps of the 1907 issu each containing twelve of 1c and eightee of 2c. These booklets have never bee popular and the gum has lost all its ad hesive properties

Reference has been made in the phila telic press to the discovery of a defect o the top frame line of the British Guian 12c Script CA. The top thick line i not continuous but broken over the let ters "ISH" of British into two thin lines with the space between them withou colour. This, however, is not a defec of printing, but the condition of the de sign. It is found in every stamp of th 12c value from the first issue. There is however, a defect in the first plate, whic appears on one stamp only on eac pane; this defect is a small scratch re sembling a full stop in the shading of th lower part of the King's neck—its posi tion is No. 3 of the right pane. Thi has evidently been corrected long ago —*British Guiana Philatelic Journal.*

Mr. R. Roberts sends us the 6c ultra marine, watermarked script.

CEYLON.—Mr. R. Roberts informs u of the 50c black and carmine now bein issued on the script watermarked paper

DUTCH INDIES.—Mr. A. W. Dunning and Prof. M. Loewy have sent for chron icle a set of ten values of the curren set with the surcharge "3de N. I. JAAR BEURS" on the left side and "BAN DOENG 1922" on the right. The fol lowing values are thus overprinted: 1c 2c, 2½c red, 3c brown, 4c, 5c green, 7½ drab and 10c lilac. The 12½c on 22½c orange, bears the surcharge in black a the right side in much smaller type while the 17½c and the 20c blue are overprinted above the "Nederl-In die." Mr. Dunning also calls our atten tion to the 32½c on 50c in which the spacing is much closer than the ordinary type. The "2" in the ½ is on the top obliterating line. The surcharged stamps were issued at Bandoeng, Java, where the exposition was held for about three weeks and were sold for twice face value value.

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FEDERATED MALAY STATES.—Our Sing-ore correspondent, Dr. Tan Bin iang, kindly submits copies of the ript 12 and 35 cents values (already ronicled in these columns), pointing t that the former is obviously printed m worn plates, as in several speci-ns the "T" in "POSTAGE" reads "I" .g. "POSIAGE"). As previously in-cated, this particular value, as well as e 35c was printed from Plates 3 and 4 ien put through the press on the Script per.

Incidentally, our Bangkok correspond-t, Mr. Chan Chin Joo, writes:—"Be-ee the new 35c, which has been issued ecially for use on telegrams, a new 3: stamp is also now on sale. This lat-t stamp is blue, the same colour as the 1:. This 12c is meant to replace the 10c, hich, in turn, replaced the 8c, and is for e principally on foreign letters, the post-ge on which was at one time 8c, then 1:, and is now 12c."—*Stamp Collecting.*

LITHUANIA.—Mr. S. Hyman advises t it the 2 auk of the current issue has en surcharged in the centre "10" with t word "Cento" below. The overprint in black and Mr. Hyman adds that t word "Cento" is probably the Lith-nian form of the French "Centime."

MAURITIUS.—Mr. R. Roberts sends us t following new items from this ony; 6c purple, arms type; 10c grey, ns type; 12c red, King George type; 2 blue, arms type, all on script water-rked paper.

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MEMEL.—Mr. J. L. Riedel advises that although the Air Service was stopped Oct. 18th a new set of ten stamps surcharged "Luftpost" has been issued.

NEW ZEALAND.—Mr. William M. McFarlan calls attention to the appearance of a new metered mail stamp for Wellington. It is similar in appearance to the last one noted and is printed in red with the black Wellington machine cancellation.

1898 PROP. CANCELLATIONS.

By FRANKLIN S. SMITH.

The J. Ellwood Lee Co. cancellations are also attractive and the number of true varieties is smaller with no minor ones other than perforation, although oddities and freaks are many. There are thirty-six printed varieties, including a set of six inverts of 1900, and a set with no dates, on all of the twelve values, evidently essays. Previous to the monogram cancellations hand-stamps were used and also printed cancellations with various dates and different fonts of type during July, 1898.

Of the dates on the private dies of the Emerson Drug Co., there are at least seventy on the ¼c, thirty-nine on the ⅝c, thirty-eight on the 1¼c, and thirty-eight on the 2½c. The only other private dies bearing printed cancellations are those of Lanman & Kemp. Thirty-two on ⅝c, six on 1¼c and twenty-four on 1⅞c. There are also hand-stamped cancellations on the ⅝c and 1¼c regular issue, and on all three private dies.

Dr. Jayne & Son used four distinct types of printed cancellation. Type I has Roman letters and figures; Type II, heavy, ornamented letters and figures; Type III, tall letters and small figures; Type IV, hair-line letters and figures. There are many varieties of each caused by using initials of one type and figures of another. All of the first three types are found on the same pane, showing that the printer used several fonts in setting up the form. There are also many varieties with figures from still other fonts inserted in the dates here and there, and several varieties with a capital I instead of a figure 1, and also a 9 from a heavier faced font. A curious variety is found on Type IV 9, 1, '99, ⅛c, ¼c and ⅜c. The ⅛c is roulette, and the ¼ and ⅜c are hyphen-hole perf. which was not done until after December, 1899. They therefore must have been "back-dated" for some reason known to the proprietors. As in almost all the cancellations of large users of the stamps, there are missing letters and punctuation marks, doubles, and inverts.

The cancellations of G. H. Mumm & Co., made in January, February, and March, 1902, were due to the fact that the tax on wines did not cease until June 30, 1902, when the entire War Revenue was repealed.

The majority of the 4c stamps were used by the makers of chewing-gum who affixed the stamps to the large packages sold to the dealers. The ⅛c T. B. D. CO. was used on "Sen Sen Gum" and the 2c in pairs bear that name in a type-written cancellation.

The R. C. Co. cancellations were used on "RIPANS Tablets," the letters being the initials of the ingredients used. Rhubarb, Ipecac, Peppermint, Aloes, Nux Vomica, Soda.

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It is interesting to note that cancellations of many of the previous issues of proprietary stamps are found on this issue, and forty-four of those who had their private medicine and perfumery dies during the Civil War period of taxation used the latter. All the owners of the private dies of 1898 used them with the exception of Branca Bros.

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By L. H. BRIGHAM.

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The illustration of this stamp is very quickly located three pages farther on, directly following the 1905 issue and just preceding the 1907 issue. The reference number beneath the illustration is A-11. We locate this reference directly beneath the illustration and find the stamp described in detail.

A little study of the stamp itself also supplies us with some very probable additional information. We find the date 1605 on one side of the stamp and 1905 on the opposite side, The Olive Blossom being in the center of the stamp, between the two dates.

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The border design about the sides of the stamp consists of upright trees, at the foot of which luxuriant palms are flourishing. This tells us that vegetation in the Barbados is evidently of the tropical variety. We also find the words "Postage" and "Revenue" on the stamp, which means that the stamp could be used for revenue purposes as well as for postage. (This is true of the majority of the British Colonial stamps).

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Editorial.

Contributions to this dept. are now in order, so if you can shake a humorous self filler don't be backward about coming forward with your best efforts, either prose or poetry as you may elect.

They say, that he who can grow a smile where a smile never grew before deserves credit, therefore, as we want to grow miles of smiles, we must have lots of credit-ors.

Tickling the funny-bone has been the means of putting many big things over, and it will help to make Philately more attractive and boost our hobby, so please remember this—

If you can't be a pine on the top of the hill,
Be a scrub in the valley—but be
The best little scrub by the side of the rill;
Be a bush, if you can't be a tree.
If you can't be a sun, be a star—
Be the best little booster whatever you are.

Luke McGluke Goes On a Stamp Hunt.

Hank Hawkins who lives just over the hill from me here in Slippery Hollow is a stamp collector. Hank has been gatherin adhesives since before Henry Ford discovered Detroit, and he is a funny cuss, believe me, a stamp catalogue would be as much Greek to him as the Bible would to a Hotentot. Hank he dont believe in buyin stamps at Auction sales or from Dealers like most of us fellers does, he sez its a durn sight more excitin to go huntin fur them in their hidin places, so when Hank aint playin Barn-yard golf he's generaly snoopin around in the out of the way places always hopin, and always thinkin that some day he will make a BIG FIND like he has been dreamin about for the last thirty year.

Some times I think that he can smell um cuz he sure does find a lot of them. but so far Hank hasn't made that Big Find. Now Hank has one of them Detroit Stem Wind Models, got it third hand to start with, and has spent the price of a Packard I guess keepin it in shape to run at all, but Hank is sure some proud of this Gas Bath Tub, he calls it his little PUDDLE JUMPER, why just the other day he bought it a new Bonnet and a set of Shock Exterminators as he calls 'um.

About every new moon Hank gets a hunch or a clue of some kind to some old U S Stamps that are hidin out from him and when he gets the fever nothin can stop him, no siree.

The other day Hank came over to my place all excited, Say Luke sez he, do you want to take a ride with me out east aways, I just got wind of a big bunch of Civil War Revenues on the 'riginal dockyments, a whole trunk full, one of them thare hair kivered ones sez Hank, his eyes bulgin out of his head.

Sure thing, Sez I, hopin he's tellin the truth, so I climbed in and we set sail out Oak Lane makin more noise than an Airy-Plane trying to climb over a cloud. We hadn't gone much more than a mile when I smelt a funny oder, so I looked and saw that Hank had his shoes on, so I sez Hank, What do you burn in this Go-As-You-Please? Half an Half sez Hank, lookin straight ahead. Excuse me, Sez I, It smells like Cod Liver Oil. She aint hitting very good sez Hank, Well she aint missin much sez I hangin on with both hands and my teeth. Oh shes a rattlin good car sez Hank, I hear she is sez I, but why dont you buy a silencer for it. I would sez Hank only she's got the In-Flu-End-Ways, I hope she flies side-ways sez I cuz I got a cinder in my eye now. I think the clutch is slippin sez Hank, So is my Adams apple sez I, tryin to swallow the darn thing. Well, we didn't go much further before we came to a big brick farm house settin way back from the road, This is the place sez Hank, hoppin out. Alright sez I climbin out as fast as I could.

Now it seems that the people that lived here was a sort of second cousins to his wifes aunt and had lived in this same house for the last 50 years or more, and always had had lots of kale and owned a great deal of land, and like most of the early settlers never threw anything away on purpose. So as Hank was sort of a relation I let him do the talkin and he could do it believe me.

After explainin what we was there for, the old man took us out to an old shed that had a loft to it and sure enuf there was the old hair covered trunk.

I was gettin excited about this time cuz I could see 5 and 10c—47s a dancin before my eyes, in pairs and strips on cover too, but from the wild look I seen in Hanks eye's I guess he was seein St. Louis Bares or somthin like 'um. But as the trunk was locked we decided to take it down and outside to open it, which operation I figured would'nt take long from the way Hank was a breethin, and I was usein only one lung myself I guess.

Hank got busy with a crow bar and it was only a minute that seemed like an hour to me before she popped open, and what a sight it was, I have seen some curious sights but I never saw anything that beat this I'll tell the world.

There they was, a whole trunk full of old letters and legal dockyments and you could see that they had lots of stamps stuck on them, sometime. but right down in the center of that old hair covered trunk was the most enticin, niftiest, and comfortable rats nest that I ever saw, and there was'nt so much as a 3c 57. in the whole trunk that was worth keepin. Hank was so darned mad that he stepped on Lizzies tail all of the way home.

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Once upon a midnight dreary while I
pondered weak and weary
Over many a bulging stockbook of the
stamps I'd bought before.
While I wished that I were napping,
suddenly there came a rapping
As of someone gently tapping, tapping
on my office door
'Tis some bug on stamps, I muttered,
only this and nothing more.

Oh distinctly I remember it was in the
mild November
When I realized I'd been bitten as I
never was before.
Then the catalog appearing a dread time
that we'd been fearing
Wondering of the news it carried, of
the stock we bought of yore;
Would they, rise to heights untold of,
as they'd often done before;
This I thot and nothing more.

But on now the pages turning, colored
pictures not worth burning
Lifted up their faces to me where good
stamps had been before.
How they grinned and gibbered at me!
dragons smirked and shimmered at
me,
Saying where's the yen and paso's that
you should have had once more?
While outside the tapping, tapping was
increased and nothing more,
Only this and nothing more.

'Tis some customer, I muttered, who had
tho't his bread was buttered
And had hoped the stamps I sold him
would increase for evermore.
Now he hastens to demand that I take
them off his hand,
Or upon my head he'll land with a brick
and nothing more,
A brick taken from my floor.

But on opening wide the portal, I beheld
a fellow mortal
Who was stung as bad as I was and was
certainly sore.
Won't you take these from my stock for
a quarter of a rock?
Use them as you would gummed stickers or for papering your store?
Won't you take a few mint copies,
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With the dealer, nevermore.

—C. H. H., Wis.

Lena Ginster. Not.

A bit of tulle,
A yard of silk.
A little skin
As white as milk.

A little strap,
How dare she breathe!
A little cough—
Good evening—*EVE.*

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50r, No. 49 ..... .07
r, No. 50 ..... .03
5r, No. 51 ..... .10
5r, No. 52 ..... .02
5r, No. 53 ..... .02
, No. 55 ..... *.05
0r, No. 57 ..... .02
25r, No. 58 ..... .10
0r, No. 59 ..... .03
0r, No. 61 ..... .50
00r, No. 66 ..... .35
5r, No. 69 ..... *.15
0r, No. 70 ..... *.15
00r, No. 75 ..... .05
, No. 79 ..... *.03
, No. 81 ..... *.03
0r, No. 82 ..... *.15
0r, No. 83 ..... .10
0r, No. 84 ..... .08
0r, No. 85 ..... *1.00
45r, No. 86 ..... .12
0r, No. 87 ..... *1.25
5r, No. 97 ..... .05
75r, No. 103 ..... .50
00r, No. 107 ..... *1.00
45r, No. 113 ..... .20
25r, No. 115 ..... .10
50r, No. 116 ..... .10

PORTUGUESE CONGO.

898
5r, No. 16 ..... .25
0r, No. 20 ..... .50
0r, No. 21 ..... .50
50r, No. 23 ..... .65
902-14
.15r on 50r (33) .25
130r on 5r (34) .25
.30r on 75r (35) .25
30r on 100r(36) .25
400r on 80r (37) .63
900r on 150r(38) .63
00r on 200r (39) .63

PORTUGUESE INDIA.

882-98
½r, No. 162 ... .03
½r, No. 163 ... .05
5r, No. 164 ..... .04
, No. 165 ..... *.05
, No. 166 ..... *.06
2r, No. 181 .... *.05
½r, No. 189 ... .04
½r, No. 190 ... .05
902-14
2r, No. 230 .... *.03
, No. 231 ..... .03
, No. 232 ..... .03
2t, No. 236 ... 1.25
, No. 239 ..... *.40
rp. No. 241 .... .50
rp, No. 242 .... 1.00
r to 2½r, Nos.
244 to 247, ea. .02
*50r, No. 43 ..... .20
*2½r, No. 54 .... .10
*5r, No. 55 ..... .15
*15r, No. 57 ..... .25
*25r on 200r (58) .25
*¼c to 1e, Nos.
99 to 104 ..... .90
*50r, No. 118 .... .15
75r, No. 120 ..... *.50
*200r, No. 122 ... .50
*50r, No. 124 ... .35
*75r, No. 125 .... .35
50r on 65r (126) .65
*3r, No. 248 ..... .03
*4½r, No. 249 ... .03
*1rp, No. 258 .... .40
*2rp, No. 259 .... .65
*1r on 1r (283) .03
*1r on 2r (283b) .05
*1r on 1t (284) .05
*1r on 5t (285) .05
1½r/4½r (285b) *.06
*1½r, No. 290 ... .04
*4½r, No. 291 ... .03
*6r, No. 292 ..... .04
*9r, No. 293 ..... .03
*1t, No. 294 ..... .04
*1½r/4½r (376) .03
*1½r on 9r (377) .08
*1½r on 12t (378) .15
*3r on 1t (379) .06
*3r on 4t (388) .06

MACAO.

1884-1900
*5r, No. 1 ..... .68
*10r, No. 2 ..... .40
*20r, No. 3 ..... .50
*25r, No. 4 ..... .10
40r, No. 5 ..... .65
*100r, No. 7 ..... .25
200r, No. 8 ..... *.30
*300r, No. 9 ..... .25
*20r, No. 12 ..... .50
*25r, No. 13 ..... .15
*50r, No. 15 ..... .15
80r, No. 16 ..... *.30
*20r on 50r (20) .30
*5r on 25r (22) .25
*5r on 80r (24) .30
20r on 80r (28) *.50
5r, No. 35 ..... *.05
10r, No. 36 ..... .06
20r, No. 37 ..... .13
80r, No. 41 ..... .30
10r, No. 47 ..... *.15
15r, No. 48 ..... *.30
20r, No. 49 ..... *.25
*25r, No. 50 ..... .25
*½a, No. 67 ..... .05
1a, No. 68 ..... *.05
*2a, No. 69 ..... .06
*4a, No. 70 ..... .10
*8a, No. 71 ..... .20
*16a, No. 72 ..... .25
*24a, No. 74 ..... .40
2a, No. 77 ..... *.08
4a, No. 80 ..... *.20
*8a, No. 81 ..... .20
*13a, No. 83 ..... .35
*16a, No. 84 ..... .20
*24a, No. 85 ..... .65
31a, No. 86 ..... *.65
*5a on 13a (89) .12
*10a on 16a (90) .20
*15a on 24a (91) .25
5a, No. 93 ..... *.25
10a, No. 94 ..... .20
*20a, No. 96 ..... .35
*78a, No. 97 ..... 1.00
1902 Surcharged.
*6a on 5r (109) .10
*6a on 10r (110) .10
*6a on 15r (111) .10
*6a on 25r (112) .10
*6a on 80r (113) .10
*6a on 100r (114) .10
*6a on 200r (115) .10
1870-98
*300r, No. 9 ..... .18
*25r, No. 12 ..... .08
*20r, No. 28 ..... .20
*25r, No. 29 ..... .15
*50r, No. 30 ..... .15
1902-13
*400r on 50r (72) .55
*400r on 200r(73) .63
*400r/2½r (74) .63
*15r, No. 75 ..... .25
*25r, No. 76 ..... .10
*20r, No. 106 .... .03
*2½r on 15r (113) .75
*5r on 15r (114) .35
*10r on 15r (115) .35
*30c, No. 130 .... .28
*40c, No. 131 .... .38
1914-19
*10r, No. 134 .... 1.50
*15r, No. 135 .... .75
*20r, No. 136 .... .13
*75r, No. 137 .... .13
18a on 20r (116) *.30
18a on 50r (117) *.30
*18a on 75r (118) .30
*18a on 150r(119) .30
*18a on 300r(120) .30
*18a on 2½r(121) .30
*4a, No. 123 ..... .20
*8a, No. 124 ..... .15
10a, No. 125 ..... *.15
12a, No. 126 ..... *.60
1903-15
2a, No. 127 ..... *.04
*3a, No. 128 ..... .08
4a, No. 129 ..... *.10
5a, No. 130 ..... *.15
*6a, No. 131 ..... .15
*8a, No. 132 ..... .15
*13a, No. 135 .... .15
18a, No. 137 ..... *.50
31a, No. 139 ..... *.50
*47a, No. 140 .... .50
10a on 12a (141) *.20
*½a, No. 144 .... .30
*1a, No. 145 ..... .30
2a, No. 146 ..... .30
½a, No. 147 ..... .02
*1a, No. 147a .... .02
*2a, No. 148 ..... .03
*3a, No. 149 ..... .03
*4a, No. 150 ..... .05
*5a, No. 151 ..... .07
*8a, No. 152 ..... .65
*8a, No. 153 ..... .06
*10a, No. 154 .... .10
*13a, No. 155 .... .10
*16a, No. 156 .... .13
*1a on 5r (158) .20
*½a on 5a (206) .22
4a on 8a, No. 207 .63
*8a, No. 239 ..... .10
Newspapers
2½r on 40r (301) *.05
2½r on 80r (302) *.12
2½r on 10r (303) *.05
2½r, No. 304 ....* .04
½a on 2½r (305) *.04
1919 War Tax.
*2a, No. 351 ..... .04
*9a, No. 352 ..... .08
*11a, No. 353 .... .10
1914 Postage Due.
*4a, No. 426 ..... .20
*8a, No. 427 ..... .35
*12a, No. 429 .... .35

ANGOLA.

1870-98
*100r, No. 138 ... .20
*500r, No. 141 ... .75
*115r/10r (143) 1.50
*115r/200r (144) 2.50
*130r/75r (149) .50
*130r/300r (150) .50
*50r, No. 152 .... .10
*75r, No. 153 .... .38
*50r on 65r (154) .50
*15c on 150r (172) .20
*115r on 10r (181) .13
*115r/200r (182) .13
*130r/100r (183) .15
*115r on 80r (184) .13
*115r/100r (185) .13
*115r/150r (186) .13
*130r/15r (187) .15
*130r/75r (188) .15
*130r/300r (189) .15
*½c on 75r (192) .15
*2½c/100r (194) .15
*½c on 75r (195) .15
*2½c/100r (196) .15

ANGRA.

1896-98
25r, No. 19 ..... .03
*80r, No. 22 ..... .18
*150r, No. 23 .... .15
*65r, No. 28 ..... .15
*115r, No. 29 .... .18
*130r, No. 30 .... .20
*180r, No. 31 .... .25

AZORES.

1871-98
25r, No. 25 ..... .13
50r, No. 52 ..... .18
25r, No. 62 ..... .05
*2½r, No. 78 .... .25
*2½r, No. 93 .... .04
*5r, No. 94 ..... .05
10r, No. 95 ..... *.08
25r, No. 96 ..... *.10
50r, No. 97 ..... *.15
75r, No. 98 ..... *.20
100r, No. 99 ..... *.30
150r, No. 100 .... *.38
1906-11
50r, No. 106 ..... .05
*25r, No. 117a ... .13
*200r, No. 122 ... .30
*300r, No. 123 ... .38

AZORES—Continued.

*500r, No. 124 ... .65
*1000r, No. 125 1.25
*2½r, No. 141 ... 25
*15r on 5r (142) .04
*25r, No. 143 .... .04
*50r, No. 144 .... .06
*75r, No. 145 .... .12
*80r/150r (146) .12
*100r, No. 147 ... .15
*1000r, No. 148 1.00
*5r, No. 149 ..... .03
*10r, No. 150 .... .03
*20r, No. 151 .... .05
200r, No. 152 .... *.40
300r/50r (153) *.40
500r/100r (154) *.50

CAPE VERDE.

1911-2 Republica.
*2½r, No. 85 .... .03
*5r, No. 86 ..... .03
*10r, No. 87 ..... .06
*15r, No. 88 ..... .07
*20r, No. 89 ..... .10
25r, No. 90 ..... *.08
50r, No. 91 ..... *.13
*75r, No. 92 ..... .10
*100r, No. 93 .... .10
*115r, No. 94 15
*130r, No. 95 .... .15
*200r, No. 96 .... .20
*400r, No. 97 .... .40
*500r, No. 98 .... .43
*700r, No. 99 .... .50
25r, No. 104 ..... .03
50r, No. 105 ..... .05

FUNCHAL.

1896-1905
*10r, No. 15 ..... .02
15r, No. 16 ..... *.20
65r, No. 27 ..... .10
*115r, No. 28 .... .12
*130r, No. 29 .... .15

GUINEA.

1881-94
*20r, No. 10 ..... .10
*25r, No. 11 ..... .08
50r, No. 14 ..... *.18
100r, No. 15 ..... *.20
10r, No. 18 ..... *.15
*20r, No. 19 ..... .15
*25r, No. 20 ..... .08
*40r, No. 21 ..... .10
*5r, No. 22 ..... .08
*5r, No. 32 ..... .10
*10r, No. 33 ..... .15
1902-19
*15r, No. 82 ..... .10
*50r on 65r (94) .15
*10r, No. 97 ..... .04
*75r, No. 102 .... .12
*115r, No. 104 ... .15
*15r, No. 110 .... 1.00
75r, No. 11 ..... *.75
15r, No. 114 .....*1.50
75r, No. 115 .....*1.00
*½c to 5c, Nos.
140 to 146, ea. .02
*7½c, No. 147 ... .03
*10c, No. 149 .... .03
*15c, No. 150 .... .05
*20c, No. 151 .... .06
*30c, No. 152 .... .10
*40c, No. 153 .... .12
*50c, No. 154 .... .13
*1e, No. 155 ..... .30

HORTA.

1892-98
*5r, No. 1 ..... .10
*10r, No. 2 ..... .15
65r, No. 27 ..... .10

INHAMBANE.

1917 Republica.
*2½r, No. 89 .... 2.50
*5r, No. 89a 2.50
*15r, No. 90 ..... .50
*20r, No. 91 ..... .10
*200r, No. 97 .... .50
*400r, No. 98 .... .50
*500r, No. 99 .... .63
*700r, No. 100 ... .75
1902-14
*75r, No. 23 ..... .20
*50r on 65r (47) 1.00
15c on 24a (55) .20
10c on 16a (70) .13
*¼c to 1e, Nos.
72 to 87 ..... 1.00

LOURENZO MARQUES.

1901-14
50r on 75r (48) .38
500r, No. 49 ..... .38
*130r on 80r (58) .43
50r, No. 66 ..... .25
50r on 65r (76) *.20
*25r, No. 82 ..... .07
*50r, No. 83 ..... .08
*75r, No. 84 ..... .10
*100r, No. 85 .... .10
15c on 150r (107) .20
15c on 24a (115) .20
*20c, No. 127 .... .10
*30c, No. 128 .... .12
*40c, No. 129 .... .15
*50c, No. 130 .... .20
1914-16 Republica.
115r on 10r (132) .25
130r on 25r (135) .25
130r on 150r (137) .25
*2c on 15r (144) .30
*2c on 15r (145) .30
15r, No. 146 ..... .05
*115r, No. 150 ... .18
400r, No. 153 .... .50
500r, No. 154 .... .50
700r, No. 155 .... .75
400r on 50r (156) .75
400r on 75r (157) .38
1917 Charity.
*¼c, No. 301 .... .38
*½c, No. 302 .... .50
*1c, No. 303 ..... .50
*2½c, No. 304 ... .38
*5c, No. 305 ..... .63
*10c, No. 306 .... .75
*20c on 1½c (307) .75
*30c, No. 308 .... .75
*40c on 2c (309) .75
*50c on 7½c (310) .75
*70c, No. 311 .... .75
*$1 on 15c (312) .75

MOZAMBIQUE.

1877-1915
*25r, No. 4 ..... .04
*100r, No. 7 ..... .05
300r, No. 9 ..... *.25
*10r, No. 10 ..... .08
*50r, No. 14 ..... .05
75r, No. 30 ..... .50
80r, No. 57 ..... .50
15c on 150r (140) .20
10c on 16a (147) .13
*75r, No. 172 .... .50
*2½c on 5c (196) .38
2½c on 5c (197) .08
1916-18 War Tax
1c, No. 325 ..... .05
1c, No. 327 ..... .05
1916 Postage Due.
*200r, No. 479 ... 1.00

MOZAMBIQUE COMPANY.

1892
20r to 100r, Nos.
3 to 7, each.... *.05
*200r, No. 8 ..... .06
*300r, No. 9 ..... .08
1894
*2½r, No. 9a .... .03
*5r, No. 10 ..... .08
*10r, No. 11 08
*15r, No. 12 ..... .08
*100r, No. 38 .... .38
*15r, No. 38b 1.50
*25r on 75r (39) .50
*25r on 5r (40) .50
*50r, No. 41 ..... .40
1903-21
*65r, No. 42 ..... .40
*115r, No. 43 .... .40
*130r, No. 44 .... .40
*400r, No. 45 .... .60
*700r, No. 46 .... .60
65r to 700r, Nos.
42 to 46, each .30
2½r, No. 75b .... *.02
5r, No. 76 ..... *.02
10r, No. 77 ..... .02
15r, No. 78 ..... .03
20r, No. 79 ..... .03
25r, No. 80 ..... .04
50r, No. 81 ..... .07
75r, No. 82 ..... .08
100r, No. 83 ..... .08
400r, No. 87 ..... *.30
1½r, No. 111 .... .02
2r, No. 112 ..... .02
5r, No. 115 ..... .04
8r, No. 118 ..... .05

MOZAMBIQUE CO.—Continued.

*20r, No. 13 ..... .08
*25r, No. 14 ..... .08
*50r, No. 15 ..... .15
*75r, No. 16 ..... .12
*80r, No. 17 ..... .12
*100r, No. 18 .... .12
150r, No. 19 ..... .08
150r, No. 19 ..... .15
*200r, No. 20 .... .20
200r, No. 20 ..... .08
*300r, No. 21 .... .20
300r, No. 21 ..... .08
*500r, No. 22 .... .40
500r, No. 22 ..... .13
*1000r, No. 23 ... .50
1000r, No. 23 .... .15
1895-1900 Surcharged.
*50r, No. 25 ..... .25
*2½, No. 26 ..... .15
*50r, No. 27 ..... .25
*200r, No. 28 .... .50
*300r, No. 29 .... .50
*5r, No. 30 ..... .15
*10r, No. 32 15
*20r, No. 34 ..... .25
*75r, No. 35 ..... .25
*25r, No. 36 ..... .25

NYASSA.

1901-10
50r, No. 32 ..... .04
80r, No. 34 ..... .05
100r, No. 35 ..... .06
150r, No. 36 ..... .06
200r, No. 37 ..... .06
300r, No. 38 ..... .06
65r on 80r (39) .05
115r, No. 40 ..... .05
130r, No. 41 ..... .05
15r, No. 42 ..... .05
25r, No. 43 ..... .05
*65r on 80r (44) .50
*115r/150r (45) .75
*130r/300r (46) .90
5r on 2½r (49) *.20
50r on 100r (50) .50
1911
*2½r-20r, Nos.
51 to 54, each .02
*25r, No. 55 ..... .03
*50r, No. 56 ..... .04
*75r, No. 57 ..... .05
*100r, No. 58 .... .06
*200r, No. 59 .... .13
*300r, No. 60 .... .15
*400r, No. 61 .... .20
*500r, No. 62 .... .25
1919
*8c on 80r (71) .12
*20c on 200c (74) .25
1921
*¼c to 10c, Nos.
94 to 105, each .02
*15c, No. 106 .... .03
*20c, No. 107 .... .03
*30c, No. 108 .... .06
*40c, No. 109 .... .08
*50c, No. 110 .... .10
*1e, No. 111 ..... .20

QUELIMANE.

*1914, ¼c to 1e, Nos. 25 to 40 ..... 1.50

ST. THOMAS AND PRINCE ISLANDS.

1869-95
*25r, No. 4 ..... .05
*100r, No. 7 ..... .50
*25r, No. 12 ..... .10
*50r, No. 14 ..... .10
50r, No. 32 ..... .13
1911-13 Republica.
15r, No. 94 ..... .06
20r, No. 95 ..... .07
25r, No. 96 ..... .07
*20r, No. 119 .... .25
*25r, No. 120 .... 1.00
*75r, No. 121 .... .38
*200r, No. 125 ... 1.25
*400r, No. 126 ... 1.00
*500r, No. 127 ... 1.00
*75r, No. 146 .... .30
*100r, No. 147 ... .25
*130r, No. 149 ... .30
*400r, No. 151 ... .75
*500r, No. 152 ... 1.00
*700r, No. 153 ... 1.50
*115r/150r (160) .50
*115r/200r (161) .50
*15r, No. 167 .... .20
*50r on 65r (169) .20
1914-19
*¼c to 1e, Nos.
194 to 209 ..... 1.00
*2½c on 15r (225) .38
*1c on 2½r (227) .80
*2c on ¼c (230) .80

TETE.

1914
*20c, No. 36 ..... .10
*30c, No. 37 ..... .15
*40c, No. 38 ..... .20
*50c, No. 39 ..... .25
*1e, No. 40 ..... .50

TIMOR.

1885-1913
*10r, No. 2 ..... .75
*3a, No. 92 ..... .08
*13a, No. 99 ..... .25
*2a, No. 108 ..... .02
*5a on 50r (122) .50
*6a on 2½r (123) .50
*9a on 15r (125) .25
*3a, No. 129 ..... .50
*½a, No. 148 .... .08
*1a, No. 149 ..... .06
*2a, No. 150 ..... .03

ZAMBESIA.

1911 Republica.
*2½r to 20r, Nos.
54 to 58, each .02
*25r, No. 59 ..... .04
*50r, No. 60 ..... .04
*75r, No. 61 ..... .05
*100r, No. 62 .... .05
*115r, No. 63 .... .06
*130r, No. 64 .... .10
*200r, No. 65 .... .13
*400r, No. 66 .... .25
*500r, No. 67 .... .30
*700r, No. 68 .... .40
115r on 25r (85) .10
115r on 80r (86) .10
130r on 75r (87) .10
130r on 2½r (92) .10
*2½r, No. 95 .... .20
*5r, No. 96 ..... .56
*10r, No. 97 ..... .50
*15r, No. 98 ..... .75
*20r, No. 99 ..... .50
100r, No. 101 .... .25
400r, No. 105 .... .50

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THE COLLECTOR.

By STEPHEN G. RICH.

You can't differentiate psychologically etween the collector of stamps, the ollector of insects and the collector of ollars. It is pretty well agreed that e have two innate or instinctive ten- encies among many others. These are alled acquisition and possession and ollecting and hoarding. I venture to y that there is hardly one individual a hundred who does not form around iese instincts the habit and the liking or some form of collecting. With some iese are weak; with some circumstances revent a high degree of development; ith some the collection takes the form f accumulating a bank balance and ecurities, and so forth.

The various kinds of collecting are so all akin, in that in pursuing the bjects to which habit has attached the wo instincts involved the happy col- ctor is bound to pick up a lot of infor- ation—possibly useful. As a collector the postage stamp line acquires a wide range of facts as to geography and as to historical persons, so does a collector of dragon flies acquire a knowledge of geography, the history of exploration, the museums of the world and the like. The collector of wealth gets practical knowledge from his financial work.

When we come to the educational implications, however, there is general muddlement, indeed. It is taken for granted that because a collector of beetles learns to arrange his collection in orderly fashion that therefore he has learned order and neatness. But there is not a shadow of evidence to show that order or neatness transfer from a cabinet of insects to the care of the clothing, or from a stamp collection to the writing of letters, or from a coin collection to keeping one's room neat and orderly.

It is also taken for granted that one learns observation by the pursuit of collecting. Maybe. But here again the educationalist asks: "Observation of what kind of things?" Observation is not a general power at all, but is a number of rather definite sets of habits and sets of directings of attention. I venture to say that there is not one stamp collector in ten who has, because of his observation learned on stamps, ever noticed more accurately how the hoops on the tanks on top of most business buildings are arranged. I venture to say that the collector of wealth, keen in observing wealth to be collected, and observing well the amount he can get in any given situation, is not thereby rendered one bit more accurate in observing the results of different kinds of tires in preventing autos from skidding on wet days.

I am a collector, I enjoy collecting. I have learned hundreds of useful facts from my collecting. But it was not until I had become a collector of several different things, and had been at them each for some years, that I found myself developing any general habits of order and observation—and then these were only the adding together of the habits I had learned from collecting stamps, street-car transfers, postmarks, dragon flies, herbarium specimens and libraries on two other subjects.—*N. Y. Times.*

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THE CHOICE STAMPS OF BRITISH GUIANA.

By A. D. FERGUSON, in the *British Guiana Philatelic Journal.*

The recent dispersal in Paris of many of the rarities of British Guiana stamps from the Ferrari Collection, brings to light numbers of these stamps which had been hidden away for decades, the existence of some had even been forgotten. They have in fact been re-found and let us hope be more available for study.

The story of the wonderful finds of these stamps and their marvelous rise in value is one of the romances of stamp collecting.

British Guiana is one of the most famous stamp-issuing countries in the world. More rarities have emanated from this small colony than from any other. Further they were all issued in the early days of the postage stamp before anyone had conceived the idea of collecting, and are therefore pure and free from any suspicion whatever. Although not possessing the artistic merits of the Mauritius "Post Office," these crude, primitive stamps of 1850, commonly called "cotton reels," are looked upon with great pride by collectors who are fortunate enough to possess any.

There are early records of persons accumulating quantities of the English penny stamps for such odd purposes as papering rooms, etc., but it was not until the sixties that we find any authentic records of stamp collecting on the lines that we now recognise as philately—the collection of the postage issues of all stamp issuing countries and their systematic arrangement. During the following decade, the pursuit had gained considerable ground and we find there were collectors in all parts of the world. It was during the earliest period, the sixties, that collecting was begun in this colony. One of the earliest collectors was Mr. Alpin Grant (Hope and Experiment, Berbice) who collected in a Lallier album in 1863, or earlier, many others must have collected in these early years but there is no record of it. In the seventies the more prominent were, J. Tengely, N. R. McKinnon, Captain E. MacLeod, B. V. Abraham, jnr., J. T. Whitehead, C. Cox, the Kings, W. Pickel, J. Rodway, L. V. Vaughan, C. G. A. Wyatt, M. Garnett, later came J. W. Dorman, E. C. Luard, W. A. Abraham, B. H. Jones, Archdeacon Josa and numbers of others.

Up to about 1876 very few of the early Guianas were known. Dr. P. J. Anderson, of Aberdeen, remembers exchanging an 1850, 8c green in 1865 for stamps to the value of 7/6. Ten years later it is recorded that P. L. Pemberton obtained £84 for two of the circulars on thin paper. Evidently these comparatively large sums obtained, together with the advertisements of English dealers in the local newspapers, acted as an incentive to searchers for stamps. The result was that many searches were made from 1876 on, among private letters, in banks, merchants' offices, Government offices, etc., as opportunity offered, with the result that hundreds of the early issues were found. In some cases these searches were made, without permission, by clerks, office-boys, etc., and were promptly sold on the spot. Messrs. N. R. McKinnon, C. G. A. Wyatt and M. Garnett were the chief purchasers at that time, for whom these large finds passed into the hands of English dealers. Mr. L. V. Vaughan, who was fortunate in finding a large number of these stamps at this time remembers selling them at a uniform price of $5 each, irrespective of denomination or issue. A fair price in those days for the cheaper values, as S. Gibbons' catalogue for 1882 prices the 1850 12c at 40s, the 1852 1c and 4c at 20s and 30s and the 1856, 4c at 80s.

It must be remembered that the earliest issues of British Guiana were not available for postage abroad, which was defrayed by British stamps. Not until 1860, when the Imperial Government handed over the administration of postal affairs to the British Guiana Government, were British Guiana stamps available for postage abroad. For this purpose the 1860 issue was made. In this connection, an article in another part of this number on "Anthony Trollope and his Postal Mission" is instructive.

It was therefore natural that the issues of the colony prior to 1860 were practically unknown to persons abroad and even to collectors in the colony. This accounts for the mystery that enshrouded them up to recent dates. But for the careful and systematic filing away of old correspondence by many old residents the comparatively small number now in existence would have been lost to philatelists.

Stamp collecting in the early days was in a very primitive condition. The rarities were there but condition and mounting was of very little importance, hence our finding so many rare stamps torn, trimmed, and in many cases gummed in the Lallier or Oppens album. Sometimes the stamps had become so brittle from the chemical effect of the mucilage used that the slightest effort to remove them from the page broke the stamp in pieces.

1850 ISSUE.

This issue which comprises the 4c yellow, 8c green and 12c blue, circulars, were found by the dozens in the late seventies and eighties. The highest value being the most plentiful of these rarities, this would be accounted for by the fact that the bulk of correspondence was between the two chief towns, Georgetown and New Amsterdam, the postage rate between which was 12 cents.

They are all scarce stamps, but their value largely depends on their condition, and this was greatly emphasised at the two Paris sales where superb specimens fetched two and three times the catalogue value.

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The first copy of the two cents circular was found by Mr. N. R. McKinnon in 1877. This he sold to T. Ridpath, of Liverpool, from whom it passed into the Ferrari collection.

Later in this year three other copies were found. One was purchased by the late Judge Philbrick in 1878, for £20; the earliest recorded price in England for this rarity. This specimen, no doubt, also passed into the collection of Ferrari when he purchased Judge Philbrick's collection in 1880.

Of these four existing single specimens it is known that one copy at least is in the Ferrari collection and one in the British Museum while the location of the other two specimens are not known with certainty.

The rise in value is shown by the recorded sale in 1887 of a copy for £75, and in 1893 a specimen realized £210.

Twelve years elapsed before two more of these stamps were discovered. In the late eighties Mr. J. W. Dorman, late manager of the Demerara Railway Co., and Mr. E. C. Luard, then manager of the sugar plantation La Bonne Intention, both collectors, came in the field as purchasers of rare Guianas. The former had a long standing advertisement in the local newspaper offering to buy a copy of the 2c rose for $500, but he did not obtain one. Mr. Luard, on the other hand, had all the luck. He purchased all the existing pairs. Both these gentlemen had opportunities during the extension of the Demerara East Coast Railway to Berbice, to visit the various villages and estates along the coast, and made systematic enquiries for old stamps, with the result that they were rewarded by obtaining from several of the old residents many specimens of the early rare Guianas from 1850 to 1856.

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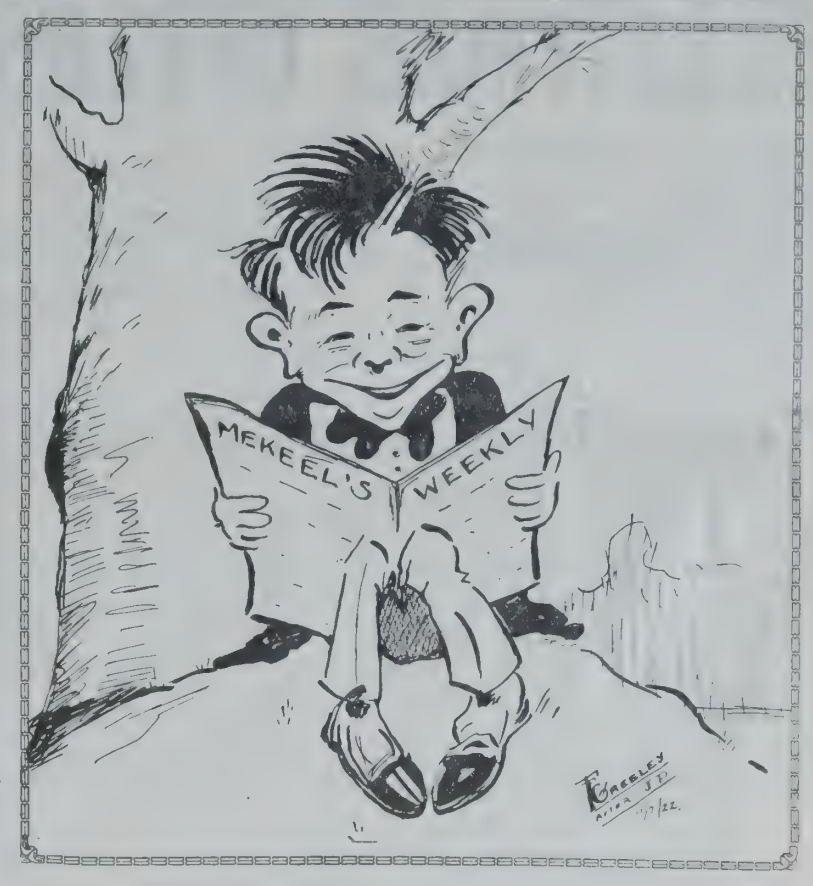

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In 1888 the first pair of 2c rose was unearthed and purchased by Mr. Luard. This came from Mr. T. M. Gordon as he recollects selling a pair of stamps to Mr. Luard about that time, or from Mrs. Barlow, also a resident of the Mahaica district, who sold many rare Guianas to Mr. Luard at this period. This pair, Mr. Luard disposed of to Pemberton, Wilson & Co., who sold it to Ferrari for £175 in 1889. It was a very poor specimen having a large triangular piece torn out of one stamp, as the illustration shows. This pair fetched £1,410 (60,000 francs plus 17½% tax) at the 2nd Ferrari Sale in October.

The second pair, illustrated above, was also purchased by Mr. Luard in 1896 from Archdeacon Josa for $1,005, re-sold to S. Gibbons at £600 for the late H. J. Duveen, who paid £650 for it. These figures I had from Mr. C. J. Phillips some 15 years ago.

It has been in the Duveen collection since 1896.

The romantic history of this find was described in an early number of this journal. Briefly told, Archdeacon Josa, the then Incumbent of Christ Church, Demerara, was raising funds for the church restoration, and an old lady, unable to give cash, sent a pair of the 4c "Patimus issue" which she found among her old letters. One Easter Monday, 1896, the Archdeacon wended his way to thank her for the gift which realized $30.60 (£7). Whilst there he enquired if she had any more old stamps. The old lady replied she had given all her stamps away, but produced an old basket filled with letters which he was asked to search, when lo! and behold, there tumbled out of the basket an envelope addressed Miss Rose, Blankenburg, with an unsevered pair of the 2c rose of 1851. The lady presented these stamps to the church and would not accept any portion of the amount realised. "Not a penny, Sir, these stamps are reserved for my dear old church."

This pair which is on the original letter sheet is addressed:

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The postmark on the two stamps which is clear and distinct is 25th November, 1851. Mr. Edward Gordon to whom this letter was addressed was at that period resident at Pln. Good Hope, a sugar estate near the Mahaica river, twenty-six miles from Georgetown. He died about 1861.

Mr. T. M. Gordon, his son, states so far as he can remember, it was in 1896 Mr. J. W. Dorman had a look through his stamp album and made an offer for it which was refused. A few months later the album disappeared and was never found, but the pair on the letter sheet by some good fortune was discovered later at the time he was clearing out bundles of his father's letters to be burnt, when miraculously it escaped destruction and was promptly sold to Mr. Luard. Mr. Gordon cannot remember the price paid nor does he appear to have placed much value on, or concern over these much desired stamps as he refers to the incident as "when they all went stamp mad."

Mr. Luard also sold this pair to S Gibbons for £650 and according to Mr. F. J. Melville in the *Stamp Lover*, "it then passed through several hands in Germany to a Russian nobleman, who, however, had to give up his collecting in 1899 on account of failing eyesight. P. Kohl, of Chemnitz, obtained it and sold it back to Messrs. Gibbons, who apparently sold it to Ferrari." Mr. C. J. Phillips writes me recently that he thinks his firm sold this pair to Ferrari for £1,450. At the first Ferrari sale in Paris on 23rd June, this great rarity, one of the most unique in the world, and the finest of the three existing pairs, was sold for the phenomenal sum of 210,000 francs, which, plus the French tax of 17½%, brought the price up to £5,250, exchange on that day being 47 to the pound. The new owner is Mons. Burrus, a French merchant of Mulhouse. This price exceeds by nearly three times the highest price ever paid for a single piece.

1852 Issue.

Next in order of issue comes the scarce oblong stamps printed by Waterlow & Sons, familiarly known as the "Patimus" issue. Numbers of these were found from time to time in the seventies and eighties and later. Of the two values, 1 cent and 4 cents, the latter is much scarcer.

Strips or blocks of these stamps are very rare and but few strips of four now exist in collections. At the Ferrari sale in June a strip of the 1 cent magenta was knocked down for £385 and a pair of the four cents blue for £208 Prices which appear to be very high.

The strip illustrated, which is on the original letter sheet, was discovered about 14 years ago, and passed through Archdeacon Josa's hands into my own collection.

The 1853 Issue.

We now come to the most plentiful of the scarce stamps of Guiana. This was the first issue of the Colony which can lay claim to the design and they are some of the best stamp-lithographic work of Waterlow & Sons. Like all early scarce stamps, pairs are scarce and strips and blocks are undoubtedly unique. At the Ferrari first sale single specimens used of the 1 cent vermilion, red, and brown-red, fetched £22, £25 and £34, respectively, and a superb vertical strip of 4 of the 1 cent red, made £140. The largest known block is one of 8 of the 1 cent vermilion.

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After a famous trial regarding the sale of these official stamps by servants in the different departments in an unused state, all stamps were stopped so far as a special issue in 1904. Franked envelopes were instituted for the civil departments, and the military and naval authorities had to pay postage by ordinary postage stamps, though all their correspondence was borne in official (but unfranked) envelopes marked "On Her (His) Majesty's Service." The frank consisted of a circle bearing the words "Official Paid" with the British Royal Crown in the centre, and is still in use. During the Great War an adhesive franked label was brought into use, for making an envelope serve several times over, by sticking over the ungummed flap.

In charge of a certain department myself for some time, seeing many thousands of these supposed economy labels, I was able to observe that in 99 cases out of 100 a brand new foolscap envelope was always used if only to enclose a slip of paper 4 or 5 inches by two! The gummed labels were 4½ inches by 3 inches, and of course were the franking power for the packet they were stuck upon—so that one might argue that they are in fact "adhesive post paid" labels just as much as any other official stamp. Many of these labels bore the title of the department to which they belonged—Post Office, Secretary for War, Board of Trade, Board of Trade—Overseas Trade, National Service, Ministry of Food, Ministry of Coal Mines (with a special one for the use of Local Fuel Overseers and Divisional Officers of the Coal Mines Department), Police, Military Intelligence, Prisoners of War, Ministry of Labour, Income Tax, Excise Customs and many others connected with new departments occasioned by the War, including "mystery" letters and numbers issued by the Director of Personal Services, War Office, Adjutant General (these being used each week by every unit of the British Forces to make returns of the number of men or their strength, fit, ill, or absent) while copious supplies of the labels were in use by the various overseas departments having offices in Britain, as the Government of Canada, New Zealand, Newfoundland, Australia, South Africa, West Indies, Chinese Labour Corps, etc.

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I. General Post Office.

The first stamp prepared for official use but never issued was for the intended service of the General Post Office, and except that it bore the letters V. R. in the upper corners, was of exactly the same colour and design of the first stamp—the Penny Black, and issued in 1840.

Its history is however probably notorious as being the cause of probably the first Criminal trial ever held with regard to the forgery of a stamp, when a German was prosecuted by a well known London dealer in 1891 for obtaining money by false pretences in uttering and offering an ordinary penny black stamp with the Maltese Crosses in the upper corners removed and in their place he had printed in the letters V. R. In the evidence of that case, for the first time was given the origin and history of the V. R. Official by the Controller of Stamps at Somerset House, London, from whence all British stamps are issued. This official stated that the stamps were in use for some period for trials of obliterating inks, but were withdrawn from use, and in any case were only used on official missives that would not get outside the post-office department, being kept on records. The "faker" received three years' imprisonment, it being stated by Counsel that this was the first prosecution of its kind that had ever taken place. The Common Serjeant (Judge) who tried the case at the London Central Criminal Court (Old Bailey) said however that the offence was a very serious one for the prisoner had dealt with the Queen's effigy. In comparison with that sentence, a man was tried in Paris twenty years later for a similar offence, and though the Judge of the Seine Court took English Law into consideration as the stamps forged were British, under International Treaty, they only fined the prisoner 16 francs!

Thus, if the first official stamp in the world had a doubtful issue, it gains a philatelic status as being the centre of the first philatelic *cause celibre,* so its catalogue rank is justified!

CHECK LIST.

General Post Office Department.

Prepared and used for official trials, 1840. 1d black with letters V. R. in the upper corners. Imperforate.

Army Officials.

Special stamps overprinted "Army Official" were first brought into issue by the Military Authorities on September 1st, 1896, for the purpose of franking postage on Army documents of the home stations and depots of the various Battalions. The Army had previously however instituted special stamps for telegraph purposes during the Egyptian, Bechuanaland (South Africa) and Suakin (Nubia, now part of the Sudan) Expeditions of 1884 and 1885.

Again previous to that, Army Post offices had been formed at the bases in the Crimea and Constantinople during the Anglo French Russian war, 1854-55, and during the Egyptian Campaign of 1882, and though special cancellations were used, no separate issue of stamps were made.

It is evident that the issue of these overprinted stamps had been delayed for some purpose or other, as the half-penny stamps are found with the Control letters L, M and N which were issued in the years 1893, 1894 and 1895, respectively. In the early overprints of both the ½d and 1d stamps flaws in the type occur, the L of "Official" appearing as an I on the 7th stamp of the 3rd horizontal row and the 8th stamp of the 4th row having the L with a short foot. These misprints were however remedied in the subsequent issues. Another value was also issued at the same time, the 2½d, for use on letters to foreign stations, having a more compact and heavier overprint.

The alteration of the colour of the ½d stamp in 1900 from vermilion to green occasioned the overprint taking place on the new stamps, while the following year another value, the 6d, was also brought into use with the same overprint (heavy type) as used for the 2½d. Excepting for shades of colour of the stamps, no varieties of this occur.

The new stamps of King Edward VII occasioned another change in 1902, when the ½d, 1d and 6d stamps were overprinted with the type used for the preceding two lowest values. In the fall of 1903 the 6d value appeared with a fresh type of overprint showing the letter M narrower and with the centre strokes only meeting half way, whereas on the original surcharges the strokes meet at the base of the letter. For some years this stamp was considered of great rarity, as very few specimens appeared on the market, but after the ceasing of the special official issues, a number turned up from some source and the stamp dropped considerably in price. Broken letter varieties will be also found on the King's Head issues. Though the sale of the Army Official Stamps was prohibited as with the other officials, they were perhaps for obvious reasons, always fairly easily procurable in unused condition.

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Army Departments.

1896, September 1.—Thin widely spaced type. Queen's Head.
½d, vermilion, control letters L, M, N, O, P, Q.
1d, lilac, control letters T, U, V, W, X. (varieties OFFICIAI).
Thick narrow spaced type, idem.

1896, September 1.—
2½d purple on blue, blank margins.
2½d deep purple on blue, with thick line around margin.

1900, April 1.—Thin widely spaced type, idem.
½d green, control letter R.

1900, July 11,—
6d purple on red, deep purple red, dee purple strawberry.
Thinly spaced type, King's Head.

1902, February 11.—
3d deep green, controls A, B.
1d scarlet, controls A, B.
6d dull purple.
Short M type, idem.

1903, September.—
6d dull purple.

(To be continued.)

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I'm the little red stamp with George Washington's picture;
And I go wherever I may,
To any spot in George Washington's land;
And I go by the shortest way.

And the guns of wrath would clear my path—
A thousand guns at need—
Of the hands that should dare to block my course
Or slacken my onward speed.

Stand back! Hands off of Uncle Sam's Mail!
Stand back there! back! I say;
For the little red stamp with George Washington's picture
Must have the right of way.

"FOREIGN METER MARKS."

By A. H. PIKE.

In a recent issue of the WEEKLY you again referred to foreign meter marks. I do not mention this again in a spirit of criticism, but I think we all ought to be careful to call things by their right name. There is much difference between a meter mark and other mail permits, either of the first or third class.

All foreign permits I have seen so far are nothing more than our third class permits, although most of them are printed in red. They contain a number but this does not indicate a meter. So far meter mail is used only in the U. S. A. and that only on machines made and sold by the Postage Meter Co. Meters may be placed in foreign countries later, but not so far.

On all meter marks you will find the word "Meter" preceding the number and if you will always look for this word there will be no excuse for misnaming them. These notices encourage collectors to call all permits meter marks. I am almost daily correcting some one using this. One might just as well call a cat a dog, and a dog a horse, and so on. All meter marks are permits, but not all permits are meter marks.

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A POSTAGE STAMP MOSAIC

In the Pittsburgh *Chronicle-Telegraph* for December 4, appeared a picture of what might be termed a postage stamp mosaic. A woman is shown holding in her lap a large framed picture and we quote what the paper says concerning what will some day be the possession of the New York Metropolitan Museum of Art:—

This postage stamp mosaic, called "Philatelia," represents "Blossom Time," which required a generation in the making, and was completed by W. Reichelt, an artist of Teplitz, Czecho-Slovakia. The picture contains a collection of 250,000 canceled postage stamps. In order to obtain the proper coloring, stamps of all nations of the world, covering a period of more than 100 years, were used. The picture has been exhibited in several of the art galleries of Europe, and is insured against burglary for $100,000. It will finally be presented to the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York City.

STAMP COLLECTING.

By F. A. BURGESS.

Although I differ with your paper politically and otherwise, I have always found your editorial page informing. But I must say that I was surprised that a paper of your breadth of vision should be so lacking in information as to attack stamp collecting. It seems incredible to you that the up-State New Yorker should pay $40,000.00 for a British Guiana rarity, and you suggest that the same sum invested in books would yield far more educational value than all the stamps in the world. Perhaps this is true, but you overlook the fact that primarily stamp collecting is a hobby, a pastime, a means of relaxation, and that it is one that has considerable educational and utilitarian value as well. Every one knows that $40,000.00 worth of bread and butter contains more calories, vitamines or whatever other freak food unit is the fashion than the same amount of pickles. But lots of people like pickles, and they get a pleasure out of pickles that they do not get out of bread.

Stamp collecting is within the reach of every pocketbook. If one has but a few pennies to squander, he can still ride his hobby, for there are many varieties that can be picked up for as low as a cent or less. It can be indulged in by all ages, from the youngest to the oldest, by the physically fit and active, by the shut-in, by the citizen of the metropolis, by the loneliest rustic within reach of the mails. One cannot measure its educational value in concrete terms. To any stamp collector with a modicum of natural thirst for knowledge stamps are an incentive to seek information about the countries represented and scenes depicted.

Stamp collecting is gregarious in that it provokes competition, brings out the trading instinct and gives the youngster an opportunity to develop his salesmanship and learn something of agency and commission, business methods. Financially, it does not furnish anything like the investment and speculative features of United States Steel and Standard Oils, but neither does any other collecting hobby. That is not the purpose of a hobby. The thrift fetichists object, of course. But we need consider them not at all. Their argument leads to a desert drear of perpetual self-denial that would rob life of every palliative feature and reduce man to a mere machine with one or two animal appetites that could not, perhaps, be eliminated. Thus, one by one will pass the pleasures of the people, crushed by the juggernaut of the God of Utility.—N. Y. *Times*.

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By HARRY E. HUBER.

XI. Federation Postal Revenue and Expenditure.

The Post Office revenues soon reflected the issue of the separate series of postage stamps by each of the Presidencies. In 1900-01 and 1901-02, the Post Offices were operated at a loss of £1,500 and £1,400 respectively, followed by a year in which there was a profit of £300, due to issue of the King Edward series of stamps. Then came the separate Presidency series, after which, a consequent profit annually was shown.

	Revenue.	*Expenditure.*
1900-01	£3771.	£5298.
1901-02	4008.	5454.
1902-03	5799.	5407.
1903-04	7762.	6835.
1904-05	5925.	4980.
1905-06	6353.	3835.
1906-07	5372.	3384.
1907-08	6689.	4518.
1908-09	6520.	5357.
1909-10	6620.	5431.

XII. Federation Series, King George V, 1912-1915, Plates 1, 2, 3.

King Edward VII died in May, 1910, and although it was expected that the De La Rue keyplates with the head of King George substituted, would be in readiness by the end of the year, it was not until early in 1912 that De La Rue was able to start sending out stamps printed from the new keyplates. Among the first in the Caribbean to be supplied were the Cayman Islands, and the ½d, 2d, 2s and 3s in the D. L. R. 1888 type, were issued at George Town, Grand Cayman, on April 24, 1912.

In June, 1912, the ¼d, 1d and 2½d of the Federation series were sent out to Antigua, and issued there in October, 1912, followed by the ½d in December. The 2d, 3d, 6d and 1s, which were announced by the Crown Agents in October, as having been dispatched, were in issue by January, 1913.

Owing to the difficulty in securing colored-through papers in sufficient quantities to meet Colonial stamp requirements, the Crown Agents were forced to accept, temporarily, white papers surface colored yellow and green. The blue and red papers were not affected. The 2sh6d on blue colored-through paper was issued in November, 1913.

When further lots of 3d and 1s Federation stamps were sent out, they, as well as the 5s, which had not previously been issued on the colored-through paper, were on yellow (3d and 5s) and green (1s) surface colored paper. They were issued in November, 1913, and had a short life, for in less than a half year the Crown Agents were able to replenish their stock of colored-through papers and during 1914 the 3d (June) 1s and 5s (September) were furnished on new colored-through papers.

The design of the stamps of the new series is the same as that of the series which it replaced, except for change in the head of the sovereign, being printed from D. L. R. Postage & Revenue keyplates in the 1888 design. Two keyplates were made up in this design, with the head of King George V, one a 120 set, and the other a 240 set, both being numbered 1.

For the ¼d, ½d, 1d and 2½d the 120 set plate was used, producing sheets of 120 stamps, 2 panes of 60, separated by a narrow gutter, with plate number 1 over the 2nd and 5th stamps of the first horizontal row of the left and right panes respectively, and under the corresponding stamps in the lower row. Surrounding each pane is a marginal line not continuous as for the King Edward series, but broken at each line of perforation to overcome trouble at press from air pressure in inking.

For the other values, the 240 set plate was used, from which sheets of 240 stamps were produced. The plate number 1 was similarly positioned, but only in the upper margin of the upper left and upper right panes, and in the lower margin of the lower left and lower right panes. In other words, the lower margin of the two upper panes was without plate numbering, and similarly, the upper margin of the two lower panes. The sheets of 240 stamps were always cut into Post Office sheets of 120 before the Leeward Islands overprint plate impression was added.

The series consists of ten values, as for the previous series, and the same duty plates were used. The stamps were printed on multiple Crown CA watermarked paper (chalk surfaced for 3d and above), in colors in agreement with the Crown Agents' color scheme. The perforation is comb 14, for all values.

The division of printing plates into panes was no doubt originally undertaken as an economical measure, so that should part of the plate be damaged, it was only necessary to discard the pane affected. Economy in printing is also effected by the division into panes, as a single faulty stamp may cause a whole sheet to be discarded as defective, but where the sheet is in panes, only that pane in which the defect occurs is discarded. This accounts for one and the same shipment containing at times, sheets of 240, 120 and 60. True, few Colonies using the D. L. R. keyplates order stamps in sheets of 240. By the majority of the Colonies, they are ordered in sheets of 120, and are so produced by the 120 set plates which De La Rue have made up. However, with the advent of the George series, many Colonies, making use of these keyplates, requisitioned stamps in sheets of 60, for ease in handling and distributing to branch offices. In the case of Colonial stamps, the arrangement of panes is largely on a basis of convenience of counting, the division being in each case convenient fractions or multiples of the pound sterling.

With the Georgian keyplates, De La Rue's practice of economy was carried still further. When plate 1, 240 set, began to show signs of wear in the two upper panes, instead of discarding the whole plate, another 120 set plate was made up, (showing plate 2 in the upper margins only, the lower being blank) and clamped to the lower half of plate 1, 240 set, forming a 240 set printing plate. Sheets of stamps, therefore, from this combined plate, show plate 2 in the upper margins, and plate 1 in the lower. The Nigerian 1d was supplied in this manner in 1914. Unclamped, the two plates could be used separately to produce 120 stamp sheets, and were so used, for due to constant use, plate 1, 120 set, soon began to show signs of wear and was discarded. By the end of 1912 the combined plate (1 and 2) was being used almost exclusively.

In 1915, ¼d and ½d stamps of the Federation series were supplied from plate 2, and later in the same year, the 1d in scarlet from plate 3. This latter plate, 120 set (with plate number in the upper margin only) was used separately, and at times in combination with plate 4, also 120 set (with plate number in the lower margin).

1912-15. Federation series. King George V. Postage and Revenue. Watermarked multiple Crown CA. Perf. comb 14. Chalk surfaced for 3d and above. Plates 1 (all values), 2 (¼d and ½d), 3 (1d).

¼d brown, October, 1912
½d yellow green, December, 1912
1d carmine, October, 1912
a. scarlet (plate 3), 1915
2d gray, January, 1913
2½d ultramarine, October, 1912
3d violet on yellow, January, 1913
a. violet on yellow surfaced paper, November, 1913
6d violet and red violet, January, 1913
1s black on green, January, 1913
a. black on green surfaced paper. November, 1913
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A half page of advertising space will be given the dealer winning first honors for the year and two quarter pages will be awarded the two next highest contestants. The leaders on November subscriptions are:—

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E. W. Goldthorpe	9
Stamp Shoppe	8
Wilmar Edgar	8
H. A. Keigwin	8
Paul F. Cornish	6
E. P. Seebohm	6
Jax Novelty Co.	6

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A FEW NOTES ON SOME EDITORIALS IN MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS, VOL. XXXVI, 1921.

By WILLIAM R. RICKETTS.

Page 160, Column 3: "REMOTE": Alfred Potiquet's Catalogue. There are two editions of this catalogue—

The First Edition (dated 1862 on front cover page) was published and offered for sale on December 21, 1861, and is entitled—"Catalogue des Timbres-Poste." Crees dans les divers Etats du globe. Paris, Eugene Lacroix (et) E. de Laplante, 1862. 43pp.—1p., 7 x 4¼in., colored paper cover with a used 1c French stamp of 1860 attached to front cover page. (Note: Two varieties exist (1) with "Prix: 2 Fr. 10 cent," (2) "Prix: 1 Fr. 25 cent on front cover page. As you say *This was the First Catalogue Ever Published* and to show how rare it is: The Crawford Library contains a copy of each variety but both faulty: Var. (1) wants pp. 35-38 and Var. (2) wants a cover. There was however in the original stamp library of the British Museum a perfect copy, so this accounts for three copies and with Mr. Speakman's makes four. I certainly congratulate Mr. Speakman on his possession. This is still on my want list.

The Second Edition, probably published March, 1862, has title same as first edition with: Dresse par Alfred Potiquet. 2e edition, revue, corrigee et augmentee. Paris, Librairie Scientifique, Industrielle, E. Lacroix, 15, Quai Malaquais, 15, 1862. 48pp., 7 x 4¼in., Do. (Note: A slip is attached to the 3rd cover page entitled "Note de l'editeur," which says the first edition was published December 21, 1862. This slip is dated Mars 1862). I have a very fine copy of this edition in my library.

Page 211, Column 2: The First Auction. Trans. by W. G. Watt, M. D.:

This title is a misnomer and should read: First English or Continental Auction. By actual count this sale was the fifth. The *First Auction Sale Ever Held In The World* was held in New York, May 28, 1870, J. W. Scott & Co.; 2nd, Oct. 3rd, 1870; 3rd, Dec. 19th, 1870; 4th, Oct. 9th, 1871, and 5th, March 18th, 1872, London. See an article in *Philatelic Index*, II 18 (Mar. 27, 1919), p. 1.

Page 226, Column 3: Advised:

Full name was Francois George Oscar Berger-Leverault; his publications consisted of "List of Stamps," 10 editions and 2 supplements. (2) "List of Stamps wanted to purchase," 3 editions, 1 and 3 in English, 2 in German. (3) "Catalogues," 5 editions. For information concerning this man see *Phil. Lit. Bib. Index*, page 36.

Page 230, Column 1: The Matter of Indices:

MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS, Indexes to, Where Found, See *Phil. Lit. Bib. Index*, page 299: I copy this and bring up to date:

Philatelic Inter-Ocean, Vol. VII(04) 28, listing: V to XII.

Vol. XVI(02)— See MWSN XXIV (10)27.
Vol. XVII(03)—MWSN XXI(June 20, 07)3rd cover page.
Vol. XVIII(04)—MWSN—not located.
Vol. XIX(05)—MWSN XX(06)325.
Vol. XX(06)—MWSN XXI(Feb. 23, 07)4th c. p.
Vol. XXI(07)—MWSN XXII(08)53.
Vol. XXII(08)—MWSN XXIII(Dec 25, 09)4th c. p.
Vol. XXIII(09)—MWSN XXIV(10) 383.
Vol. XXIV(10)—MWSN XXV(11) 363.
Vol. XXV(11)—MWSN XXVII(13) 382.
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Vol. XXVII(13)—MWSN XXIX(15) 288.
Vol. XXVIII(14)—MWSN XXIX (15) 384.
Vol. XXIX(15)—MWSN XXXI(17) 39.
Vol. XXX(16)—MWSN XXXI(17) 332.
Vol. XXXI(17)—MWSN
Vol. XXXII(18)—MWSN } My notes on these three vols. missing.
Vol. XXXIII(19)—MWSN
Vol. XXXIV(20)—MWSN XXXVI (22)111.
Vol. XXXV(21)—MWSN XXXVI (22)256.
Vol. XXXVI(22)—MWSN

Page 404 Column 3: Argue:

In my *Philatelic Literature Bibliography Index* will be found on pages 86 to 113 references on *The Chalmers vs. Hill Controversy*, (Since this part was published I have found a lot more references which I hope I will be able to bring out as a supplement some day.)

NOTE: Another title misnomer is the universal use on all articles pertaining to the *"British Guiana*, 1c 1856 Issue;" it is always referred to as the *Rarest Stamp In The World*: is this true? How about the *"Lockport Postmaster Stamp"*—is this not as rare—one copy known? Also *"Boscawen Postmaster Stamp,"* one copy only known? So it is not the rarest stamp in the world. The right title should be: The *"Highest Priced Stamp"* or *"Most Valuable Stamp In The World."*

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By CHARLES G. WILSON.

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The new issue of U. S. stamp is making a good serial story and collectors await the next instalment with eagerness.

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Soviet Russia is making its contributions to philatelic history and for "mystic suggestions of Russian character" the latest arrivals are peculiar to themselves.

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Any reader who looks for the customary review of the past year and predictions for the coming twelve-month will be pleased to find that we have omitted them.

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Artemus Ward admitted that Chaucer was a great poet but said that "he couldn't spel." A collector had a beautifully filled page in his blank album, lettered artistically, "Gibralter."

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Does anybody remember "Hours at Home?" There was an interesting article in the November, 1868, issue, by William R. Hooper, with the title, "The Post Office," which a reader is sending us.

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We welcome the new work, "Scott's Specialized Catalogue of United States Postage Stamps," that has just been published and we believe that the little volume will take its place at once among the indispensable catalogues of the day. The demand for the book will accord to some extent with the great surge of interest in United States stamps. The catalogue answers the call for a priced list of U. S. stamps that will meet the expectations of the specialist in our stamps and is a *vade mecum* for the studious collector of the stamps of our nation. This specialized catalogue makes a good start and we have no doubt but that subsequent editions will be amplified. In a way, the ground for a priced list of the kind was broken by our publication, Goodwin's "U. S. Specialized," that appeared a good many years ago. The compiler is Eugene N. Costales who speaks of the price analysis of the stamps, a most important consideration in a compilation of the kind. We suppose that the invitation of the compiler that omissions be repaired and mistakes corrected will not be ignored. The catalogue is of convenient size and typographically attractive; and it is an important equation in our most important collecting field.

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We have received a valuable contribution from Mr. William R. Ricketts, whose fame as a bibliographer perhaps is greater abroad than at home; and accompanying the notes which are to be published in another column, is the letter: "Today, I have been indexing volume XXXVI (1922) of the WEEKLY insofar as the letters 'G' and 'H' and 'Philatelic Literature' are concerned and have noted a few items that I think should be spoken of again or a correction made. These I have noted on separate sheets which I think may be of interest. I have made a great many references to your editorials in the XXXVI volumes of the WEEKLY, in both my indexes, and I wish to say that there is contained in these same references a tremendous amount of philatelic information, which is of course given in the smallest amount of space and for this reason is of special value."

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We have received from Stanley Gibbons, London, Part I, the British Empire section of the 1923 or thirtieth edition of the Gibbons catalogue, the second part of which is devoted to the stamps of "foreign countries." The book contains nearly five hundred pages and it would be difficult to imagine a more comprehensive analysis of the issues of the British Empire than it presents. All the features that loaned distinction to preceding issues or editions are retained and it is apparent that the latest additions are considered carefully with the purpose of giving the reader the fullest survey of the stamps. Descriptive notes assist greatly in the easy consultation of the catalogue which achieves the character of a hand-book of the countries that are included in the book. The cuts of stamps, surcharges and watermarks are from life, as it were, and there is a profusion of them. Die and other differences are shown by picture, and geographical, historical and other notes are to be found on the well-printed pages of the catalogue. Naturally, the price tendency is upward but the advance seems to be a justifiable one and as for the accuracy of the prices, so to say, we are content to depend upon the experience covering so many decades of those promoting this catalogue. As usual, the typography is of the best and in all its aspects, the catalogue is entitled to a foremost place in the ranks of books of the kind. The price of the catalogue in our money is $1.80.

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A certain old-timer who falls into the conservative class—and what is more incongruous than an old radical?—employs an idle half-hour occasionally by writing us letters, in which he pokes fun at the insistence with which we advocate the cause of philatelic publicity. He calls us the "Big Babbitt" of the movement to make philately the "sole aim and end of the great unwashed public" and cackles as he asks us if we are not fearful that "stamp collecting will monopolize the attention of our citizens to such an extent that we shall all have to sell our collections because of their greatly enhanced value due to unprecedented demand for stamps?" That is a fairly good take-off and as such, we have no quarrel with it. If philatelists will not try to bring their pursuit to the attention of outsiders, who will? In a day when publicity is recognized as the most moving factor, it is folly to be reactionary to the extent of leaving well enough alone. Sentiment cannot be outraged by this pushing forward of philately and as for business reasons, they all unite to vindicate this development. As for the sentimental side, we find the little sentence in a house journal: "Any pleasure is enhanced if shared with another." The business logic is vested in the fact that an increased demand for stamps by a growing number of collectors means that stamp prices are strengthened to the advantage of all who now possess stamps. We are glad to be able to say that the publicity swing has gained such momentum that even if it was pushed no longer, it would be a long time in "dying down" but there is no danger that the followers of philately will now say, "hands off."

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If we did not know by experience that there were many snarls in the philatelic skein, we should soon learn that there were from the complaints that we have from readers and others, involving questions of petty difference on one side and grave abuses on the other. If one were inclined to be pessimistic, it could be argued that philately seemed to be singled out as a cloak for masqueraders who got what they could by hook or crook out of it and its clan. Yet if the law of averages is taken as a guide, it will be found that we do not suffer more than any other division of endeavor that is out of the ordinary. It is a comforting thought that there are remedial agencies at work to clear out the undesirable element; and it is our prediction that in five years from now, philately will be as clean as many would like it to be today.

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By L. H. BRIGHAM.

Some collectors give little more than a hasty glance at new stamp specimens added to their collection, and as to turning to the stamps of a certain country in their albums for the purpose of discovering how these stamps differ from one another or from the stamps of some other country, such a thing is never even thought of. The writer has a collector friend who knows his own stamps so slightly that if he were to add a new specimen to his collection today and were to be shown the same stamp tomorrow, he would be obliged to refer to his album to see if he had it. In other words, the mere hinging of a stamp in this collector's album closes the incident as far as he is concerned, and as a result his collection lacks many of the more interesting varieties of the same stamp simply because he has not discovered that they exist.

Keen-eyed collectors are daily making discoveries of value which would never come to light if it were not for the fact that the mechanical type of collector is in the minority, fortunately. The majority of us who lay claim to the respectable title of "Stamp Collector" take enough pride in our hobby to be keenly observant of all the things which go to make up the many differences in the stamps of our own and other countries.

The first known forgeries in the current two-cent stamps of the United States were discovered in February of this year by a New York stamp dealer and collector. This discovery will save the government thousands of dollars, as the forgery might have gone undetected for some time if this dealer-collector had not been in the habit of carefully observing all stamps that passed through his hands. Collectors in the Argentine Republic also discovered forgeries of the five-centavo value of a recent commemorative issue of their own country.

"What constitutes a good knowledge of one's own collection?" is a question that has been often asked the writer. This is how well a true collector should know his *own* stamps, if no others. Be able to tell at a glance whether or not you have in your collection any certain stamp that may be shown you at any time. If shown a stamp which you have, you should be able to recall at once whether your own copy is a better one than the specimen you are being shown and wherein the difference in quality lies—whether better centered, brighter colored, more lightly canceled, cleaner, etc. You should be able to recall where and how you obtained the majority of your individual stamps; how long you have had them, and about what they cost, if purchased. If one collects, as one should, with the aid of a standard catalogue, one should likewise know the approximate market value of each of one's stamps, whether one's collection numbers ten hundred or ten thousand. All of these things cannot be learned in a minute but constant association with one's stamps allows one to gradually acquire and absorb all of this information without undue effort.

It should be second nature with us to be keenly observant of all the little things connected with stamp collecting and in this way discover the more important ones. Regarding collecting in this light makes a very pleasurable occupation out of what otherwise might be considered a tedious task.—*The Haversack.*

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited, as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—*The East Kent Times*, published at Ramsgate, England, in its issue for Nov. 22, reprinted our article on the U. S. stamp collection of A. Leon Adutt, the well-known philatelist who is a resident of that city and president of the Thanet Philatelic Society. It is quite a compliment not only to the WEEKLY but to Mr. Adutt that the article should be deemed worthy of this attention.

—A variation of the anti-tuberculosis cancellation is found in a new one just at hand from Augusta, Ga. Instead of reading "Christmas Seals Stamp Out Tuberculosis" it reads "Fight Tuberculosis with Christmas Seals."

—A new cancellation comes from Toledo, O. It reads:—"National Farmers' Exposition, Toledo, Dec. 7-15, 1922."

—W. E. Egbert, M. D., of Chester, Pa., reports unsatisfactory trade relations with Richard Weiss of Vienna. It is not our custom to publish the facts in cases of this kind until the case has been reported upon by an attorney or collecting agency. The data as given by Dr. Egbert warrants the warning we have given.

—We have received from Arthur E. Wellington of Troy, N. Y., a piece of cover showing an air-mail cancellation on a letter sent by airplane service between Cairo and Bagdad. The marking consists of the words "Air Mail" shaped so as to occupy a circle. The marking is in purple.

—For the benefit of the trade we wish to state that Karl Hennig of Weimar, Germany, has had business dealings with us during the past two years and they have been eminently satisfactory. We make this statement voluntarily for fear that we did Mr. Hennig an injustice through a recent statement in this paper.

—Edw. E. Goodchild favors us with a communication regarding "Publicity." He congratulates us upon what we are doing in that direction and points to his personal experience in philately. It was while in overseas service that he became interested in the first issue of the stamps of Palestine, the now well-known E. E. F. issue. A letter from a chum started him off on the scent of stamps. Mr. Goodchild has written to the Post Office Department of Canada relative to the opening of a stamp agency at Ottawa. It is possible that such an agency may be started.

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The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—I am officially informed that no more of the new series will make their appearance until after the first of the year and that around the first or second week in January the 1c Franklin, the 2c Washington and the 4c Martha Washington will probably be placed on sale at the Philatelic Stamp Agency in Washington.

Speaking of the Agency, it closed its first year of business on December 6, 1922, and during the twelve months the receipts amounted to $46,576.39. Uncle Samuel may count this as mostly profit for he will be called upon to perform postal duty for only a minor portion of the stamps issued. With the new series making its appearance we predict that the new year will be even greater. The Post Office Department is doing everything possible to cater to the dealer and collector and will continue to do whatever they can insofar as furnishing fine copies of current emissions. It must be remembered however that the older issues are not available and that it is useless to write and ask if they will not perforate some of the denominations with the old perforations. They are not attempting to conduct a stamp business but have arranged to furnish the best available copies of those issues still in the government possession.

Through the courtesy of Mr. L. A. Hill, Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, I am able to furnish our readers with a list together with their official numbers of the new dies recently made. A list of the earlier dies was published in the *Philatelic Gazette* sometime back. Since then only the Pilgrim dies and those given on this list have been made

684	10c Special Delivery.
685	1c Franklin, 1922.
686	2c Washington, 1922.
687	3c Lincoln, 1922.
688	4c Martha Washington, 1922.
689	5c Roosevelt, 1922, Abandoned.
690	6c Garfield, 1922.
691	7c McKinley, 1922.
692	8c Grant, 1922, Abandoned.
693	9c Jefferson, 1922.
694	10c Monroe, 1922.
695	11c Hayes, 1922.
696	12c Cleveland, 1922.
697	14c Indian Head, 1922.
698	15c Statue of Liberty, 1922.
699	20c Yosemite, 1922.
700	25c Niagara Falls, 1922.
701	30c Buffalo, 1922.
702	50c Arlington Amphitheatre, 1922.
703	$1.00 Lincoln Memorial, 1922.
704	$2.00 Capitol, 1922.
705	$5.00 American (Border,) 1922.
706	Frame for U. S. Postage stamp (Master Die), 1c to 12c inc. and 14c, 1922.
707	Frame for U. S. Postage Stamp (Master Die), 25c to $5.00 inc., 1922.
708	Frame for U. S. Postage Stamp (Master Die), 15c and 20c, 1922.
709	Lettering—New York, N. Y.
710	Vignette—Female head "America."
711	5c U. S. Postage Stamp, Portrait of Roosevelt, 1922.
712	8c U. S. Postage Stamp, Portrait of Grant, 1922.

The first Roosevelt die No. 689 had a background and as mentioned in a recent issue was abandoned as unsatisfactory. It will be noticed also that a second 8c Grant die has been made, why I cannot say at present. The vignette No. 710 is for the center of the new $5, die No. 705 being the border. Die No. 709 seems to be unusual and I am making further inquiries regarding its use.

Mr. George B. Sloane writes to advise that he has located a very distinct double transfer in the case of the 6c Garfield but gives no particulars as to its location. Not having the four panes on hand I cannot locate it nor can I give details as to where the doubling occurs.

In an old correspondence recently found a printed form letter with certain parts filled in by hand was located which is most unusual. In fact I was not aware that there was such a thing as an "American Office" in the London Post Office which would pay postage on insufficiently franked letters and trust to luck that the sender would reimburse them. Being a printed form shows that it must have been a regular custom.

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CANADA.—An impending Postal Conference between Canada and the United States may possibly have philatelic consequences. The subjects to be discussed are now a matter of correspondence between the two Governments. The Conference will probably be held in Ottawa.

Our Toronto correspondent, Mr. W. Christie, informs us that the 7 cents value has been withdrawn from most of-

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fices. "It can only be had," he writes (under date October 10th, 1922), "in some of the sub-offices. The General Post Office in Toronto has been out of it for some time, and when I inquired they told me they were not to have any more, as the 4 cents had taken its place." In enclosing a copy of the new 20c Special Delivery stamp (already chronicled,) our correspondent says that this was on sale at the sub-offices, yet the General Post Office were still selling the old 10c blue at the time of writing his letter.—*Stamp Collecting.*

DANZIG.—Mr. J. L. Riedel informs us that a 50m blue and red in the arms type has been issued.

GERMANY.—Mr. J. L. Riedel sends us a new 8m in the new type in an olive green shade and advises that on November 15th last the postal rates were increased for the fourth time this year. Inland letters now cost 12 marks and foreign 20 marks. On December 15th, another increase will take place, this one being 100%. To meet the shortage of high values new stamps of 200, 300, 500 and 1,000 marks will shortly be issued.

IRISH FREE STATE.—Mr. R. Roberts submits for chronicle the following with Thom overprint:—½d, blue black overprint; 4d, red overprint; 9d, green with the same color surcharge and 10d with blue black overprint.

KELANTAN.—Mr. R. Roberts reports the 5c green and carmine on yellow, script watermarked.

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MEMEL.—Mr. J. L. Riedel writing under date of November 27th, advises that although the Air Service has been stopped on October 1st another set of ten brand new stamps surcharged "Flugpost" has been issued. Mr. Riedel adds that collectors will do well to ignore these bogus air stamps.

N. W. PACIFIC ISLANDS.—In sending us the 1d purple provisional, chronicled last week, Messrs. J. H. Smyth quote from their Rabaul correspondent's letter, dated August 19th, as follows:—"It is understood that the whole issue of postage stamps for this territory will be altered in the near future, but at present they are not available for the public, as the stocks of the old issues are still very large."

The 2d red and 4d blue are now also on issue.

The *Australian Philatelist* alludes to new shades of the 2½d and 3d values. The 2½d is now of a much lighter shade, something of a light cobalt, and the 3d is a very light olive green, the paleness of all the words being specially noticeable. The ink used for the overprint is a decided black. The paper is of a thin, hard texture, which is shown by the clean perforations, gauging 11½-12. —*Stamp Collecting.*

TRAVANCORE.—Capt. Gilbert Lodge has shown the *Philatelic Journal of India* the current 4 cash pink (1911) with the "On S S" overprint inverted.—*Stamp Collecting.*

SEYCHELLES.—Mr. R. Roberts advises of the 20c blue on script watermarked paper.

HACKENSACK'S FIRST ANNUAL.

The Hackensack (N. J.) Philatelic Society held their first annual meeting and election of officers on Friday, December 8th, and the following officers for the year 1923 were elected:—Wm. C. Steiger, Pres.; Hy. Gatjen, Vice-Pres.; L. P. Lord, Treas.; W. H. Hoffman, 595 Main St., Hackensack, N. J., Sec'y; H. S. Dunhaupt, Sales Mgr.; H. F. Christensen, Exchange Mgr.; E. J. Hauck, Librarian; J. H. Bennit and E. Roberts, Trustees. The business meetings are held on the second Friday of each month, the social meetings each fourth Friday, at the Hackensack Y. M. C. A. building. Visitors may be assured of a hearty welcome. Collectors wishing to become members will please communicate with the Secretary.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

DICTIONARY SUPPLEMENT.

It is our desire to publish in due season a supplement to the Dictionary and it is no doubt probable that by Jan. 1, 1923, there will be sufficient new material to make such a supplement desirable. Without doubt the eyes of keen philatelists will discover many old items that should have been covered. For instance, new history has been made on the Boscawen local, and the definition given in the Dictionary may well be revised. Again, it would have been a good plan to have inserted the meaning of "A29" and similar cancellations on British stamps used abroad. A29 was used in Bath, Jamaica, and a comprehensive dictionary might well include such items.

We frankly confess that the Dictionary as it appears is only the forerunner of a great book to be published in future years. We desire the co-operation of our readers in connection with the proposed supplement, and offer three cash prizes of $15, $10 and $5 respectively for the best lists of additions turned in by Jan. 1, 1923. We require, however, that there shall be at least ten lists to award the first prize, twenty to award the second and thirty to award the third.

As you are coming in contact with philatelic terms not covered in the Dictionary note them where they belong alphabetically. This will be an indication that they should be covered in the supplement to be issued later.

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The Golden Rule.

We can laugh at preaching but a good many of us would be the better for it, if we would keep our ears open and ponder some of the truths. "Do unto others as you would have them do to you" is a rule that would always work out right in the end. What pleasure it gives us to receive little thoughtful remembrances of items that interest us with a note accompanying it "accept with my compliments." Or when we order something from a dealer to find that he has sent us even more than we ordered, or to find the stuff a little better than we expected. It makes you want to continue business relations and to find out what this party particularly wants and keep an eye out for him.

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"Wat're Readin'".

You who are living in the big city have heard the newsboy's call. We would like to stand on the corner of the City of Philately when the crowd passes with a quantity of late editions off the philatelic press and call this out with a megaphone. No, not for the profit, for we are doubtful if we would sell enough to pay for an automat sandwich. Still, this would be an opportunity to see how many would stop to buy, and who and how many would ignore the call. Place a young lady a few steps away with a bunch of flowers for sweet charity and she would get dollars to the newsboys' pennies. The joke of it is that these guys can drop a five spot for some local proposition, get no return from it and go ahead about their businesss and forget it, but if they spend two-bits for a year's subscription for a stamp paper and an issue is delayed, skipped, or the whole thing falls flat, they never forget it. It is handed down to their children and goes on and on from generation to generation; they tell it to their friends as well as relatives, it seems to remain on their brain and tongue sleeping or waking. We have often thought what a wonderful thing it would be to accumulate a couple of thousand that couldn't be used conveniently for anything else, and advertise for names and particulars of those who had been swindled out of subscription money. Guarantee to pay all claims in full and no questions asked. What a flood of mail that feller would get prompto. Results from that adv. would break all records. That lucky editor could use that testimonial forever afterwards.

New Issues in Stamp Papers.

A fellow these days has about as much chance of starting a stamp paper and making a success of it as a snowball in—Mexico. You can't make the beginners believe it. The only way to cure 'em is to give them a push right into the fire. A very bright young lad called on me at the office last fall. His mother just bought him a typewriter out of her pin money and he came to me for a subscription to a magazine (?) he was going to publish. I took the time to talk the situation over with him. He had never heard of but two stamp papers and these proved to be house organs. He was elated when I presented him with a copy of the WEEKLY. He didn't think he would subscribe for it as he already had sent a subscription to one of the house organs. He published two issues three months apart, each of four pages. He quit the business about six months ago. This is a typical case. About the first thing a kid thinks about when he takes up stamp collecting is to be a publisher. I have taken quite an interest in first numbers. I must have more than a thousand of them. It doesn't take much study or practice to gauge the caliber of these attempts. You can see "juvenile" written all over most of them, especially in their attempts to give a reason for their existence and their appeal for material. When a stamp paper is launched without any definite object and no material on hand, my advice would be, pay no attention to it. Kill it with neglect. If your sample copy shows some definite purpose, well written material, respectable appearance, common sense in the editorial, a plan for the future on subjects that you can appreciate, would be of value to the literature of philately, take the trouble to write the editor for some information before subscribing. Ask him point blank how much cash he has to finance the proposition, what prospects he has for securing advertising and request as references both collectors and local business men. Nine times out of ten he will refuse to give you the information asked for. If he does give it, trace it up. It is unwise to discourage honest effort from those who are in a position to produce philatelic works of importance. There is liable at any time for some one to give birth to an idea in the way of a stamp periodical that with the proper nourishment will thrive and grow to even greater height and influence than any of the present day. Those who have watched the game for the past twenty years or more realize that although the WEEKLY has grown and increased in value with possibly one or two others, our best literature was produced in the years gone by. Let us give our united support to those who are now producing good material so that they can live and continue.

Precanceled Stamps.

These stamps have received their share of publicity and many are interested in them. Let none of us discourage interest in any way, for they afford an excellent relaxation to purse and mind for the vast number who cannot afford to make the spread in the higher values. It would seem as though there were many stamp dealers who failed to appreciate or understand their use. We are receiving a great many catalogs, price lists and what not from dealers who are not using these. Most any one can get a permit from any office on request of the postmaster. These are sold to permit users in full sheets only and they can be used on third and fourth class mail one or more at a time. It is not necessary to send out any given quantity at a time. Stamps can also be purchased in coils giving an added variety. Most stamp collectors appreciate these on their mail, as well as the addition of plate numbers and any other novelty that can be included. Only recently I watched a dealer mailing out circulars and he tore off both plate numbers from the sheet of stamps and threw them on the floor. Let's try and see the other man's point of view. Quite a number of dealers are not interested in precancels and consequently they throw them away. How easy it would be to save these and either sell them or sweeten up a good customer once in a while.

Postal Markings.

We hear quite a little lately about "Postal Markings." We thought first he was a youngster but find that he was born long before the postage stamp, in fact, somewhere around 1661, and an Englishman by birth. Two hundred and sixty-one years gets him out of the kindergarten class and into higher mathematics with us. We started in to look up his record and found that a whole bunch of real philatelists, these big fellows who are supposed to be interested only in rare birds, had made his acquaintance years and years ago. It seems that there was a marriage and postmarks and cancellations were united making Postal Markings, a complete whole. Although each are separate and distinct when considered alone the united name covers the relationship when the stamp is on the original piece of cover and with the stamp shows the actual service rendered. This was brought to our mind very clearly by Mr. Turrill in the "Mission of a Postage Stamp" in the May issue of the *Collectors' Digest*. An excellent article and without doubt an eye opener for thousands of collectors who have seen only the stamps in their collection without their markings.

Good Night Stories.

These may be all right on the radio, but to publish them in a stamp paper in order to slur a brother collector seems a bit raw and out of place, especially when the circumstances did not in any way warrant it. We have tried to deface them in our copies, but they still stare at us, so without ceremony we have laid them away hoping that we will not be required to disturb them and can in time forget the thoughts and sentiments that they tried to convey.

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Should the proposed union between Poland and Central Lithuania become *un fait accompli*, the philatelic career of this mushroom State will be brought to an abrupt conclusion. Within the short space of eighteen months something like a hundred separate and distinct varieties of postage stamps have been issued under General Zeligowski's administration. This fact is not quite so formidable as it might at first appear. Owing to the limited facilities available for perforating the stamps a proportion of each issue has been left imperforate and supplied in this condition to post-offices where pressure of business was less brisk and time could be spared for cutting up the sheets of stamps by hand. Thus it happens that a considerable number of Central Lithuanian stamps exist both perforated and imperforated.

Central Lithuania comprises the former Russian Government of Vilna, including the capital town of that name, with an area of 16,421 square miles, supporting a population of nearly two millions. At one time it was included in the Republic of Lithuania, but was evacuated during the Bolshevik invasion early in 1919, and subsequently, in October, 1920, occupied by irregular Polish troops under the leadership of General Zeligowski, who established a provisional Government at Vilna. The rival claims of Poland and Lithuania to the disputed territory were later referred to the League of Nations, but no definite decision having been reached, the position remains *in statu quo*.

The populace, however, are pressing for a permanent union with Poland.

First Postage Stamps.

Apparently the Polish invaders came ready supplied with postage stamps, printed in Warsaw by lithography in three denominations, and adorned with the national emblems of Poland and Lithuania—a white eagle and a knight on horseback. Above the central device appears the inscription "SRODKOWA LITWA" (Central Lithuania) and below it the word "POCZTA" (Post). These stamps, which were first brought into use on October 20th, exist both imperforate and perforated 11½.

25 pfennigs, scarlet.
1 Mark, blue.
2 Marks, violet.

Provisional Overprint.

Meanwhile a stock of stamps belonging to the regular Lithuanian issue of 1919 had been brought to light and overprinted with a shield bearing the united arms of Lithuania and Poland, together with the inscription "SRODKOWA LITWA POCZTA" and surcharged with new values in marks, was re-issued in this form on November 23rd, 1920, remaining current for three days only.

The surcharge was set up to cover 50 stamps only at each impression, so that the sheets of 100 specimens had to be passed through the press twice. In this way the lower half of all sheets of 2 marks on 15 skatiku were printed upside down, producing a row of *tête-bêche* varieties across the centre. The eighth stamp in the setting of the 6 marks surcharge had the figures "10" inserted in error, and the tenth the figure "4," with the result that two such errors occurred in each sheet of 6 marks stamps.

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4 Mark on 20 skatiku greenish blue 2,300
4 Mark on 30 skatiku, ochre 2,300
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(a) Error: 4 Mark on 50 sk. 116
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6 Mark on 40 skatiku, violet and red 1,800
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6 Mark on 75 skatiku, ochre and red 2,400
(a) Error: 4 Mk. on 75 sk 48
(b) Error: 10 Mk. on 75 sk 48
10 Mark on 1 Auksinas, grey and red 3,600
10 Mark on 3 Auksinas, brown and red 200
10 Mark on 5 Auksinas, green and red 300

All values may be found with the overprint inverted.

Pictorial Types.

To the above succeeded in December, 1920, a set of six definitive stamps, somewhat unduly lithographed in upright rectangular format in various picturesque designs. That of the lowest value, 25 pfennigs, shows the head of a Lithuanian girl wearing the national coiffure. The 1 mark is adorned with the figure of a Lithuanian knight of the Middle Ages. On the 2 marks appears a view of the famous Gate of Ost Brama at Vilna, surmounted by a chapel dedicated to the Virgin, on passing beneath which all must uncover, no matter what their belief. The 4 marks depicts the entrance to the Cathedral of St. Stanislaus, with the ancient tower that stands before it, whilst the 6 marks bears a reproduction of the arms of Central Lithuania, and the 10 marks a portrait of General Zeligowski, "the Polish D'Annunzio," himself. Of the total issue, about 20,000 of each value were perforated 11½, and the remaining 400,000 issued imperforate.

25 fen., grey-blue.
1 mark, orange.
2 marks, violet.
4 marks, yellow and greenish.
6 marks, red-brown and bistre.
10 marks, brown and yellow.

New Colours.

In the following March (1921) the three values originally issued in the combined arms type were re-issued in new colours, both imperforate and perforated 11½:—

25 pfennig, deep green.
1 Mark, brown.
2 Marks, yellow.

Silesian Plebiscite Issue.

With a view to providing funds for Polish sympathisers to travel to Upper Silesia to vote in the plebiscite there the six stamps in the Arms type were placed on sale on March 8th, 1921, overprinted with the inscription in three lines "NA SLASK 2 M.," denoting 2 marks for Upper Silesia, being sold for that sum over and above their actual face values. A variety without "A" in "NA" occurred on the 63rd stamp in each sheet of the 2 marks on 25 fen. scarlet. This series likewise exists both perforate and imperforate.

2M on 25 fen scarlet.
(a) Without "A" in NA.
2M on 25 fen deep green.
2M on 1 Mk blue.
2M on 1 Mk sepia.
2M on 2 Mk violet.
2M on 2Mk bistre.

Red Cross Stamps.

Two values of the pictorial series of December, 1920, were re-issued in April, 1921, overprinted with the device of a Geneva Cross and surcharged with a premium of 1 mark, for which they were sold on behalf of the National Red Cross Organisation.

1 Mk on 2 Mk claret.
1 Mk on 4 Mk yellow and olive.

White Cross Stamps.

A similar issue in the interests of the Polish White Cross Society, followed shortly afterwards, and consisted of three values in the types of December, 1921, with a white cross and supplementary value incorporated in the design:—

2 Mk+1 Mk red-lilac.
4 Mk+1 Mk olive and buff.
10 Mk+2 Mk brown and yellow.

Postage Series, 1921.

A series of definitive postage stamps of a more elaborate character was inaugurated in April, 1921, printed in Warsaw and perforated 13¾ to 14.

The subjects of the various vignettes include, in addition to the National Arms and views of the Cathedrals of St. Nicholas and St. Stanislaus, a reproduction of the historical painting by Mateyeko depicting the ceremony of the uniting of Poland and Lithuania at the Diet of Lublin in 1568-69 (10 marks). Portraits of Queen Hedvige of Poland and Grand Duke Jaggelon of Lithuania, by whose marriage the two thrones were united, appear on the 4 marks, whilst the 20 marks bears the dual likenesses of Thaddeus Kosciusko (leader of the Polish insurrection of 1794) and Adam Mickiewitcz, the famous Lithuanian poet.

1 Mark, blue and yellow (St. Nicholas Cathedral) May.
2 Marks, carmine and green (St. Stanislaus Cathedral) May.
3 Marks, Russian green (Arms) April.
4 Marks, brn. and choc. (Queen Hedvige and Duke Jagollon) July 29.
5 Marks, red-brown (Arms) April.
6 Marks, greenish blue and buff (Castle of Tyschkewitsch) May.
10 Marks, lilac and buff (Diet of Lublin) May.
20 Marks, brown and sepia (Hoscinskasa Mickiewitz) July 29.

All of the above exist imperforate.

Commemorative Stamps, 1921.

On the anniversary of the entry of General Zeligowski's troops into Vilna, in October, 1921, two special postage stamps were issued, the one, value 100 marks, illustrating the arrival of the Polish troops and bearing the date "9 Pazdziowcki 1920," and the other (150 marks,) shewing a portrait of General Zeligowski.

100 Marks, blue and bistré.
150 Marks, grey and brown.

Vilna Parliament Issue.

Another issue of commemorative stamps took place on the occasion of the opening of the National Parliament at Vilna in February, 1922. The series consists of four values, in as many different designs, uniformly inscribed "SEJM w WILNIE 1922." A young girl, sowing seed, on the 10 marks value, symbolises the founding of the fledgling State. On the 25 marks appear the National Arms, surrounded by four significant dates in the histories of Poland and Lithuania, viz., 1385, year of the marriage of Queen Hedvige and Grand Duke Jaggelon; 1569, the Diet of Lublin; 1863, date of the revolt against Russian rule; and 1919, when General Zeligowski seized Vilna. A view of the National Assembly Building at Vilna adorns the 50 marks value, whilst an allegory of Labour, represented by a smith with his family standing before a vista of smoking factory chimneys.

As before, the stamps are issued either imperforate or perforated 11½:—

10 Marks, brown.
25 Marks, red and yellow.
50 Marks, blue.
75 Marks, purple.

Postage Due Stamps.

Stamps to denote collection of surcharges on insufficiently prepaid correspondence were first introduced by the post-office of Central Lithuania in February, 1921. They are lithographed with silhouettes of public buildings in Vilna, etc., and inscribed "DOPLATA." Like the regular postage stamps they come both imperforate and perforated 11½.

50 fen., red-brown (Government Building).
1 Mark, green (Castle Hill of Vilna).
2 Marks, brown-lilac (Island).
3 Marks, brown-lilac (Gateway).
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But the British West Indies were not content with home defense measures and the voting of money towards the war expenses of the Mother country. Uppermost in the minds of all was the idea of a West Indian Regiment, for overseas service. White volunteers from all the islands had proceeded to Canada and England, at their own expense, and enlisted with the Canadian or Imperial forces, but these, small in number, could not be retained as individual units, and were merged in some Canadian or English regiment.

For several months the Home Government refused to consider contingents from the islands, but in May, 1915, the offer made by Jamaica to send a contingent of 100 to 200 men, black, colored and white, was accepted—and it was intimated that any number which the Colonies might wish to send would be welcomed.

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Recruiting spread to all the islands, and from the Leewards four contingents were dispatched and attached to the B. W. I. Regiment, numbering 6 officers and 341 men. The Regiment saw service in Egypt along the Canal, in France, with the Egyptian Expeditionary Force in Palestine, and also with the troops from the Union of South Africa in East Africa.

In St. Kitts-Nevis, considerable sums were expended on local defense measures, and in 1914, the Presidency made a gift of £5000 to the National Relief Fund. In 1917, an aeroplane, named The St. Christopher, costing £2000, was presented to the Imperial Government, and in the "Our Day" drive of the Red Cross in the same year, £386 was collected in the Presidency. In all, to the various War Funds, St. Kitts-Nevis contributed £11666, £7000 of this being given as a Government grant.

In October, 1917, owing to difficulty in obtaining sufficient supplies of sea island cotton for aeronautical purposes, the British Government found it necessary, for Imperial interests, to commandeer all the sea island cotton produced in the Colony. Its exportation was prohibited, and a price scale fixed ranging from 3s to 4s 7d per pound. During the year St. Kitts-Nevis exported 300,581 lbs. of lint, and had remaining at the end of the year, awaiting shipment, over 80,000 lbs.

During 1918 the question of the issue of Red Cross stamps was considered, but the Colonial Office in London refused to give the necessary approval.

(To be continued.)

COLLECTORS CLUB DINNER.

As we go to press we learn that the 26th annual dinner of the New York Collectors Club held at the Cafe Boulevard, Dec. 16, was a great success. There was an attendance of around one hundred and a notable occasion resulted. John N. Luff was the toastmaster. The chairman of the dinner committee was E. M. Sperling. Is connection with the dinner, from 2 to 5 P. M., there was an exhibition participated in by Hon. E. R. Ackerman, J. M. Bartels, Dr. Carroll Chase, J. Brace Chittenden, Edward S. Knapp, A. F. Lichtenstein, John N. Luff, Charles Lathrop Pack, Charles J. Phillips, Joseph H. Pullen, T. E. Steinway and others.

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The WEEKLY is desirous of co-operating in securing a situation for Fred A. Jekel, 2203 Miami St., St. Louis, Mo. Mr. Jekel is a veteran of the world war and received injuries which made it impossible for him to continue his former occupation in the wholesale leather business. He began the collecting of stamps and as a shut-in became intimately acquainted with them and is well qualified to accept a situation with some stamp company. We take the liberty of presenting a picture of our friend.

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MR. HIND GETS MORE FERRARITIES.

Arthur Hind of this city, who obtained a British Guiana one penny black stamp last spring at a world's record price, has just purchased in Paris a pair of Spanish stamps for 120,000 francs. One of these two stamps is a misprint, being marked "2 reis," and was printed in the center of a block of stamps of "6 reis" value. It was sold to Mr. Grieber, a London buyer, who acts for the Utican. —*Utica Daily Press.*

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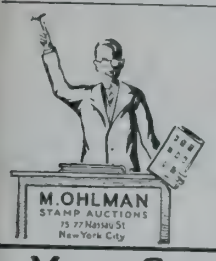

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(The following article has had a very wide circulation in the press of the country and many of our subscribers have favored us with it. It is very evident that the numeral 13 has much to its credit with all the superstition there is regarding it.—W. O. W.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Postmaster General Work has received from members of the American history class of Shepherd College State Normal School, Shepherdstown, W. Va., a petition that the Post Office Department again issue 13-cent stamps, recently abandoned. The petition declares that the entire history of the United States is bound up in the figure 13, and gives the following historical reasons why the stamp should be issued:

America was discovered on the night of the thirteenth of the month.

The Republic originally consisted of thirteen colonies.

The first official flag had thirteen stars and thirteen stripes.

The American Eagle requires thirteen letters to spell it, as does also the motto, "E Pluribus Unum."

The first word to pass over the transatlantic cable was transmitted on the thirteenth of the month.

The silver quarter is written all over with thirteen. Around the head of Liberty are thirteen stars; the eagle bears in olive branch with thirteen leaves in the claw and thirteen thunderbolts in the other. On his breast is a shield bearing thirteen bars and in his beak is a ribbon bearing the motto with thirteen letters; each wing has thirteen feathers and it takes thirteen letters to spell quarter dollar.

There are thirteen letters in John Paul Jones's name.

There were thirteen ships in the first American navy.

Perry's victory on Lake Erie was won on the thirteenth of the month.

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COLLECTORS CLUB ANNUAL.

(Supplementing the news article appearing elsewhere in this issue, we reprint the following from the New York "Times" as offering some additional news. The presence of the Third Assistant Postmaster General was a fitting recognition of the work of this representative organization.—W. O. W.)

Third Assistant Postmaster General W. Irving Glover told more than one hundred members of the Collectors Club at their annual dinner recently at the Café Boulevard, Broadway and Forty-first Street, that the philatelic agency established by the Government Dec. 6, 1921, had sold stamps to the value of $48,157, chiefly to collectors and dealers, during the year. The agency only sells current United States stamps and efforts are made to provide dealers and collectors with fine, perfectly centred specimens. Sometimes early issues are discovered in clearing out small post-offices and these are also sold at face value, although they may be worth it many times.

"The Philatelic Agency has made a profit during the year," added Mr. Glover, "of $35,690, and among the expenses is the entire cost of the plates and engraving of the new United States stamp issues, several values of which have been placed on sale."

John N. Luff, president of the club, presided. Among the speakers were Charles Lathrop Pack, president of the American Forestry Association, who has one of the finest postage stamp collections in this country, and Charles J. Phillips, formerly one of the largest dealers in London, but who has just come here to make America his permanent home.

Mr. Pack is planning to send some of his stamps to the international exhibition in London next May, which he said would be the greatest philatelic event in respect to choice stamp exhibitions ever seen in the world.

A cablegram offering congratulations to the club was received from Fred Melville of London, President of the Junior Philatelic Club, who is probably the leading stamp expert in Europe.

Among those present were many of the best known collectors in the city, including A. F. Lichtenstein, Dr. H. Brace Chittenden, E. M. Sperling, Dr. Lionel Hartley, Hugh M. Clarke, Theodore E. Steinway, J. Murray Bartels, George Walcott, C. F. Heyerman of Detroit, President of the American Philatelic Society; Robert Hatch, President of the Rotary Club of New York; Alfred H. Caspary, Arthur D. Bullard, Alvin Good, Walter Scott, Joseph H. Rich, Major J. Philip Benkard, Julius C. Morgenthau, Edward Stern and Judge Robert S. Emerson of Providence.

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U. S. RAILROAD CANCELLATIONS PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 1, 1861.

By CARROLL CHASE.

Five lists of railroad cancellations have previously appeared, but a new one now seems necessary because of additions and the identification of some of the undeciphered postmarks in previous lists. The table speaks for itself. The name of the railroad route did not always correspond with the name of the road or roads over which the letters were carried, so occasionally the name in the postmark is different from the name of any railroad then existing. Of course it often happened that stamps were used after the succeeding set had appeared, and when the stamp or cover with railroad cancellation show no year date it is placed under the column dated for that issue. The various colors of ink used for the postmarks are noted in these columns.

Unless otherwise stated in the last column headed "Remarks," it should be understood that the cancellation is the ordinary circular form with the date (month and day only) in the center.

A few railroad cancellations have been seen only on stamped envelopes. These are placed under the heading of the period in which they were probably used, and a note of this has been made in the column headed "Remarks."

I have a record of about twenty partly identified postmarks which I have not attempted to list. These are all different from any of the listed varieties.

The list is of course still incomplete, though the great majority of the various roads using cancellations is now known. A considerable number of other colors and periods of use of postmarks already noted will yet come to light. It seems rather remarkable that so many exist, but it must be remembered that the consolidation of the numerous short lines into the great systems of today had not yet taken place. It is interesting to note that red was the common color used before the 1851 issue came into use, but that after 1851 black rapidly superseded the red, as the latter color did not show up well on the three cent stamps.

Acknowledgment is made as follows for railroad cancellations kindly submitted since the previous lists appeared.

To Messrs. H. P. Atherton, H. S. Bellinger, H. A. Bullard, Robert S. Emerson, E. D. Field, W. F. Goerner, C. A. Heath, A. K. M'Daniel, K. C. B. Nevin, J. J. O'Donohue, Doctor R. W. Payne, George B. Sloane, George Wolcott, and once more to Mr. M. Ray Sanborn for his kind assistance in identifying railroads, etc.

The writer will be pleased to examine, for the purpose of listing in a later revised table, any railroad cancellations *for these periods only* not here given. Or to have submitted on approval any such, or any listed that are marked with a star—the star indicating that the cancellation is not in the writer's collection; but, his 1847 collection having been sold, the 1847 period railroad cancellations marked with a star are now wanted (for purchase) only on covers without stamps. Address Dr. Carroll Chase, 1170 Dean St., Brooklyn, N. Y. Emphasis is again placed on the fact that railroad cancellations on later issues are *not* wanted.

Name as it appears in the Postmark.	Size.	Before July 1, 1847.	1847. July 1, 1847 to July 1, 1851.	1851. July 1, 1851 to Feb. 24, 1857.	1857. Feb. 24, 1857 to Sept. 1, 1861.	REMARKS.
Ac.& St.L.& An.&Kk.R.R.	32 mm.	.....	.....	Black	Black	Atlantic & St. Lawrence & Androscoggin & Kenebeck R. R.
Ala. & Ten. Riv. R.R.	34 mm.	.....	.....	Black*	Black*	Alabama & Tennessee River R. R. Seen only on 1853 issue stamped envelopes and 1857 issue adhesives. There are two slightly different types of this postmark.
Alby. & Buffalo R.R.	32 mm.	.....	Red* Blue	.....	.....	Albany & Buffalo R. R. Slightly different from the next. The periods of "R. R." are raised—even with the middle of the letters.
Alby. & Buffalo R.R.	32 mm.	.....	Blue*	Black Blue	.....	Albany & Buffalo R.R. Slightly different from the preceding. The periods of "R. R." are even with the bottom of the letters. I am not sure of the "1847."
Alby. & Buffalo R.R.	30½ mm.	.....	.....	Blue	.....	Albany & Buffalo R. R.
Alexa. & Orange R.R.	32 mm.	.....	.....	Red	.....	Alexandria & Orange R. R. Seen only on 1853 issue stamped envelopes.
Atlantic & St. L. R.R.	32 mm.	.....	.....	Black* Blue	Black	Atlantic & St. Lawrence R. R. See also "St. Lawrence & Atlantic R. R." There may be two slightly different types of this postmark.
Augusta & Atlanta R.R.	32 mm.	.....	Red*	.....	.....	
Augusta & Atlanta R.R.	35 mm.	.....	.....	Green	.....	The only vivid green railroad cancellation seen.
Baltimore Rail Road	29½ mm.	Blue Red Ultramarine	Blue	.....	.....	The red postmark has been seen on a cover dated Oct. 30, 1839. The earliest known railroad cancellation.
Baltimore Rail Rd.	29½ mm.	Red	Red Blue*	.....	.....	
Baltimore R.R.	47 mm.	.....	Red*	Black Red*	Black	In one straight line. No date.
Baltimore & Ohio R.R.	32½ mm.	.....	.....	Black	.....	
Balt. & Ohio Rail Rd.	29½ mm.	.....	Blue	Black Blue	.....	Baltimore & Ohio R. R.
Balt. & Ohio R.R.	33 mm.	.....	.....	Black Blue*	.....	Baltimore & Ohio R. R.
Blt. & Ohio R.R. Md.	30 mm.	.....	.....	Black*	.....	Baltimore & Ohio R. R., Maryland.
Sykesville B.&O. R.R.Co.	35x25½mm.	.....	.....	.....	Black	Sykesville, Baltimore & Ohio R. R. Company. Oval Postmark.
Belvidere Delae. R.R. N.J.	29½ mm.	.....	.....	Black	Black*	Belvidere Delaware R. R., New Jersey.
Boston & Albany R.R.	30 mm.	Red*	Red	Red Black	Black*	
Boston & Albany R.R.	33 mm.	.....	.....	Black	Black	
Boston & Albany R.R.	29 mm.	.....	Red Black	Black	.....	I am not entirely sure of the black "1847."
Boston & Burlington R.R.	32½ mm.	.....	.....	Black	.....	
Boston & Fall River R.R.	32 mm.	.....	.....	Red	.....	
Boston & Ftchburg R.R.	33 mm.	.....	Blue*	.....	.....	Boston & Fitchburg R. R.
Boston & Fitchburg R.R.	33 mm.	.....	Red* Blue*	Black Blue	.....	The red "1847" is on an undated cover, but probably belongs in this period.
Boston & Maine R.R.	34 mm.	.....	Red*	Red	.....	
Boston & Maine R.R.	32 mm.	.....	Blue*	Blue	Black	Two slightly different types of the blue "1851" and probably of the black "1857."
Boston & Providence R.R.	37 mm.	.....	.....	.....	Black	
Buffalo & Erie R.R.	32 mm.	.....	.....	Black Blue	Black Blue Ultramarine	
C. Vincent & Rome R.R.	32½ mm.	.....	.....	Black	Black*	Cape Vincent & Rome R. R.
C.Z. & C.R.R. Ohio	34 mm.	.....	.....	Black	.....	Cleveland, Zanesville & Cincinnati R. R.
C.P. & A. R.R.Painesville	34½ X 25½ mm.	.....	.....	.....	Black	Cleveland, Painesville & Ashtabula R. R Oval.
Cayuga & Susqh. R.R.	33 mm.	.....	.....	Black	.....	Cayuga & Susquehanna R. R.
Cayuga & Susqh. R.R.	34 mm.	.....	.....	.....	Black	Cayuga & Susquehanna R. R.
Central R.R.	33 mm.	.....	.....	.....	Black	There were several "Central Railroads" at this period. This is probably the New Jersey road.
Central R.R. N.J.	31 mm.	.....	.....	Black*	.....	Central R. R., New Jersey.

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—Mr. Joseph Hoffman, who is pushing the philatelic supply division of the Elbe File and Binder Co., Inc., New York, has returned from an extended trip in the interests of his firm. Mr. Hoffman has introduced the meritorious line carried by his company among the stamp dealers from coast to coast and his intelligent sales methods have made him many friends, aside from the qualities of his spring binder specialties for stamp use.

—Mr. Horace Wade the brilliant young boy reporter of the Chicago *Evening American* is an enthusiastic collector and the Chicago Philatelic Society expects to have him as a guest at a coming meeting.

—We have received from Mr. Oney K. Carstarphen, tax consultant of the trust department of the American Exchange National Bank of New York City, a copy of the fourth edition of "Tax Information" compiled by Mr. Carstarphen, who will be remembered by the older collector for his philatelic activities.

—We have received from Mr. Frank Godden of London an advance copy of the Postage Stamps of France, by Sir James R. Andrew Clark, Bart., C. B., C. M. G., F. R. P. S. L., which will have due consideration in the next issue of the WEEKLY.

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—We have received from A. E. Tuttle of Philadelphia, Pa., his annual price list of stamps in sets and packets. It represents a very substantial list of 60 pages and a specimen may be obtained upon application.

—A Tri-City Stamp Club is being organized to include Rock Island and Moline, Ill., and Davenport, Iowa. Nine members have so far been enrolled and at least twenty are expected at the next meeting. Anyone nearby interested in this stamp club should communicate with W. F. Cannon, 1413 Carey Av., Davenport, Iowa. The officers have not yet been elected.

—Leon Minassian, formerly of Smyrna, is now located at 120 W. 116 St., New York City.

—A correspondent calls our attention to the fact that the cancellation in connection with the International Silk Exposition may be withdrawn from use on the grounds that this class of advertising is forbidden by the postal laws and regulations. It is claimed that such advertising is by no means confined to this Silk Exposition, but that other industrial, sectional and semi-private enterprises have been enjoying the same kind of publicity promotion. The Fourth Assistant Postmaster General is quoted as saying that he considered the Silk Exposition a matter in which the public would be interested, hence the authorization.

—We have received from W. W. Betts, the Clearfield, Pa., dealer, a very handsome office calendar, and we are grateful for the courtesy shown.

—The Brooklyn Stamp Club, at its meeting, December 13, elected the following officers for 1923: President, H. C. Meyer; Vice-President, George Ring; Treasurer, Wm. J. Coleman; Secretary, Wm. Lycett; Financial Secretary, N. Patteck; Delegates to the United Stamp Societies, R. M. Osborne and Wm. Lycett; Alternate T. V. Binmore. Board of Governors, Gus Fabian, Daniel Holzer, R. Tiedemann, T. V. Binmore. C. W. A. Braun was elected Sales Manager at a previous meeting. The Club holds weekly meetings at Howard Avenue and Hancock Street, with an average attendance of twenty, and has a fine class of membership. A cordial invitation is extended stamp collectors to visit these meetings.

—We have received a specimen of the 2d Irish stamp. It is in green and pictures a map of Ireland. Wm. Ward, to whom we are indebted for the favor, informs us that it was issued Dec. 6, to commemorate the signing of the constitution of the Irish Free State. It is printed in sheets of 240 in two panes, divided by a marginal design like the British issues, but without control numbers.

—Collectors in Fresno, Cal., propose to start a stamp club for that city and vicinity. Collectors residing in any of the towns nearby or in the city of Fresno are urged to communicate with I. E. Wilson, 644 Dudley Ave., Fresno, who has the project in charge.

—A. S. Davenport sends no fewer than four clippings, three of which we shall use, while the fourth (a clipping from the New York *Times* of Dec. 17) is an ambitious article dealing with various interesting phases and latest happenings in philately. The article takes about two columns, but the name of the author is not given.

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Our fellow editor, C. Gordon Fennell, has launched a campaign in his house paper, *Sudden Service Surcle,* that should be aided and abetted by all thinking stamp folks. The reform advocated is based on fairness and good faith and it is time that it is pressed to fulfilment. Mr. Fennell's words should arouse the tolerant and complacent philatelic gentry to action; and he says: "Have you ever paid a nice fat price for a beautiful, scarce stamp that you needed just to complete the set, and then have a more worldly friend show you the covered defect? Show you where you had paid a first-class price for a fifth-class article? Most of us have at one time or another. And, unfortunately, or perhaps, fortunately, many a collector quits the hobby, or raises an awful rumpus?" In these few words, Mr. Fennell condemns a condition from which we must have relief. The practice of selling repaired stamps, unmarked as to their true character, has been criticized perfunctorily and it is agreed that the custom is a reprehensible one and should be abandoned, but no actual results are manifest. Mr. Fennell continues: "Undoubtedly stamps, Skilfully repaired, are sold every day as perfect. This is done in some cases thru intent, but in most thru ignorance. And here's how it works. A reliable dealer has a repaired stamp. Not wishing to mislead his customer he writes 'repaired' beneath it on the approval card, prices and sells it accordingly. Very few collectors take the trouble or harbor the inclination to so designate the repaired stamps purchased after arranging them in his album. It is quite apparent, therefore, that when the collection comes on the market, the repaired stamps are very likely to be sold as perfect, mainly thru ignorance of their true condition." Mr. Fennell fortifies his position from every angle until it is unassailable; and then proceeds to cite his remedy: "Therefore, we believe, in order to protect the collector, that every repaired stamp handled by a dealer, should be stamped on the back as such. This should be done with a very small rubber stamp 'repaired' or by use of a symbol to be nationally adopted by dealers and repair men. We believe that a small 'R' surrounded by a circle would be an unoffensive but unmistakable sign. It should be placed always in the exact center of the stamp." We shall not let the subject rest in future numbers.

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In a Spanish contemporary, we find the following paragraph on a subject that is of perennial interest: Who was the first collector? We translate freely from the *Madrid Philatelico,* as follows: "Much has been written, is written and will be written about the origin of philately. If seven cities of Greece contest the honor of having been the cradle of the divine Homer, more than seven and more than nine nations pretend today to be the cradle of stamp collecting; but if on this subject nothing final may be affirmed, there appears to be many reasons in favor of the Brussels claim that it is known with absolute certainty that the first collector was an inhabitant of Lille, named Victor Wetzel, who from the 6th of May, 1840, began to keep all postage stamps that fell into his hands, pasting them on the black pages of his note-book." This is an early date with a vengeance and we hope that no busy investigator will try to advance it more than a week, as the penny black of Great Britain was issued on May 1st, 1840. Even so, we are reluctant to transfer our allegiance to the chap who in the '50's is said to have placed foreign stamps on large maps of the countries of issue.

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A collector who is writing up his collection of Argentine Republic asks us for a short biography of W. Brown, whose portrait is the central design of 20 pesos green of the issue of 1891. We remember that some mystery attaches to this celebrity so far as locating him in some of the books of reference is concerned and an examination of the material at hand gives no clue to the history of this personage. We shall look further but if any reader is in possession of the desired information, it is asked that he favor us with it.

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At different times, we have called attention to labels sometimes found on letters dated years ago, that were unpaid or not sufficiently postpaid. The following text illustrates the purpose of these pasters: "This letter was dropped in the office without being prepaid, and would have been sent to the Dead Letter Office, but realizing the frequent importance of such letters, we have paid the postage and forwarded it. Please return what may seem to you an equivalent for its value and importance, to be used for a like purpose. Address, Bassett & Stokes, Louisville, Ky." Here is a bit of commentary reading on the suggestions of this label that we have lifted from an article, The Post-Office, by Wm. R. Hooper, in *Leisure Hours* for November, 1868: "In 1856, all letters were required to be prepaid; and we all remember the devices postmasters used to insure prepayment; and that in many cities, where unpaid letters would find their way into the mail bags, benevolent individuals would generously remit a sum sufficient to speed the unstamped wanderer on its desired journey; a work now systematically carried on by our Young Men's Christian Associations in many cities." It is evident that some of the philanthropists had an eye for business, as we have seen three different stickers on which the propriety of remitting to the payer of the delinquency in postage was cleverly stressed.

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A correspondent, writing from Tokyo, Japan, says: "There is nothing new in the stamp line out here except that Itoya, the big stationer on the Ginza, has put in a large line of small stock books, general albums, tweezers, hinges, magnifying glasses and cheap packets. They are all English make. There are no American albums for sale in Tokyo,—a fact that some enterprising American manufacturer should note. Scott's catalogue sells out here and is more common than Gibbons."

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We recently had an opportunity to examine a find of original covers that was made in Indiana by a member of the Chicago Philatelic Society and in the lot were a thirty-cent, 1869; and a twelve and twenty-four cent 1871 on the same cover, not to mention others. The thirty- cent, 1869, was interesting as having represented a domestic rate on a registered letter from Grand Rapids, Michigan, and so did the other cover. The buyer of the 1869 cover was particularly anxious to have it because it did not have a foreign address. That reminds us that we have never had more particulars from the Boston old-timer who remembered having sent a lot of pension papers from Boston to Washington, in a large envelope prepaid by a ninety-cent, 1869, and another stamp of the same issue. In answer to our last letter of several years ago to him, we received word from his daughter that he was seriously ill, and so, we fear that further testimony will not be forthcoming.

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In 1903, a set of postage stamps was being prepared for Serbia, showing the head of King Alexander. Before they were issued, however, the king had been murdered. On June 10th, 1903, there had been a military coup d'etat at Belgrade. Colonel Maschin, the Queen's brother-in-law, Colonel Misitch, and a band of officers, forced their way into the royal palace and cruelly butchered King Alexander and Queen Draga. General Petrovitch and many of the guards who tried to defend them were also killed. King Peter was then chosen king, and as there were no stamps with the new king's portrait on, the Provisional Government ordered all the Serbian stamps bearing the head of the late King Alexander to be overprinted with the Arms of Serbia. This was done in various colours, blue, black, red or magenta, and as the stamps were urgently needed many errors were made.

Curious Birds.—On the low values of the 1905 issue of New Caledonia is depicted a kagu, an almost extinct bird. It is extremely curious and was discovered after the French occupation of the island in 1852. It is rather a long-legged bird, about the size of a fowl, with large eyes and red legs and beak. Its plumage is a light slate colour and on its head is a full pendent crest. When at but it is subject to fits of excitement, when it dances round and indulges in remarkable antics.

Quite a different kind of bird is shown on the 1898 issue of Cook Islands (now Rarotonga) It is the torea, a bird about the size of a duck. On the stamps the bird is shown flying over the sea with the island of Rarotonga with its twin peaks in the distance. The flight of this bird is extraordinarily rapid. It has its chief rookery on Malden Island, noted for its guano deposits. The bird will allow you to walk through the rookery, and even to handle the young birds and eggs without making any more remonstrance than a squeal. They never build nests and only sit upon one egg, which is a dirty white colour with brown spots.

A fine statue of Kamehameha I. of Hawaii is shown on the 25c of 1882, of the Sandwich Islands. This statue stands in front of the old Government Buildings or Hall of the High Chiefs, now known as the Judiciary Buildings. Kamehameha I. was the first king of the whole group of islands. The statue was designed by Thomas R. Gould, of Boston, U.S.A., modelled in Florence, and cast in bronze in Paris. Kamehameha is depicted wearing a feather helmet, and a cloak made of feathers from the sacred bird mamo. He also carries three barbed spears in his left hand.

The kris, the curious national weapon of the Malays, is shown on the current 8c stamps of the Straits Settlements. It is a dagger with a wavy blade, the handle and scabbard being much ornamented. It was formerly worn by almost every male over fourteen and by many women too, but it is now illegal for the natives to wear a kris, except in Trengganu, where the privilege is still extended.

A Wonderful Temple.—Bangkok possesses a wonderful pagoda known as the Wat Cheng or Temple of Light. It can be found on the 1906 issue of Siam, below the king's portrait. Wat Cheng stands on the western bank of the river Menam, and the lofty steeple is the highest of all the pagodas of Bangkok. The precincts of the temple occupy a vast space of ground, and contain the invariable adjuncts of a Buddhist monastery in Siam, viz., a sanctuary with its images, a preaching hall, a library, twenty-five monks' dwellings, gardens, tanks, grotesque statues and parti-coloured dagobas. These statues, etc., are in an advanced state of decay. In the niches of Wat Cheng are figures, none of which is whole. From the temple ground rises an immense tapering incrusted spire, easily seen on the stamps, halfway up the sides of which it is possible to climb by steep steps. Here the three-headed elephants, said to be the symbol of the triple incarnation of Buddha, look out from each side of the tower, and a wide prospect is outspread of the curving river and the pinnacles of the Royal Palace rising from its battlements of white.

On the 4½d value of Malta, 1886 issue, we see a xebec or boat from Gorzo with latteen or triangular sails. These boats have a graceful, low and buoyant hull with a high stem and raking stern. Although fitted with three masts and sails they have powerful oars to assist them in the lengthened calms so frequent in the Mediterranean.

Uruguay in 1909 issued two stamps to celebrate the opening of the new port of Montevideo. The stamps show a picture of the new port, which took two years to build. Great festivities were to take place, but a sad accident put a stop to them. On the morning of August 24th, the liner "Columbia" collided with the S. S. "Schlesien," the former sinking within a few minutes with a loss of over one hundred lives.—*Postage Stamp.*

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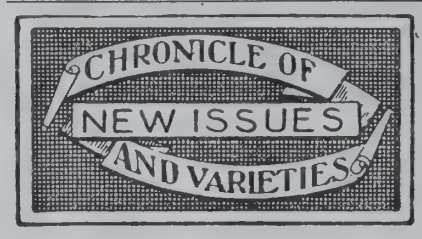

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—The new Scott "Specialized United States" has been issued and the publishers are to be commended for at last giving the specialist what he has been clamoring for for years. The booklet is leather bound, pocket size, of about seventy pages, printed in single column on one side of the page and has been compiled by one of Scott's able assistants. Mr. Eugene N. Costales "after consultation with many of America's leading specialists." This year only the General issues, including coils, booklets and special prints, are covered and we are told that the scope of the book will be extended if the interest warrants it.

Singles and blocks are priced throughout and in the case of the early imperforate issues pairs also. Most known minor varieties are listed and we have for the first time an extensive priced list of the different 1850-1857 plate varieties. In the late issues all types and dies are given including the dies of the coils. Those who have never collected blocks will be surprised at some of the prices, but they well reflect today's market condition. While here and there a price is exceptionally high, it must be remembered that hardly two persons will agree on the price of any exceptional item.

We regret to note that they have not seen fit to designate the minor varieties by letters for this would have enabled you to refer to a minor variety by number. As it is you will have to give the number of the main variety and then designate the sub-variety by mentioning what it is. We would also like to see the year dates given in the case of the coils and booklets, for the list is somewhat confusing as it stands. Taken all in all it is the most complete catalogue of United States varieties ever compiled and one interested in our issues can hardly do without it.

Mr. J. H. Houston sends me a clipping from one of the Washington papers, stating that the 2c stamp will be issued before Christmas but I hardly believe this will be the case for I have been notified that they will not appear until after the first of the year. The clipping further states that "the new issue of stamps bearing the heads of Jefferson and Monroe" will follow. This may be so, but it is likely that it will be around the middle of January when they are issued.

At a recent Scott sale the 10c 1847, horizontal half, used as 5c, supposed to be unique, passed into a middle west collection at $1,000. A beautiful 4c Columbian, error of color, possibly as fine a copy as exists, sold at $111. A mint copy of the 1902 4c with Schermack perforations in wonderful condition found a new home at $94. Prices generally for fine things were high.

At the Klein sale held in Philadelphia on December 15th the main attractions were a wonderful assortment of seventy-two covers of the 1851-1865 period with steamboat and packet cancellations. The prices, except in the case of one or two pieces, were rather low, for 49 covers sold around $4 each, or less, and a great many as low as $1.50 to $2. The highest price paid was $22 for a "Steamer J. F. Pargoud" on the 3c 1857. A "Regular Ouachita Passenger Packet Steamer Dr. Buffington" sold at $21.25, a "Steamer D. S. Tracey" on the 3c 1851 at $14, while a "Bayou Steamer Judah Touro" changed hands at $13.25. A "Steamer Paul Jones" sold at $17, while several sold at $16.25, including "U. S. Mail Packet Natchez," "Packet Steamer New Latona," "Southern Bell" and "Swamp Fox." A "Steamer Peerless" reached $16.75, while a "New Orleans Alexandria & Natchitoches Packet D. Dalmau" sold at $16.50. We do not recall such a nice lot being offered for many a day.

AUSTRIA.—1922 (Nov. 10th). Air post stamps, designed by Wm. Dachauer, engraved by Ferdinand Schirnbock and printed at State Printing Works, Vienna. Perf 12½: 300kr claret, 600kr olive, 900kr brown-orange, 1,200kr purple, 2,400kr steel blue.—*West End Philatelist.*

BOLIVIA.—Mr. Guy West Wilson sends us the following: In MEKEEL'S No. 1664, p. 376 (Nov. 25, '22) there is a note concerning certain Bolivian stamps, closing with the query "Has anyone else run across these?" The following extracts from the New Issue Chronicle of the WEEKLY appear to be pertinent:

"Revista Filatelica chronicles and illustrates a new series * * * * Design rectangular oblong, fancy frame with CORREOS DE BOLIVIA in white sans-serif capitals upon curving ribbon label across top, scroll work at sides, and words of denomination in straight label at bottom, also in white sans-serif capitals on color, circles in each lower corner, placed above the denomination label, contain the numeral of denomination, also in white on color. Frames are the same for all denominations, but the central medalion varies with each.

1c green, Ruins of Tiahuanacu; 2c red, Cathedral at (same); 5c brown, (same); 10c violet, Bay Titicaca; 20c orange, Lake Titicaca; 50c blue, Gauqui and LaPaz R.R.; 1b carmine, Ruins of Tiahuanacu; 2b Port of Guaqui; 5b black, Coat of Arms. *American Philatelist."*—MEKEEL'S No. 1480 pp. 163, 166, May 10, 1919.

"BOLIVIA.—An entire new pictorial series has been placed on sale in this Republic, the values, colours, and subjects being stated to be as follows:— * * * [The list is essentially as that given above, continuing—] We list these on the authority of the *Revista Filatelica,* but we cannot quite reconcile the Chronicle with some of the pictorial stamps actually received. The subject of the 2c is we believe, Lake Titicaca, and not the one shown in the Chronicle." MEKEEL'S No. 1489, p. 243, July 12, 1919. [*Note.* The 2c referred to appears to be Scott's No. 113.]

Later a quotation is published from an "Official Communication which reads in part as follows: 'The administration of Bolivia advised the General Post Office of Argentine (*sic*) that there has been discovered in circulation a series of stamps which are unauthorized and which are a fraud on the philatelic public. These stamps are being circulated between stamp collectors in Chile and Argentine (*sic*) and are advertised in certain magazines; the list follows:—(same as above). The communication was printed in *Lu Epccs* of Buenos Aires under date of August 5th." MEKEEL'S No. 1507, p. 420, Nov. 15, 1919.

This appears to fix the status of the stamps and explain why they are not listed by Scott.

BRITISH GUIANA.—The Economist Stamp Co. have advised of the 6c blue current type on script watermarked paper.

CEYLON.—The Economist Stamp Co. have shown us the 50c on script watermarked paper.

DENMARK.—Mr. A. E. Pade sends us No. 123, 7ö orange surcharged "8" in each lower corner in the same manner as for 8ö on 12ö, No. 144. Also No. 151, 10ö green overprinted "Postfaerge" at the top as previously done in stamps of this surcharge.

EGYPT.—Mr. R. Roberts submits for chronicle the following values of this country overprinted with Crown and Arabic inscription "Kingdom of Egypt": 1m brown, 2m red, 3m orange, 4m green,

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IRISH FREE STATE.—Apropos page 160, Mr. J. W. Sidwell, Leicester, writes that the 5d *does* exist with Thom overprint in black.

Mr. E. O'Byrne, Rathmines, notifies dates on which he obtained supplies of the Thom provisionals, viz.:—

½d, August 23rd; 1d, July 20th; 2½d, October 23rd; 3d, July 11th; 4d, September 8th; 5d, August 11th; 9d, August 10th; 9d (sage green), November 6th; 10d, August 24th; 2s 6d, October 31st.—*Stamp Collecting.*

ITALY.—According to *Il Corriere Filatelico* a set of four commemorative postage stamps is about to be issued in honour of the Tercentenary of the Propagation of the Faith, an institution founded by Pope Gregory XV. in 1622. The design common to all values will portray Christ among His disciples. Surrounding the central motif will be the Arms of the four great religious orders which have helped to propagate the Christian religion, viz., the Jesuits, Carmelites, Dominicans and Franciscans, with the motto "Euntes docete omnes gentes." The total issue will comprise 200,000 sets of 15, 20, 40 and 80 centesimi stamps, of which 150,000 will be set aside for sale on behalf of the National Society for the protection of Italian emigrants in the East.—*Philatelic Magazine.*

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JAMAICA.—Mr. Leonard Whitely sends us a copy of the 1d of the "Arawak making Cassava" type with the words "Postage & Revenue" at the base below the inscription noted above. Also the new 6d pictorial which shows the "Town and Harbour of Port Royal (About 1850)". The stamp is oblong and with an ultramarine border with the picture in black. At the top is the name of the colony and at the right "Postage" and at the left "Revenue" with the figures of value in each lower corner. The inscripion is at the base.

JOHORE.—Mr. R. Roberts sends us the 6c dull purple and mauve and 12c dull purple and blue on script watermarked paper.

MOROCCO (*French Protectorate*).—New color for 75c Aerial Mail adhesive —*green,* replacing the blue, which has been withdrawn.—*Stamp Collecting.*

MOZAMBIQUE.—Messrs. Whitfield King & Co., report receipt of the 15c, 60c, 80c and 2 escudos, in new colours.—*Stamp Collecting.*

NORWAY.—The inscription on the current Postage Due stamps has been amended from "at betale" to "a betale," in which form the following have appeared:—4 öre lilac, 40 öre ultramarine, 100 öre orange, 200 öre blue-violet. —*Philatelic Mazazine.*

TCHAD.—The Eoncomist Stamp Co. inform us that the 1907-18 stamps of Middle Congo have been surcharged TCHAD in black. Also the 60c on 75c has been overprinted in like manner.

DR. CHASE AT WATERBURY, CT.

Dr. Carroll Chase, of Brooklyn, N. Y., considered one of the foremost authorities of the country on stamps addressed the members of the Waterbury stamp club, Dec. 11th at 8 o'clock, at a meeting held in the Mattatuck historical society building. Dr. Chase brought with him a book containing about 15 pages of stamps from his collection, the majority of these stamps being of the early issues of United States, a few of which were almost priceless.

Dr. Chase explained each stamp in his collection, even going into details in telling from which plate they were made. He had a large number of the 1847, 1851, 1855, 1856 and 1857 issues of stamps. He also explained the cancellations of the stamp, many of which were on the original mailing envelope. One interesting envelope was one that the Adams Express company used in delivering mail from the North to the South during the Civil War, carrying it through the lines.

William D. Pierson presided at the meeting. Dr. Chase was given a rising vote of thanks by the members, and was made an honorary member of the Waterbury Stamp Club. Announcement was made by the presiding officer that the next meeting will be held Jan. 8, at which time the election of officers will be held, reports made, and a member of the governing board selected. President Pierson named Frederick Upson, Robert E. Platt and Theodore Beard as a committee to nominate officers to be voted on at the next meeting. It was also announced that an auction of stamps would be held at the end of the next meeting. —*Waterbury American.*

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NEW STAMPS ISSUED FOR EGYPT.

A new chapter is added to the philatelic story of modern Egypt by the appearance of the current stamps overprinted with the device of a crown surmounting an inscription in Arabic, which signifies "The Egyptian Kingdom —March 15, 1922." Early next year these provisional stamps will be replaced by a new issue showing the head of King Fuad I and a view of the Pyramids.

When postage stamps were first introduced into Egypt on January 1, 1866, the country was a dependency of the Ottoman Empire and the designs were modelled closely upon those of the contemporary Turkish issue, the inscriptions likewise being Turkish characters.

A more distinctive type, representing a vignette of the Sphinx and Pyramids flanked by Pompey's Pillar and Cleopatra's Needle was introduced in the following year (1867), but with the watermark of the Turkish national emblem, the single star and crescent.

While the successive issues record the modern history of Egypt, the current designs illustrate her past glories. They include the image of Isis, goddess of the Nile, the statue of Ramedes II, the Sphinx, the Colossi of Thebes, the Pylon of Karnak, the Rock Temple of Abu Simbel, and the historic Citadel of Cairo. —Clipping from R. D. WELDON.

COSTA RICA.

1863-92
*½r, No. 3 ..... .03
*2r, No. 4 ..... .06
4r, No. 5 ..... *.35
*2c on ½r, No. 9 .10
1c, No. 16 ..... *.05
2c, No. 17 ..... *.05
5c, No. 18 ..... .03
10c, No. 19 ..... .15
40c, No. 20 ..... *.15
5c, No. 21 ..... .05
10c, No. 22 ..... *.08
*1c, No. 23 ..... .07
*5c, No. 24 ..... .07
*1c to 20c, Nos. 25-6-8-9, ea. .... .02
5c, No. 27 ..... *.05
*50c, No. 30 .... .04
*1p, No. 31 ..... .08
*2p, No. 32 ..... .25
5p, No. 33 ..... *.75
*10p, No. 34 .... 1.25
1c to 20c, Nos. 35 to 39, ea. .02
*1p, No. 41 ..... .15
*2p, No. 42 ..... .15
*5p, No. 43 ..... .15
1901-11
1c to 10c, Nos. 45 to 48, ea. .02
20c, No. 49 ..... .03
*50c, No. 50 .... .23
50c, No. 50 ..... .07
2col, No. 52 .... .20
4c, No. 55 ..... .12
*6c, No. 56 ..... .30
25c, No. 57 ..... .04
1c on 20c, No. 58 .07
1c on 20c, No.58b .07
10c, No. 63 ..... .03
*25c, No. 65 .... .30
*1col, No. 67 .... .60
4c, No. 71 ..... .04
20c, No. 74 ..... .08
25c, No. 75 ..... .06
2c, No. 80 ..... .05
*2c, No. 80b 1.50
5c, No. 82 ..... .03
*1c on 10c, No. 86 .03
1c on 25c, No. 88 *.03
1c on 50c, No. 89 .18
*1c on 1col (90) .15
*1c on 5col (91) .30
*1c on 10col (92) .30
*2c on 5c, No. 93 .50
*2c on 50c (95) .05
*2c on 1col (96) .05
*2c on 5col (98) .08
*2c on 10col (99) .08
5c on 5c, No. 100 .03
Official.
5c, No. 222 ..... .50
*10c, No. 223.... .25
*40c, No. 223d... .10
*1c, No. 224 .... .05
*2c, No. 225 .... .05
*5c, No. 226 .... .05
*10c, No. 227 .... .05
*20c, No. 228 .... .05
*50c, No. 229 .... .13
*20c, No. 240.... .23
*1c, No. 248 .... .02
*2c, No. 249 .... .02
*4c, No. 250 .... .03
5c, No. 251 ..... *.03
*10c, No. 252.... .05
*25c, No. 254.... .10
*50c, No. 255.... .20
*1col, No. 256... .40
Guanacaste.
*1c, No. 404 ..... .20
*1c, No. 407 ..... .30
*2c, No. 408 ..... .30
*5c, No. 433 ..... .50
*10c, No. 435.... .13
1c, No. 437 ..... .60
2c, No. 438 ..... .60
5c, No. 439 ..... .30
20c, No. 441 .... *.10
1p, No. 443 ..... *.50
*1c, No. 446 .... .08
*2c, No. 447 .... .06
5c, No. 448 ..... .06
10c, No. 449 ..... .05

GUATEMALA.

1871-81
*1c, No. 1 ..... .03
*1c, No. 1a ..... .25
*5c, No. 2 ..... .12
*10c, No. 3 ..... .30
*20c, No. 4 ..... .18
*¼r, No. 7 ..... .15
*½r, No. 8 ..... .15
*1r, No. 9 ..... .15
*2r, No. 10 ..... .18
*½r, No. 11 ..... .06
*2r, No. 12 ..... .12
*4r, No. 13 ..... .10
*1p, No. 14 ..... .25
¼r, No. 15 ..... *.20
*1r, No. 16 ..... .20
1c on ¼r, No. 17 *.35
10c on 1r, No. 19 *.50
1882-98
1c, No. 21 ..... *.04
*2c, No. 22 ..... .03
5c, No. 23 ..... .05
10c, No. 24 ..... *.05
*20c, No. 25 ..... .05
25c on 1p (26) *.04
50c on 1p (27) .05
75c on 1p (28) .08
100c on 1p (29) .10
150c on 1p (30) .08
5c, No. 33 ..... .15
10c, No. 34 ..... .15
20c, No. 35 ..... .15
25c, No. 36 ..... .30
50c, No. 37 ..... .20
100c, No. 39 .... .40
150c, No. 40 ..... .60
1c on 2c, No. 42 *.06
1c to 10c, Nos. 43 to 47, each .02
20c, No. 48 ..... .12
25c, No. 49 ..... .15
1c on 2c, No. 50 *.02
6c on 150c (52) *.20
10c on 75c (53) *.50
10c on 200c (54) *.20
1c on 5c, No. 55 *.03
1c on 5c, No. 55b *.50
1c on 5c, No. 56 *.04
1c on 5c, No. 57 .05
1c to 10c, Nos. 58 to 61, each *.03
*12c, No. 62 ..... .10
12c, No. 62a ..... *.20
20c, No. 64 ..... *.06
25c, No. 65 ..... *.06
50c, No. 66 ..... *.06
100c, No. 68 ..... *.07
200c, No. 70 ..... *.07
500c, No. 71 ..... *.07
1c on 12c, No. 73 *.05
*10c on 20c (79) .25
6c on 2c, No. 81a 1.25
*1c on 10c (88) .02
*2c on 1c, No. 92 .05
1c on 5c, No. 97 *.02
1c on 10c, No. 98 *.02
10c, No. 103 ..... .04
*1c on 20c (106) .05
1901-21
1c on 25c (108) *.04
*6c on 25c (111) .06
1c to 10c, Nos. 114 to 118, ea. .01
20c, No. 119 ..... *.02
50c, No. 120 ..... .02
75c, No. 121 ..... *.05
1p, No. 122 ..... .04
2p, No. 123 ..... .08
25c on 1c (124) *.03
25c on 2c (125) *.04
25c on 6c (126) *.06
*25c on 75c (128) .35
*25c on 200c(130) .40
*25c on 150c(131) .40
1c on 10c (133) *.02
6c on 20c (134) .02
*6c on 50c (138) .03
25c, No. 141 ..... .03
5p, No. 142 ..... .25
5c on 75c (149) .04
*1c on 50c (151) .03
12½c/2p (153) *.06
6c on 1c, No. 155 *.02
12½c on 1c (156) .03
25c on 2c, No.157 .03
*25c, No. 158 .... .03
1p 50c, No. 162... *.05
12½c, No. 163.... .02
*2c on 30c (168) .02
*2c on 60c (169) .02
25c on 2p (170) .07
25c, No. 171 .... .03
1902 Official.
*1c, No. 251 ..... .20
*2c, No. 252 ..... .06
*5c, No. 253 ..... .08
*10c, No. 254 .... .08
*25c. No. 255 .... .13

HONDURAS.

1878-98
*1r, No. 33 ..... .03
*2r, No. 35 ..... .04
*4r, No. 36 ..... .06
*1p, No. 37 ..... .07
*25c to 1p, Nos. 45 to 50, ea. .03
*2p, No. 62 ..... .07
*5p, No. 63 ..... .07
*10p, No. 64 ..... .07
*1c to 40c, Nos. 65 to 72, each .02
*50c to 1p, Nos. 73 to 75, each .03
*75c, No. 85 ..... .03
*10c, No. 90 ..... .03
*30c, No. 92 ..... .04
*50c, No. 93 ..... .05
*1p, No. 94 ..... .05
*1c, No. 103 ..... .02
*2c, No. 104 ..... .02
*5c, No. 105a .... .05
*5c, No. 105b .... .10
*6c, No. 106 ..... .02
*10c, No. 107 .... .03
*20c, No. 108 .... .08
*50c, No. 109 .... .25
*1p, No. 110 ..... .25
1903-14
1c to 6c, Nos. 111 to 114, ea. .02
*5c to 20c, Nos. 113 to 116, ea. .03
*50c, No. 117 .... .08
*1p, No. 118 ..... .10
1c to 10c, Nos. 119 to 123, ea. .02
20c, No. 124 ..... .08
50c, No. 125 ..... .15
1p, No. 126 ..... *.18
*1c, Nos.127-a,ea. .25
*1c to 6c, Nos. 131 to 134, ea. .02
10c, No. 135 ..... *.03
*20c, No. 136 .... .08
*50c, No. 137 .... .13
*1p, No. 138 ..... .20
*2c on 1c (141) .08
2c on 10c (143) .20
*5c on 1c (145) .10

HONDURAS—Continued

5c on 10c (146) *.15
6c on 1c (148) .12
1913-20
*1c to 6c, Nos. 151 to 154, ea. .03
*10c, No. 155 .... .20
*20c, No. 156 .... .13
*50c, No. 157 .... .30
*1p, No. 158 ..... .50
*1c on 2c (159) .03
5c on 2c (160) .18
*5c on 6c (161) .35
*10c on 2c (162) .40
10c on 6c (164) *.50
10c on 50c (165) *.65
*5c, No. 168 ..... .08
*6c, No. 169 ..... .15
*10c, No. 170 .... .15
*5c on 10c (173) .25
*2c, No. 194 .... .50
Official.
*1c to 1p, Nos. 251 to 261, ea. .02
*5c, No. 273 ..... .05
*10c, No. 274 .... .05
*20c, No. 275 .... .06
*50c, No. 276 .... .20
*1p, No. 277 .... .30
*1p, No. 285 ..... 1.50
10c on 1c (295) .25

NICARAGUA.

1862-82
*1c, No. 3 ..... .10
*2c, No. 4 ..... .06
*5c, No. 5 ..... .35
*10c, No. 6 ..... .08
*25c, No. 7 ..... .10
*2c, No. 9 ..... .40
*5c, No. 10 ..... .40
*10c, No. 11 ..... .35
*25c, No. 12 ..... .15
*1c to 10c, Nos. 13 to 16, each .02
*15c, No. 17 ..... .03
*20c, No. 18 ..... .03
*50c, No. 19 ..... .20
1890-99
1c to 10c, Nos. 20 to 23, each .03
20c, No. 24 ..... .05
50c, No. 25 ..... .05
1p, No. 26 ..... .10
2p to 10p, Nos. 27 to 29, each .25
10c, No. 33 ..... .05
20c, No. 34 ..... .08
1p, No. 36 ..... .25
2p, No. 37 ..... .13
5p, No. 38 ..... .18
10p, No. 39 ..... .25
1c to 5c, Nos. 40 to 42, each .03
20c, No. 44 ..... .05
50c, No. 45 ..... .13
1p, No. 46 ..... .18
2p to 10p, Nos. 47 to 49, each .25
*50c, No. 56 ..... .02
*20c, No. 75 ..... .03
50c, No. 76 ..... .08
5c, No. 105d ..... .05
5c, No. 113 ..... .03
15c, No. 115 ..... .05
1900-9
1c, No. 121 ..... *.03
2c, No. 122 ..... *.03
5c, No. 125 ..... .03
2p, No. 132 ..... .10
5p, No. 133 ..... .15
*5p, No. 133 ..... .60
*1c, No. 137 ..... .25
*5c, No. 139 ..... .50
10c, No. 140 ..... *.75
50c, No. 143 ..... .25
*5c on 1p (146) .40
10c on 2p (147) *.25
*3c on 6c (148) .15
*20c on 5p (151) .20
*2c, No. 153 ..... .07
*5c, No. 154 ..... .10
*10c, No. 155 .... .12
*20c, No. 156 .... .25
30c, No. 157 ..... .08
*50c, No. 158 .... .43
5c, No. 159 ..... *.03
*5c, No. 160 ..... .04
15c on 2c (162) .08
*10c, No. 161 .... .05
*30c on 1c (163) .20
*1c to 1p, Nos. 167 to 174, ea. .06
5c on 10c (175) .04
*15c on 10c (176) .13
*15c on 10c(176c) .20
*5c on 10c (178) .08
*6c, No. 184 ..... .05
*10c, No. 185 .... .05
*15c, No. 186 .... .10
*20c to 5p, Nos. 187 to 191, ea. .06
10c on 3c (194) *.04
10c on 4c (195) 2.50
15c on 1c (196) .05
*20c on 2c (197) .10
*20c on 5c (198) .15
*50c on 6c (199) .15
*1c, No. 202 ..... .05
*2c, No. 203 ..... .05
*4c, No. 204 ..... .10
*10c, No. 205 .... .20
*15c, No. 206 .... .20
*20c, No. 207 .... .40
10c on 2c (212) .05
10c, No. 218 ..... .04
*1c on 5c (221) .03
2c on 5c (222) *.05
4c on 5c (223) *.06
15c on 50c (224) .10
*2c, No. 226 ..... .18
*4c on 2c (227) .25
*5c on 2c (228) .25
*10c on 2c (229) .06
*10c on 2p (235) .75
*10c on 5p (236) 1.25

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1c, No. 1 ..... .20
2c, No. 2 ..... .25
3c, No. 3 ..... 1.25
*20c, No. 6 ..... 1.25
*10c, No. 8 ..... .63
20c, No. 11 ..... .50
20c, No. 12 ..... .50
50c, No. 14 ..... .25
1c, No. 16 ..... .50
2c, No. 27 ..... *.38
*5c, No. 30 ..... .25
*6c, No. 31 ..... .50
15c, No. 33 .....*1.00
*10c, No. 53 ..... .12
15c, No. 54 ..... *.18
*20c, No. 55 ..... .20

PROVINCE OF ZELAYA.

1904-11
*1c, No. 1 ..... .75
*2c, No. 2 ..... .75
50c, No. 7 ..... 2.25
20c, No. 14 ..... 1.00
5c on 10c (16) .38
15c on 10c (19) 1.50
20c on 5p (20) .87
*1c, No. 21 ..... .13
2c, No. 22 ..... *.13
*3c, No. 23 ..... .13
*4c, No. 24 ..... .13
15c, No. 27 ..... .65
*20c, No. 28 ..... 2.00
*10c on 3c (33) .08
*15c on 1c (34) .13
*50c on 6c (37) .25
20c, No. 44 ..... .25
5c on 4c, No. 45 .05
4c, No. 76 ..... .03
15c, No. 80 ..... .13
20c, No. 81 ..... .20
*50c, No. 82 ..... .60
*1p, No. 83 ..... 1.00
*2p, No. 84 ..... 1.50
5c on 1p, No. 93 .30
1912
*2c, No. 110 ..... .06
*3c, No. 111 ..... .05
*4c, No. 112 ..... .05
*5c, No. 113 ..... .10
*10c, No. 115 .... .08
*15c, No. 116 .... .08
*20c, No. 117 .... .08
*25c, No. 118 .... .10
*35c, No. 119 .... .15
*50c, No. 120 .... .15
*1p, No. 121 ..... .25

SALVADOR.

1867-89
*½r, No. 1 ..... .03
*1r, No. 2 ..... .04
3c, No. 18 ..... *.03
*5c, No. 20 ..... .03
1c, No. 23 ..... *.05
1c, No. 24 ..... *.03
*1c, No. 26 ..... .30
*3c, No. 27 ..... .50
*1c, No. 29 ..... .15
1890-99
*1c to 50c, Nos. 38 to 45, each .02
*1c to 11c, Nos. 47 to 52, each .02
*1c on 2c, No. 57 .20
*1c to 50c, Nos. 60 to 68, each .02
*1c on 5c, No. 72 .18
1c on 20c, No. 73 *.13
*1c on 25c, No. 74 .13
*1c to 11c, Nos. 76 to 81, each .02
*25c, No. 83 ..... .04
*1p, No. 85 ..... .03
*1c on 2c, No. 89 .08
*50c, No. 99 ..... .06
*1c, No. 117 ..... .13
*3c, No. 119 ..... .05
*5c, No. 120 ..... .03
*10c, No. 121 .... .50
*15c, No. 123 .... .03
*20c, No. 124 .... .05
*24c, No. 125 .... .05
*30c, No. 126 .... .05
*50c, No. 127 .... .50
*1p, No. 128 ..... .38
*1c on 12c (129) .08
1c on 24c (130) .08
*2c on 20c (132) .06
*3c on 30c (133) .25
*1c to 10c, Nos. 134 to 138, ea. .02
*12c, No. 139 .... .20
*24c to 50c, Nos. 142 to 144, ea. .03
*1p, No. 145 ..... .15
*1c to 5c, Nos. 146 to 149, ea. .02
*10c, No. 150 .... .10
*12c, No. 151 .... .03
*15c, No. 152 .... .08
*20c, No. 153 .... .03
*30c to 100c, Nos. 155 to 157, ea. .03
*15c on 24c(158) 1.50
*1c to 10c, Nos. 159 to 163, ea. .03
*12c, No. 164 .... .13
*20c, No. 166 .... .03
*24c, No. 167 .... .03
*13c on 24c (171) .50
*13c on 50c(173) 1.00
*13c on 100c(174) .50
*13c on 50c(174c) .40
*1c, No. 175 ..... .03
*5c, No. 176 ..... .05
*3c, No. 179 ..... .05
*5c, No. 180 ..... .05
*10c, No. 181 .... .06
*12c, No. 182 .... .05
*13c, No. 183 .... .05
*20c, No. 184 .... .05
*24c to 50c, Nos. 185 to 187, ea. .03
1900 Surcharged.
*1c on 13c (242) .06
*1c on 13c (247) .18
*3c on 12c (250a) .38
*26c, No. 261 .... .75
*50c, No. 262 .... .75
*50c, No. 269 .... .63
1c, No. 270 ..... *.05
2c, No. 271 ..... *.05
3c, No. 272 ..... .05
5c, No. 273 ..... .03
13c, No. 276 ..... *.06
*24c, No. 277 .... .08
*26c, No. 278 .... .18
1905-7 Surcharged.
*3c, No. 294 ..... 1.50
*1c, No. 299 ..... 2.00
2c, No. 299b ..... *.08
*10c, No. 304 .... 1.50
3c, No. 306b 1.00
1c on 2c (312) .03
5c on 12c (312b) .15
*1c on 2c (313) .05
1c on 10c (314) .06
5c on 12c (318) .50
6c on 12c (321) .10
6c on 13c (322) .13
*6c on 13c (325) .05
*2c, No. 327 ..... .75
2c on 26c (329) *.15
2c on 26c (330)*1.25
*3c on 26c (331) .25
*1c, No. 349 ..... .06
*2c, No. 350 ..... .06
*3c, No. 351 ..... .06
1907
*1c to 13c, Nos. 355 to 362, ea. .02
*2c, No. 356a .... .08
*24c, No. 363 .... .03
*26c, No. 364 .... .03
*50c, No. 365 .... .05
*50c, No. 365a .. 1.00
*100c, No. 366 .. .06
1909
*1c to 3c, Nos. 369 to 371, ea. .02
5c, No. 372 ..... .03
10c, No. 373 ..... .05
1c, No. 374 ..... *.50
*1c, No. 375 ..... .50
2c on 13c (376) *.25
3c on 26c (377) *.25
1910-11
*1c to 12c, Nos. 378 to 384, ea. .02
*17c, No. 386 .... .03
*19c, No. 387 .... .03
*29c, No. 388 .... .04
*50c, No. 389 .... .05
*100c, No. 390 .. .08
*5c, No. 391 ..... .06
6c, No. 392 ..... .05
12c, No. 393 ..... .05
5c, No. 394 ..... *.10
6c, No. 395 ..... .10
1c, No. 397 ..... .02
2c, No. 398 ..... *.10
24c, No. 400 ..... .35
1912-17
1c to 17c, Nos. 402 to 407, ea. .02
19c, No. 408 ..... .03
29c, No. 409 ..... .05
50c, No. 410 ..... .05
1col, No. 411 .... .05
10c, No. 412 ..... .05
2c, No. 415 ..... *.02
5c, No. 416 ..... .03
*12c, No. 419 .... .06
12c, No. 419 ..... .03
1c, No. 431 ..... .02
5c, No. 433 ..... .03
6c, No. 434 ..... .04
17c, No. 437 ..... .05
*5c, No. 447 ..... .25
*1c on 6c, No. 451 .15
Postage Due.
50c, No. 508 ..... .10
*25c, No. 554 .... .15
*1c, No. 555 ..... .15
*2c, No. 556 ..... .08
*3c, No. 557 ..... .25
5c, No. 558 ..... *.25
*10c, No. 559 .... .50
*1c, No. 560 ..... .15
*2c, No. 561 ..... .13
*3c, No. 562 ..... .18
*5c, No. 563 ..... .20
10c, No. 564 .... *.50
*1c to 5c, Nos. 574 to 578, ea. .02
*12c, No. 579 .... .03
*24c, No. 580 .... .06
1896-99 Official.
*10c, No. 717 .... .05
*12c, No. 718 .... .13
*15c, No. 719 .... .13
*20c, No. 720 .... .13
*24c, No. 721 .... .13
*30c, No. 722 .... .05
*50c, No. 723 .... .13
*100c, No. 724 .. .18
*1c, No. 725 ..... .75
*1c, No. 750 ..... .03
*5c, No. 751 ..... .05
5c, No. 755 ..... 2.50
2c, No. 768a ..... .50
*3c, No. 768b .... .50
*5c, No. 768c .... .60
1c, No. 788 ..... 1.50
15c, No. 840 ..... .50
25c, No. 842 ..... .50
10c, No. 853 ..... *.50
2c, No. 866a 1.50
*24c, No. 872 .... .25
*26c, No. 876 .... .20
*50c, No. 877 .... .25
1903-15 Official.
*24c, No. 887 .... .13
*50c, No. 888 .... .13
*100c, No. 889 .. .15
*3c, No. 899 .... .50
***1c to 5c, Nos.** 910 to 913, ea. .03
*10c to 50c, Nos. 914 to 918, ea. .05

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*100c, No. 919 .. .10
*1c to 100c, Nos. 920 to 929 .... 9.00
*2c to 10c, Nos. 930 to 935, ea. .02
*12c, No. 930 .... .03
*17c, No. 937 .... .03
*19c, No. 938 .... .03
*29c, No. 939 .... .04
*50c, No. 940 .... .05
*100c, No. 941 .. .06
*1c to 12c, Nos. 942 to 946, ea. .02
*13c, No. 947 .... .03
*50c, No. 948 .... .03
*1col, No. 949 ... .04
*2c to 5c, Nos. 950 to 952, ea. .02
*10c to 100c, Nos. 953 to 957, ea. .04
*1c, No. 960 ..... .03
*2c, No. 961 ..... .03
*5c, No. 962 ..... .05
*10c, No. 963 .... .06
*50c, No. 964 .... .25
*100c, No. 965 .. .50
*6c, No. 966 ..... .05
*12c, No. 967 .... .10

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2r, No. 3 ..... .25
*4r, No. 4c 3.00
2r, No. 8 ..... .25
*1r, No. 14 ..... .02
*2r, No. 15 ..... .03
*4r, No. 16 ..... .04
2r, No. 23 ..... .35
12c, No. 59 ..... .22
25c, No. 61 ..... .18
12c, No. 94 ..... .20
25c, No. 95 ..... .18
4c, No. 105 ..... .50
*50c, No. 110 .... .25
100c, No. 111 .... *.20
*5c, No. 118a .... .10
*10c, No. 119c .. .08
1c, No. 123 ..... *.15
2c, No. 124 ..... *.15
5c, No. 125 ..... .13
*10c, No. 126 .... .15
50c, No. 128 ..... *.30
85c, No. 129 ..... .63
*100c, No. 130a .. .25
*10c, No. 134a .. .06
*10c, No. 135a .. .13
50c, No. 138 ..... .75
3c, No. 142 ..... *.15
*18c, No. 145 .... .20
24c, No. 146 ..... .20
1884-99
4c, No. 153 ..... .10
6c, No. 155 ..... .07
10c, No. 156 ..... .03
25c, No. 159 ..... .30
*50c, No. 160 .... .03
*1p, No. 161 ..... .03
*2p, No. 162 ..... .06
5c, No. 169 ..... .05
2c, No. 175 ..... .03
3c, No. 176 ..... .10
*5c, No. 178 ..... .13
*6c, No. 179 ..... .20
*3c, No. 184 ..... .05
4c, No. 185 ..... .03
6c, No. 186 ..... .08
*10c, No. 187 .... .13
*2c, No. 213 ..... .04
*4c, No. 215 ..... .10
*5c, No. 216 ..... .05
6c, No. 217 ..... .03
*10c, No. 218 .... .03
20c, No. 219 ..... .05
25c, No. 220 ..... .05
*20c, No. 226 .... .50
1p, No. 302 ..... .10
1903-17
4c, No. 306 ..... .02
50c, No. 309 ..... .10
4c, No. 313 ..... .05
1p, No. 319 .... .12
*1p, No. 319 ..... .20
1c, No. 347a ..... .25
20c, No. 359 ..... .20
3c, No. 372 ..... .13
4c, No. 373 ..... .25
5c, No. 374 ..... *.08
10c, No. 375 ..... .25
*15c, No. 376 .... .25
*50c, No. 378 .... .50
*1p, No. 379 ..... 1.00
1c to 5c, Nos. 386 to 389, ea. *.02
5c, No. 396 ..... *.03
*10c, No. 397 .... .10
*20c, No. 399 .... .30
2c, No. 424 ..... *.02
3c, No. 425 ..... *.02
10c, No. 428 ..... *.05
*15c, No. 429 .... .06
20c, No. 430 ..... *.10
1p, No. 432 ..... *.50
*15c, No. 461 .... .40
20c, No. 462 ..... *.50
4c, No. 503 ..... *.04
5c, No. 504 ..... .03
10c, No. 505 ..... .03
*3c, No. 508 ..... .02
*4c, No. 509 ..... .10
40c, No. 512 ..... .05
1p, No. 513 ..... .10
*5p, No. 514 ..... .50
*2c, No. 518 ..... .03
*3c, No. 519 ..... .03
5c, No. 521 ..... *.03
50c, No. 525 ..... .35
*10c, No. 533 .... .06
20c, No. 535 ..... *.15
*3c, No. 542 ..... .02
*5c, No. 544 ..... .03
15c, No. 546 ..... .22
*3c, No. 568 ..... .03
*5c, No. 569 ..... .03
*10c, No. 570 .... .03
10c, No. 574 ..... *.12
10c on 1c (578) .02
*20c on 5c (579) .04
*25c on 5c (580) .04
*25c on 5c (584) .05
*25c on 5c (586) .05
*10c on 2c (594) .15
*20c on 4c (595) .15
*25c on 5c (596) .15
*60c on 10c (597) .15
*1p on 4c (600) .30
*1p on 5c (601) .30
*2½c on 1c (603) .13
20c, No. 614 ..... .03
30c, No. 615 ..... .08
10c, No. 621 ..... .02
40c, No. 624 ..... .08
1918 Charity.
*5c+3c, No. 731 .25
*10c+5c, No. 732 .25
1908 Postage Due.
1c, No. 1000 ..... *.10
2c, No. 1001 ..... *.10
4c, No. 1002 ..... *.10
*5c, No. 1003 .... .15
*10c, No. 1004 .. .20

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1867-93
20pa, No. 11 ..... 1.00
5pa, Nos. 22-2,ea. .10
5pa on 2½pi(27) *.40
*10pa/2½pi (28) .35
*5pa, No. 29 ..... .03
*10pa, No. 30 .... .35
10pa, No. 30 ..... .18
10pa, No. 31 ..... .30
10pa, No. 32 ..... .10
20pa, No. 33 ..... .12
2pi, No. 35 ..... .06
5pi, No. 36 ..... .35
20pa on 5pi (37) .35
*10pa, No. 38 .... .03
20pa, No. 39 ..... .07
*1pi, No. 40 ..... .06
5pi, No. 41 ..... .03
*5pi, No. 41 ..... .40
*1m, No. 42 ..... .03
*2m, No. 43 ..... .03
*5m, No. 44 ..... .06
3m, No. 45 ..... .10
3m, No. 46 ..... .02
*3m, No. 46 ..... .06
10pi, No. 48 ..... .05
*10pi, No. 48 .... .63
1906-15
4m, No. 49 ..... .02
1m to 20m, Nos. 50 to 56, each .01
50m, No. 57 ..... .03
100m, No. 58 .... .05
200m, No. 59 .... .12
2m on 3m (60) .03
Postage Due.
4m, No. 116 ..... .02
2pi, No. 118 ..... .06
Official.
1m to 1pi, Nos. 201 to 207, ea. .01
5pi, No. 208 ..... .06
5m, No. 209 ..... .03
4m, No. 211 ..... .02
1m to 5m, Nos. 212-14-16-23,ea. .02

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1a, No. 75 ..... .02
2a, No. 76 ..... .03
3a, No. 77 ..... .07
4a, No. 78 ..... .04
8a, No. 79 ..... .03
10a, No. 80 ..... .06
12a, No. 81 ..... .10
1904-15
2a, No. 84 ..... .05
4a, No. 86 ..... .12
1t, No. 100 ..... .15
2a on 24a (111) *.05
1t, No. 118 ..... .50
6s on 6a (125) .10
2s on 2a (130) .04
*3s on 3a (131) .35
3s on 3a (132) .03
*6s on 5a (135) .25
*14s on 12a(138) 1.00
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3b, No. 153 ..... 1.30
5b, No. 154 ..... 2.00
10b, No. 155 .... 4.00
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Central Ohio R.R.	32 mm.	.....	.....	Black	.....	
Charlotte & S.C. R.R.	30 mm.	.....	.....	Black	.....	Charlotte & South Carolina R. R.
Chicago & Galena Union R.R.	32 mm.	.....	.....	Black	.....	
Chi. St.P. & F. DuLac R.R.	34 mm.	.....	.....	.....	Black	Chicago, St. Paul & Fond Du Lac R. R. On cover bearing a 3c 1851 stamp but dated Sept. 2, 1858.
Cincinnati C.& C. R.R.	31 mm.	.....	.....	Black	.....	Cincinnati, Cleveland & Columbus R. R. There are probably two slightly different types of this postmark.
Cinti. Hamilton & Dayton R.R.	32 mm.	.....	.....	Blue	.....	Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton R. R. Seen only on the 1853 stamped envelopes.
Cleveland & Erie R.R.	32 mm.	.....	.....	Blue	.....	
Cleveland & Erie R.R.	32½ mm.	.....	.....	Black	Black	
Clevland & Mah. R.R.	34 mm.	.....	.....	Black	.....	Cleveland & Mahoning R. R. Note the wrong spelling of "Cleveland."
Cleveland & Pittsh.R.R.	32½ mm.	.....	.....	Black	.....	Cleveland & Pittsburgh R. R.
Cleveland & Pittsbh.R.R.	33 mm.	.....	.....	Black	.....	Cleveland & Pittsburgh R. R.
Forwarded by C.& P.H. Rail Road	40x26 mm.	.....	.....	Red	.....	Clinton & Port Hudson R. R. Oval Double lined frame. No date.
Concord & Montreal R.R.	34 mm.	.....	Blue*	.....	.....	
Concord & Montreal R.R.	32½ mm.	.....	.....	Blue	.....	
Conn.River R.R.	32½ mm.	.....	.....	.....	Black	Connecticut River R. R.
Cumb. Valley R.R.	34 mm.	.....	.....	.....	Black	Cumberland Valley R. R.
Danbury & Norwalk R.R.	32 mm.	.....	.....	Black	.....	
Detroit & Milke. R.R.	35 mm.	.....	.....	.....	Black	Detroit & Milwaukee R. R. See also "Milwke. & Detroit R. R."
E. T. & G. R.R.	32 mm.	.....	.....	Black	.....	East Tennessee & Georgia R. R. Seen only on 1853 issue stamped envelopes. I am not entirely sure of this one.
East Tennessee & Va.R.R.	35 mm.	.....	.....	Black*	.....	East Tennessee & Virginia R. R. Seen only on 1853 issue stamped envelopes.
Eastern R.R.	32 mm.	.....	Blue	Blue Black Red	Blue Black*	There are two slightly different types of this postmark.
Eastern R.R. Ms.	34 mm.	.....	Blue*	Blue	Blue	"Ms." means Massachusetts.
Express Mail Boston	32 mm.	.....	.....	Red*	.....	Seen used Sep. 17, 1855, on a cover from Boston, Mass., to West (Subec ?), Maine. Probably not a railroad cancellation, but listed here with the other express mail cancellations for convenience.
Express Mail St. John	32 mm.	.....	.....	Black	.....	Probably Canadian. On a cover without stamps. From St. Johns, New Brunswick, to New York City. Probably not a railroad cancellation, but listed here with the other express mail cancellations for convenience.
Great Western R.R. Ill.	30 mm.	.....	.....	.....	Blue	"Ill." means Illinois. Seen only on 1853 issue stamped envelopes, but dated June 20, 1857.
Greenville & Columbia R.R.	32 mm.	.....	.....	Red Black	.....	
Harlem R.R.N.Y.	34 mm.	.....	.....	Red Black	.....	
Housatonic Rail Road 5	31 mm.	.....	Red	.....	.....	Circular postmark. No date. Name appears between two circles. Large "5" in the center. Inner circle, 16 mm. May possibly be two types of this postmark.
Housatonic Rail Road 5	30½ mm.	.....	Red	.....	.....	Circular postmark. No date. Large "5" in center.
Housatonic Rail Road 5	30 mm.	.....	Red	.....	.....	Circular postmark. No date. Name appears between two circles. Large "5" in the center. Inner circle 17½ mm.
Housatonic Rail Road 5	28 mm.	.....	Red*	.....	.....	Circular postmark. Name appears between two circles. No date. Large "5" in center. Inner circle 17 mm.
Housatonic R.R.	34 mm.	.....	Red	Brown Black Red	Black	
Housatonic R.R.	32½ mm.	.....	Red	Black	Black	
Kent. Housatonic R.R.	35x25 mm.	.....	.....	Black	Black	Oval. Name of town at top.
Kent Housatonic R.R.	34x26 mm.	.....	.....	.....	Black	Oval. Name of town at top.
——- Housatonic R.R.	?	.....	.....	Black	Black	Oval. Name of town at top. At least one (not Kent) exists.
Hudson River R.R.	30 mm.	.....	.....	Red	Black	
Illinois Central R.R.	30 mm.	.....	.....	Black	.....	
Ill.C.R.R.From De Soto	30½ mm.	.....	.....	Black	.....	Illinois Central R. R. Shows year date.
Ill. C.R.R.From Maroa	30½ mm.	.....	.....	.....	Black*	Illinois Central R. R. Shows year date.
Ill.C.R.R.From Tamaroa	30½ mm.	.....	.....	.....	Black	Illinois Central R. R. Shows year date.
Indianopolis & Bellefontaine R.R.	32 mm.	.....	.....	Black*	.....	Seen only on 1853 issue stamped envelope. Note wrong spelling of Indianapolis.
Kenebeck & Portland R.R.	33 mm.	.....	.....	Black	.....	
Kentucky Central R.R.	34 mm.	.....	.....	.....	Black*	
Lacka. & Western R.R.	32 mm.	.....	Ultra-marine	.....	.....	Not entirely sure of this one. On an undated cover but probably 1847 period. Lackawanna & Western R.R.
Lebanon Valley R.R.	34 mm.	.....	.....	.....	Black	
Lehigh Valley R.R.	36 mm.	.....	.....	Black	.....	Seen only on 1853 issue stamped envelopes.
Little Miami R.R.	32 mm.	.....	Red*	Red	.....	
L.I. Rail Road N.Y. 5cts.	29 mm.	.....	Red*	.....	.....	"L.I. Rail Road N.Y." is between two circles. "5 cts."—2 mm. high—in the center. Date (month & day) written in by hand below the "5 cts." Inner circle 19½ mm.
L.I. Rail Road N.Y. 5	29 mm.	.....	Red* Black	.....	.....	"L.I. Railroad N.Y." is between two circles. Large "5" in the center. Date (month and day) written in by hand below the "5." Inner circle 19½ mm.

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